

## MINUTES

Chairman Matiash called the July 27, 2017 meeting of the Mason County Road Commission held in their office at 510 E State Street, Scottville, MI to order at 10:00 am.

Members present: Matiash, Robidoux and Schwass, Manager/Director Schoonover, Secretary Samuels and Superintendent Moody. Absent: None

Visitors: Dick Alway from Amber Township requesting an update on Victory Corners Road. Per Superintendent Moody the gravel is all placed on the Amber Township portion and will be ready for fine grading. Mr. Alway also wondered when Gordon Road would get started which will be in two to three weeks. Are waiting for the cables to be moved. There was some discussion on other minor road issues.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Schwass seconded by Robidoux to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Conflicts: None

The minutes of the July 13, 2017 regular meeting were discussed:

Motion by Robidoux seconded by Schwass to approve the minutes as presented  
Ayes all. Motion carried.

The Board took the following action after reviewing the accounts payable and payroll.

Motion by Schwass seconded by Robidoux to approve accounts payable for ck #75540 thru ck#75575 for \$221,047.60, and approve Payroll #15 for July 27, 2017 for \$63,071.09

At 10:03 am the Board looked over the contingent liability and revenue sheet.

**Superintendent's Report:** Working on an aggregate project in Sherman Township on Benson Road off of Dewey. Has been completed except for seeding. Victory corners Aggregate on Decker Road North will be starting. The south end is complete. Will be ready to pave in another week. Crack sealing and edging on Local and Primary Roads in preparation for bituminous surfaces. Second round of brining has been completed. No more scheduled until Labor Day. Some cold patching and the tree crew has been out for a couple of days. Are mowing gravels, blading and aggregate patching. The Cat Excavator is out on township drainage projects and also local maintenance. Sweeping for a couple of days and using the tiller. Extra help in the shop.

**Shop Foreman Report:** None

## Manager/Director Report:

### Engineering

- Hansen Rd, Dennis Rd to Stiles Rd: Awaiting final cross sections from contractor to substantiate quantity adjustments. (C&D Hughes Bid: \$808,709.98. 80% Federal STP, 20% State D. Progress Clause: Completion date of on or before June 23, 2017)
- Hansen Rd, W. of Gordon Rd to 0.8 mi W of US-31: Awaiting several approvals from SHPO and USFWS. Final plans are being assembled. (\$485K STP, \$300K State D).
- 2017 Pavement Marking: South end of County – Appearing as Item 34 in the August 4<sup>th</sup> Letting. (Estimate: \$43,748, 100% Fed STP)
- Stephens Rd over Big Sauble Bridge: Pre-Construction meeting was held Northwest Design Group and with J. E. Kloote Contracting, Inc. A Progress Schedule was submitted with a July 27<sup>th</sup> detour start and November 30<sup>th</sup> Completion Date, but an August 7<sup>th</sup> Start Date was discussed. A 7-day advance notice was requested. (Bid: \$746,162.50. 80% Fed, 15% State, 5% Local. Progress Schedule: Completion date of on or before November 30, 2017.)
- Decker/Stephens Rds over S Br Lincoln River/Frog Paradise Drain: Wonsey Tree Service, Inc has not yet received Award due to lack of appropriate paperwork. A Progress Schedule has been submitted with a September 11<sup>th</sup> Start Date, Open to Traffic October 24<sup>th</sup>, and November 30<sup>th</sup> Completion. (Bid: \$608,783.52. 80% Fed, 15% State, 5% Local. Progress Schedule: Completion date: Open to Traffic by October 27, 2017, and completion by November 30, 2017.)
- Darr Rd Bridges over the North and South Branch of Lincoln River: *No change in status.* TS&L Plans are nearing submittal stage. 2018 Construction.
- Custer Rd Bridge over PM River Deck Rehabilitation: *No change in status.* TS&L plans being developed.

### Informational Items

- Design Engineer/ Senior Engineer Tech: Posted on our website and CRA, advertised currently in the Mason County Press, Ludington, Manistee and Oceana papers and appearing this weekend in Traverse City, Grand Rapids and Muskegon.
- MCRCSIP: At-Large Position tie-breaker vote canceled, John Rogers, Kalkaska CRC appointed.
- Consumers Super Move: Tree trimming is occurring this week for a super move to the Pump Storage Project
- HMA Paving projects are approximately 78% completed (89% Local, 67% Primary).
- MDOT Diagnostic Study Team Review (DSTR): A DSTR was called for the First Street Crossing with Marquette Rail, LLC. With no crash history, good sight distance and low ADT, the current passive warning devices are working as intended. No changes are proposed.
- Facilities, Site and Environmental Assessment: *No change in status.* I have received preliminary reports of the asbestos report and lead paint report. Awaiting remaining reports: MEP (Mechanical/Electrical/Plumbing); Architectural; and completed Environmental. Final proofing and completed report is expected in soon.
- Brine Pond Update: A conference call with the environmental insurance underwriter, Rothwell Ltd Risk Management, our counsel and myself was held a week ago Friday to discuss boundary of property lease, scope of work, and existing BEA's and closure letters. The updated proposal is approx. \$6,900 plus applicable taxes and fees per year and will be required during the Access Agreement.
- US Forest Service, Indian Bridge: The USFS has accepted SCE's Proposal to provide a feasibility study regarding the raising of Indian Bridge (SN 6670) on Reek Road for \$4,590. This will be a pass-through expense with the US Forest Service within the confines of our existing agreement (US Forest Agreement #17-RO-11090400-25).

- Household Hazardous Waste: August 19<sup>th</sup>, 9am -2pm, Household Waste/Clean Sweep/Appliance/Electronic & Pharmaceutical Collection

**Under unfinished business the following was discussed**

1. Approve Township Projects-See Motion

**Under new business the following was discussed**

1. Approve Pavement Marking Contract with MDOT-See Motion
2. The next Paul Bunyan Meeting is planned for August 17<sup>th</sup> at McGuire's.
3. CRA 2018 Legislative Priorities will be discussed at the next regular meeting and at the Paul Bunyan Meeting.
4. Resolution from Riverton Township regarding Primary Roads-See Motion

**Items Requiring Board Action**

**Approve Pavement Marking Contract with MDOT**

Motion by Robidoux seconded by Schwass to enter into a contract with MDOT for pavement marking installation work along various federal-aid routes countywide; and altogether with necessary related work, and to authorize Chairman Matiash and Vice Chairman Robidoux to sign the contract. Control Section STL 53141, Job number 130475A, Project STP 1753(004), Federal Item JJ 5663 and contract number 17-5347. Estimated cost is \$43,800 Federal Funds of \$43,800.00. MCRC Share -0-

Ayes: Matiash, Robidoux and Schwass

Nays: None Motion carried

**Approve Township Projects 07-27-2017**

Motion by Schwass seconded by Robidoux to enter into the following contracts with the various Townships and to authorize the Manager Director and the Clerk to sign on behalf of the board. Ayes all. Motion carried.

**Eden Township 2017**

**Eden Lake Road** from Hawley Road South for .75 miles. Minor Grading and placement of slag. Total Cost \$26,225.00.

**Grant Township 2017**

**Free Soil Road** from LaSalle Road Easterly to US-31 for 1.01 miles. Place HMA Overlay. Total Cost \$30,000.00.

**Resolution from Riverton Township Regarding Primary Road Repair**

Motion by Robidoux seconded by Schwass to acknowledge receipt of a resolution from Riverton Township requesting the MCRC begin repairs and/or reconstruction on the Primary Roads in Riverton Township and to place on file. The MCRC will also make arrangements to meet with the Township Board to discuss. Ayes all. Motion carried.

**The next regular meeting is scheduled for August 10, 2017 at 10:00 am.**

**There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:34 am.**

  
Mary Samuels Secretary

  
Nick Matiash Chairman