

The regular meeting of the Midland County Road Commission was called to order by Chairman Atton on Thursday, June 11, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. via conference call due to COVID-19 restrictions.

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

Absent: Jon Myers, Managing Director

Public Present: Jeanette Snyder, Midland County Board of Commissioners; Laura Dawson, Lee Township Clerk

**The Pledge of Allegiance was said**

**Additions to Agenda:**

None

**Approval of Minutes:**

Moved by Commissioner Kloha and seconded by Commissioner Hyatt to approve the minutes of the May 28, 2020 meeting.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Atton, Kloha

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Moved by Commissioner Hyatt and seconded by Commissioner Kloha to approve the minutes of the June 4, 2020 meeting.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Koha, Hyatt, Atton

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**Public Comment:**

Jeanette Snyder stated Representative Annette Glenn will be holding a news conference today at 4:00 pm in Sanford to unveil legislation to allocate millions from the disaster emergency contingency fund for Midland and Sanford.

**Approval of Open Accounts:**

The pre-pay for June 11, 2020 was discussed.

Moved by Commissioner Kloha and seconded by Commissioner Hyatt to approve payment for the payroll and open accounts for June 11, 2020 in the amount of \$377,297.10.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Atton, Kloha, Hyatt

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**Flood Update:**

The county wide damage assessments were turned into FEMA last week for \$3.3 million and FHWA roads were estimated at \$24.17 million in damages. Totals could increase as we continue to experience culvert failures and road damages. Damages in the Village of Sanford are estimated at just over \$18 million. We are repairing the smaller project as allowable. Temporary fixes are being made until funding is available for permanent repairs. The contractor is going to start debris removal on Curtis Road bridge next week.

**Correspondence and Items of Information:**

None

## **Permit listing was reviewed**

### **Unfinished Business:**

None

### **New Business:**

State Infrastructure Bank (SIB) Loan initial application was presented and discussed. Typically these loans cap at \$2 million with a 0% interest rate for the first two years. Our request will be for \$4 million due to the extent of damages.

Moved by Commissioner Hyatt and seconded by Commissioner Kloha to apply for a State Infrastructure Bank Loan of up to \$4 million.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Atton, Kloha

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

### **Miscellaneous:**

None

### **Staff Reports:**

Art stated the crews are busy working on repairing the smaller flood projects and we had a few trees down yesterday during high winds that had to be cleaned up.

Art and Jeff had a meeting with the Luke from the DEQ and visited a couple flood sites, he is onboard for fast tracking permits to help speed up flood repairs.

Russ stated he has finalized the certification maps. Major change is Laporte Road is now a local road and Tittabawassee is now a primary road.

There is a precon meeting next week for the Eastman Road project and the scope has changed. The limits will be from Monroe Road south to the City. The final two miles north of Monroe will be completed within three years.

The ROW for the Freeland/Sasse Road roundabout has been agreed upon and he is finalizing the paperwork with the property owners.

Jeff stated the 7 Mile Road bridge is being paved today, guardrail will be installed next week.

Monroe Road bridge contractor is applying a concrete surface coating today.

Redstone Road bridge is being paved today, guardrail next week and then open to public.

Gordonville, Salt River, and Dickenson have been paved and should gravel will be completed tomorrow.

He has been processing quite a few ROW permits this week.

Ashley stated she has mapped out the flood projects for FHWA and FEMA.

She has started putting out the traffic counters this week.

The county road map update will be finalized soon and after the proof comes back updated maps will be printed.

Ben stated the mower tractors are all out working, they are doing a great job.

The mechanics have been busy doing some brake jobs, making air conditioner repairs and they installed cross-conveyors on the trucks to work on shoulder repairs.

His on-call weekend was busy with sink hole reports from 911 as a result from the flood.

Meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Atton at 9:30 a.m. until Thursday, June 25, 2020.

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Brenda Gordert, Finance Director

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Mike Atton, Chairman