

The regular meeting of the Midland County Road Commission was called to order by Chairman Atton on Thursday, March 17, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. at the Midland County Road Commission office.

Present: Mike Atton, Chairman
Jim Hyatt, Vice Chairman
Bruce Clark, Commission Member
Jon Myers, Managing Director
Russ Inman, Design Engineer
Brenda Gordert, Finance Director/Clerk
Ben Mead, Facilities Manager
Absent: Art Buck, Superintendent
Donna Lowe, Finance Director
Jeff Brown, Construction Technician
Ashley Hiles, GIS Technician

Public Present: Jeanette Snyder, Midland County Board of Commissioners; Maria Sandow, Larkin Township Supervisor, attended virtually.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said

Additions to Agenda:

None

Approval of Minutes:

Moved by Commissioner Hyatt and seconded by Commissioner Clark to approve the minutes of the March 3, 2022, meeting.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Clark, Atton, Hyatt

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Public Comment:

None

Approval of Open Accounts:

The pre-pay for March 17, 2022, was discussed.

Moved by Commissioner Hyatt and seconded by Commissioner Clark to approve payment for the payroll and open accounts for March 17, 2022, in the amount of \$376,782.73.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Clark, Hyatt, Atton

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Correspondence and Items of Information:

None

Permit listing was reviewed

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

Discussion was held on candidate projects for the fiscal year 2025 Local Bridge Program.

Moved by Commissioner Clark and seconded by Commissioner Hyatt to submit applications for FY2025 Local Bridge Funding and offer the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of County Road Commissioners, County of Midland, has reviewed the 2021 applications for FY2025 Local Bridge Program funding.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Road Commissioners, County of Midland, actively seek Federal and State participation with the following structures, listed in priority:

- Replacement of Shaffer Road over Bluff Creek, Warren Township sections 22/27, structure #6939 with a 10% local match.
- Replacement of Smiths Crossing Road over Jo Drain, Ingersoll Township, sections 14/15, structure #6961 with a 10% local match.
- Rehabilitation of Pine River Road over Pine River, Homer Township, sections 24/25, structure #6935 with a 10% local match
- Preventive Maintenance work on four (4) structures including:
 - 8 Mile Road over Chippewa River, Lee Township, sections 22/23, structure #6948
 - Geneva Road over Big Salt River, Geneva Township, sections 15/16, structure #6964
 - Geneva Road over Chippewa River, Greendale Township, section 15/16, structure #6967
 - Perrine Road over Sturgeon Creek, Larkin Township, section 30, structure #6998

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Atton, Clark

Nays: None

Resolution Adopted

Staff Reports:

Jon stated the County Road Association Highway Conference was last week and both projects we submitted were selected for Impress Awards and we also won the People's Choice Award. Brenda was nominated by Jon and Russ and received a distinguished service award.

He is attending the bridge conference this week and will finish up with that today.

The payroll clerk position has been advertised and applications are starting to come in.

We are wrapping up the design projects for this year.

MDOT has requested information for the Meridian Road bridges for a presentation to turn over Meridian Road to them.

Russ stated he attended the CRA Conference last week and it was very good.

He attended the MPO meeting this week.

He will have the certification maps ready for approval at the next board meeting.

Ben stated the brush cutter will be completed today and the crew will go over to pick it up tomorrow or Monday.

He is still talking with Birch Tank on a quotation for a new brine tanker.

He stated he worked with D & K Truck for a couple hours yesterday on the pricing for the new tandem plow trucks. He is looking at converting one of the snowplow trucks for purchase in 2023 to a semi-truck. In order to complete the conversion he needs to finalize the order in the next 30 days.

The delivery time on the stockroom cabinets and shelving is 15 weeks.

He has received quotes on a new roller and prices are coming in a little higher than budget. He is looking into the option of a used roller.

The mechanics are starting to take some of the wing plows off the snowplow trucks.

Brenda thanked everyone involved for the distinguished service award. It was a great honor, very much appreciated, and quite a surprise. The CRA conference was very informational.

Commissioner Snyder stated Bill Bailey attended the County Board of Commissioners meeting on Tuesday and presented a history of the Bailey Bridge. It will officially be referred to as Bailey Bridge over Smiths Crossing.

Commissioner Snyder also stated with the new dam in Sanford there will be increased flowage rates that may affect some of our bridges and wanted to make the Road Commission aware.

Commissioner Hyatt stated Jon did a great job on his presentation at the CRA Conference. He discussed the Gordonville Road bridge and stated the rails are coming apart and the dip seems to be all the way across the bridge. Jon stated the rails are due to the fact it was hit by a car recently. He is going to get Surveying Solutions Incorporated to do a lidar scan of the bridge for comparison to monitor the dip.

Meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Atton at 9:30 a.m. until Thursday, March 31, 2022.

Brenda Gordert, Finance Director

Mike Atton, Chairman