

The regular meeting of the Midland County Road Commission was called to order by Clerk Brenda Gordert on Thursday, January 9, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. at the Road Commission office.

Present: Mike Atton, Chairman
Al Kloha, Vice Chairman
Jim Hyatt, Commission Member
Jon Myers, Managing Director
Art Buck, Superintendent
Russ Inman, Design Engineer
Brenda Gordert, Finance Director
Ben Mead, Facilities Manager
Jeff Brown, Construction Technician
Ashley Rockefeller, GIS Technician

Absent: None

Public Present: Maria Sandow, Larkin Township Supervisor; Jeanette Snyder, Midland County Board of Commissioners; Laura Dawson, Lee Township Clerk.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said

The Clerk called for Election of Board Officers for 2020.

Moved by Commissioner Hyatt and seconded by Commissioner Kloha to nominate Commissioner Atton for Chairman of the Board of County Road Commissioners, County of Midland, for the ensuring year.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Atton, Kloha

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Moved by Commissioner Atton and seconded by Commissioner Hyatt to nominate Commissioner Kloha for Vice-Chairman of the Board of County Road Commissioners, County of Midland, for the ensuring year.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Atton, Kloha

Nays: None

Motion Carried

At this time, 9:05 a.m., the Clerk turned the meeting over to Chairman Atton.

Moved by Commissioner Hyatt and seconded by Commissioner Kloha that the depository of the Midland County Road Commission will be Chemical Bank. For investment, the Road Commission may use Chemical Bank or any other entity that the Clerk of the Road Commission or the County Treasurer uses for the ensuing year. All investments will comply with Public Act 20, as amended.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Atton, Hyatt, Kloha

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Moved by Commissioner Atton and seconded by Commissioner Hyatt that the Midland Daily News, but not limited to, be the official register for its publications, such as meeting date changes, bids, notices, etc.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Kloha, Hyatt, Atton

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Additions to Agenda:

New Business: New Employees

Approval of Minutes:

Moved by Commissioner Kloha and seconded by Commissioner Hyatt to approve the minutes of the December 19, 2019 meeting.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Atton, Hyatt, Kloha

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Public Comment:

None

Approval of Open Accounts:

The pre-pay for December 24, 2019 was discussed.

Moved by Commissioner Kloha and seconded by Commissioner Hyatt to approve payment for the payroll and open accounts for December 24, 2019 in the amount of \$972,151.79.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Kloha, Atton

Nays: None

Motion Carried

The pre-pay for January 9, 2020 was discussed.

Moved by Commissioner Kloha and seconded by Commissioner Hyatt to approve payment for the payroll and open accounts for January 9, 2020 in the amount of \$634,278.19.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Kloha, Atton

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Correspondence and Items of Information:

The CRA Highway conference will be held March 10-12 in Lansing, registrations are due February 22, 2020.

Permit listing was reviewed

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

East Central Council meeting will be held on January 16, 2020 in Bay County.

The 2020 Board Meeting scheduled was presented and discussion ensued. Meetings will be held every other Thursday at 9:00 am unless authorized by the Board.

Moved by Commissioner Kloha and seconded by Commissioner Hyatt to approve 2020 meeting schedule as presented.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Atton, Kloha, Hyatt

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Discussion was held on open positions within the crew. Foreman Doug Hobbs will be retiring in April and the position of Service Man/Mechanic Helper is open.

Moved by Commissioner Kloha and seconded by Commissioner Hyatt to hire two new employees to fill the open positions.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Atton, Kloha

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Miscellaneous:

None

Staff Reports:

Ben stated the mechanics are building a barricade rack for the sign truck.

He stated the new dump trucks were delivered this week.

He is demoing a brush chipper.

He stated the LED lights in the salt barn are completed and working great.

Art stated Monroe Road bridge project is at a stand still until weather breaks and deck can be poured.

The Redstone Road bridge project started this week.

He is starting to get information ready for material and consultant bid opening in the spring.

Jon stated he has been going through files and talking with other Road Commissions.

He has been going out on the road and getting familiar with job sites.

He has received a couple new emails on Swede Road extension and has discussed with the lawyer.

Russ stated the final report on the US10 interchange at Waldo Road has been completed with all responses.

Jeff Brown started on Monday, January 6th, he is the new Road Commission Construction Technician.

Jeff stated he has been busy getting familiar with daily routines and job sites. He is working on year end stock pile inventories and will be attending a concrete re-recertification class next week.

Commissioner Atton stated he has received a few phone calls regarding the water on Eastman Road in Larkin Township. He commented it will have to be monitored during the winter months.

Meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Atton at 9:30 a.m. until Thursday, January 23, 2020.

Brenda Gordert, Finance Director

Mike Atton, Chairman