

## MINUTES

Chairman Robidoux called the September 10, 2018 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: Robidoux, Schwass and Matiash, Interim Manager/Director/Secretary Samuels, County Highway Engineer Nelson, and Superintendent Moody. Absent: None

Visitors: Scott Heath, Jack Mickevich, Mark A Kazmierski, John Mickevich and David Briggs to discuss the Darr Road Abandonment Petition.

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

Conflicts: None

The minutes of the August 27, 2018 regular meeting were discussed

Motion by Matiash 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 Matiash seconded by Schwass to approve accounts payable for September 6, 2018 for ck#76918 thru ck #76973 for \$232,629.61 and pre-approve Payroll #19 for September 20, 2018.

Ayes all. Motion carried.

At 10:04 am the Board looked over the contingent liability and revenue sheet.

**Superintendents Report;** Storm cleanup all last week. Continue working on LaSalle Road finishing up the gravel and starting to haul topsoil. Will be starting a couple of slag jobs this week on Conrad and Eden Lake Roads. Rath Road in Hamlin township has been cleared and stumped. Will haul slag as time allows. Begin brining Sheridan Township today. This is the last of the brining projects for this year. Lots of tree work due to storm. Had had two tree crews with the loader out most days. Still many trees to clean up. Some cold patching and fixing some washouts. Blading and bit edging. Anthony "Road cross culverts are in and are starting the ditching and drainage work today. Working on the Decker and Stephens Road wash out today. Will be placing a new down spout. Repairing some washouts on Hansen Road and repairing shoulders placing mulch blanket where needed. Mowing as time allows. Three new employees are being trained on blading, flagging and cleaning the rest area. They are all doing very well.

**Shop Foreman Report**-No report

### **County Highway Engineers Report**

- **2018 County Wide Chip Seal:** Chip seals are completed for 2018.
- **2018 County Wide Pavement Marking:** All roads that can be painted are painted to date. MPM will need to return to mark the chip seal roads and HMA roads.
- **County Wide Paser ratings:** Paser Ratings completed for 2018.

- **2018 HMA paving:** As of Tuesday, 9-4-2018 there is a Labor dispute for the Local 324 Operating Engineers. About 40 Union Contractors have “locked out” their Union Operators preventing them from working. Rieth-Riley is one of the Union Contractors. Received a Letter from Rieth-Riley requesting an extension of time & possible additional compensation. I will respond agreeing to the extension of time if Rieth-Riley will hold the contract unit prices and there will be no additional cost to the MCRC.
- **Darr Rd Bridges over the North and South Branch of Lincoln River:** As of Tuesday, 9-4-2018 there is a Labor dispute for the Local 324 Operating Engineers. About 40 Union Contractors have “locked out” their Union Operators preventing them from working. Hardman Construction is one of the Union Contractors. Received a Letter from Hardman Construction requesting an extension of time & possible additional compensation. MDOT sent out a suggested response for all notices of Claims. I responded to Hardman Construction with the suggested wording. **Anthony Rd Design:** MCRC has disked the edges of the road and installing cross culverts. DEQ Permits have been reviewed and 4 of the 4 crossings were approved. Josh has resubmitted the 4 culverts crossings permits. All cross culverts have been delivered and all drive culverts including the 12” drive culverts. MCRC will be working on ditches and shoulders after cross culverts are installed. Hired CIS to help reshape ditches with a Dozer. Working on Construction staking of new CL alignment for roadway. Approximately 2.25 miles has been staked, Josh is staking the remainder today. Received bids for Aggregate Materials for Anthony Road. Recommend award to Schultz Excavating to furnish, load, haul & spread dump for \$13.25 per ton. The MCRC may need to put \$ down to secure the pile due to the Labor dispute.
- **Morton Road, South of Anthony Road:** DEQ permit was received this week. The 50’ long 83 x 57” arch culvert was delivered and ready to install.
- **Decker/Stephens Rds over S Br Lincoln River/Frog Paradise Drain:** Washout on SE quadrant got much worse. Talked to MDOT and decided to fix the washout with MCRC forces. The Original washout would have been paid as extra work. Now the washout has eroded the HMA. MCRC will pour a concrete spillway & downspout & patch the HMA. Notified OHM & Wosney that the MCRC will fix the washout. Final paperwork remains to close out the project. (Wosney Tree Service Bid: \$608,783.52. 80% Fed, 15% State, 5% Local.)
- **Hansen Rd, W. of Gordon Rd to 0.8 mi W of US-31:** Bump grinding today about 11:00PAM. Punch list will be 100% completed after today. Final quantities are being worked on along with MDOT files and As-Built plans. (C & D Hughes, Inc.: \$657,725.79. 80% Federal STP, 20% State D. Progress schedule: Open to traffic on or before July 14, 2018 with completion date of November 3, 2018.)
- **Hoague Rd:** HMA pulverization was completed for the 300’ section over the muck hole. The 300’ section will remain gravel until MCRC places the sand lift, geotextile, aggregate & geogrid. Decided to not crush any existing HMA roads until the Labor dispute is resolved.
- **2019 US-31 to Sugar Grove** – I will send a letter to MDOT regarding detour route of Stiles, Sugar Grove, & Scottville Road 60% MDOT 40% MCRC.
- **Custer Rd Bridge over PM River Deck Rehab:** Bridge is open to traffic. Inspection & load ratings have been reported to MDOT. Needs final inspections and possible punch list items. (Milbocker and Sons, Inc: \$852,279.11. 80% Federal STP, 15% State Bridge. Progress schedule: Open to traffic on or before 8-11-18.)
- **2017 Hansen Road & Pavement Marking** – Josh is working on final paperwork for MDOT.
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- **Amber Road Crushed Concrete Pit.** – MCRC needs to topo the 21AA aggregate pile and get with Bob with final total of crushed concrete that we are purchasing. Estimate about 12,000 to 13,000 additional tons to be purchased.

## **Manager/Director Report**

### **Informational Items**

- Working on Township Folders for 2019 Projects. Will be including the 2017 Paser Ratings for each township local roads.
- Completed the Reek Road and Meyers Road Abandonment's. All reports have been filed and given to Ted to remove from the certification maps.
- Sent the list of speed limit signs needing TCO's to Trooper Davis. Waiting on a response from him.
- Purchased a 55" Television for the break room.
- Have had several sign requests that we are working on.
- Ted continues working on updating the Certification Maps. He is making very good progress.
- Spoke with the realtor on Thursday and they have not received any response from Mrs. Etchison regarding the possible purchase of the property next door to the MCRC.
- The staff has met and discussed the need to prioritize the remaining township projects for 2018. Due to the heavy storms and the Lock Out, it is unlikely that our paving projects will be completed.
- Need to discuss the progress, or lack thereof for the brine pond. Suggest doing a sight plan study at the Montrose pit for the feasibility of constructing a pond there, and a new facility for the MCRC.

### **Under unfinished business the following was discussed**

1. MCRCSIP Refund Received of \$24,217.00
2. Approve Gravel Bids for Anthony Road-See Motion

### **Under new business the following was discussed**

1. Darr Road Abandonment-discussion-See Motion
2. Lock Out started on Tuesday September 4, 2018. Expect delays on completing our paving projects.

### **Items Requiring Board Action:**

#### **Approve Gravel Bids for Anthony Road**

Motion by Schwass seconded by Matiash to approve the Aggregate bid for Anthony Road from low bidder Schultz Excavating for 6,000 Tons @ \$13.25 per ton for \$79,500.00 providing they are able to secure the pile of crushed concrete until June of next year if required. If they are unable to fulfill their bid according to the terms the bid will be awarded to 2<sup>nd</sup> low bidder Peterson & Sons LLC for 6000 ton crushed concrete @\$14.45 per ton for a total cost of \$86,700.00. Ayes all. Motion carried.


**Approve Abandonment Request for Darr Road**

Motion by Schwass seconded by Matiash to approve the abandonment request for Darr Road from ¼ mile south of Fountain Road to Mavis Road, contingent upon receiving a newly drafted easement for the county drain (Freeman Drain) to the road commission that was originally drafted on June 24, 1915. Ayes: Robidoux, Schwass and Matiash. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**The next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday September 27, 2018 at 10:00 am.**

**There being** no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 am.

  
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Mary Samuels Secretary

  
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Doug Robidoux Chairman