

The regular meeting of the Midland County Road Commission was called to order by Chairman Atton on Wednesday, September 2, 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
Jon Myers, Managing Director
Brenda Gordert, Finance Director
Art Buck, Superintendent
Russ Inman, Design Engineer
Ashley Rockefeller, GIS Technician
Ben Mead, Facilities Manager
Jeff Brown, Construction Technician

Absent: None

Public Present: Jeanette Snyder, Midland County Board of Commissioners; Maria Sandow, Larkin Township Supervisor; 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 August 19, 2020 meeting.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Atton, Kloha

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Public Comment:

None

Approval of Open Accounts:

The pre-pay for September 3, 2020 was discussed.

Moved by Commissioner Hyatt and seconded by Commissioner Kloha to approve payment for the payroll and open accounts for September 3, 2020 in the amount of \$572,213.66.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Atton, Kloha, Hyatt

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Correspondence and Items of Information:

Discussion was held on the public hearing scheduled for September 17 for public comment on the 11 Mile Road proposed abandonment. Due to time restraints, minimum of 30 day notice, meeting will be rescheduled.

Moved by Commissioner Kloha and seconded by Hyatt to reschedule public hearing for October 14th, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Kloha, Atton

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Permit listing was reviewed

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

The MERS annual retirement meeting will be held virtually this year September 21-24.

Moved by Commissioner Hyatt and seconded by Commissioner Kloha to appoint Brenda Gordert, Finance Director as voting delegate.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Atton, Hyatt, Kloha

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Jon stated federal funding has been approved through the USDA emergency watershed program and the representatives were great to work with. The paperwork is being finalized and contracts will need signatures.

Moved by Commissioner Kloha and seconded by Commissioner Hyatt to authorize Jon Myers, Managing Director to sign contracts on behalf of Midland County Road Commission.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Kloha, Atton

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Miscellaneous:

None

Staff Reports:

Jon stated he met with FEMA on Monday and is working through the grants portal submitting information.

He stated DDIR's have been submitted to FHWA but he is not seeing much progress.

He stated the Village of Sanford temporary work has been approved by FHWA.

Art stated the chip seal contractor started last week and is waiting for weather to clear before they fog seal.

He stated the 22A road gravel is being spread on the five recon paving projects, the pulverizer will be in on September 14th and paving is scheduled for the first of October.

The 23A road gravel spreads are being scheduled with Fisher.

Art said we have two large drainage projects that are 50% complete and we have many smaller projects waiting to be started.

He stated we have a truck and trailer assisting with hauling materials in the Village of Sanford for the rest of the week.

He stated the Meridian Road bridge just south of Kent Road is completed and open to traffic.

Russ stated he has been reviewing a lot of flood paperwork to confirm numbers.

Jon stated Russ has been helping out Sanford quite a bit with their flood paperwork.

Jeff stated the contractor is continuing to work on the northbound lane on Eastman Road and hopes to be on the southbound lane in a couple weeks.

The contractor has two more locations to complete of the 13 locations from 2017 flood, Coleman Road over the Salt Creek and Barden Road just east of Coleman.

He stated he has been working on DTE EGLE permits and DTE cross-culvert right-of-way permits.

Ben stated truck build #638 is completed and work has begun on #640.

He stated the one-ton truck ordered from Garber Chevrolet should arrive in about 1 month.

He stated Truck & Trailer is still waiting on parts from Monroe to build our swap loader truck.

Jeanette Snyder thanked the staff and crew for going above and beyond and helping out the Village of Sanford during the flood and the cleanup process.

Laura Dawson thanked the Road Commission for the temporary traffic signals on 8 Mile and 9 Mile during construction.

Maria Sandow thanked the Road Commission for the hard work on Eastman Road and feels it is moving along well.

Meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Atton at 9:25 a.m. until Thursday, September 17, 2020.

Brenda Gordert, Finance Director

Mike Atton, Chairman