

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
ALPENA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION**

July 22, 2024

The Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Alpena met in special session on the above date to discuss the Lake Winyah Road agreement, to amend Policy #072, and to adopt a resolution for MDOT for the use of Ossineke Road as a detour route. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Gerald Lucas, at 3:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Lucas, MacArthur, and Spaulding.
Absent: None.

Staff present: Ryan Brege, Managing Director; John Bygden, Superintendent; Julia Patterson, Finance Director/Board Secretary.

Others Present: Dan Florip, Road Commission Attorney; and Bill LaHaie, Alpena County Commissioner.

AGENDA

Moved by Spaulding, seconded by MacArthur, to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES

Moved by MacArthur, seconded by Spaulding, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of July 2, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS

There were no communications.

APPEARING BEFORE THE BOARD/PUBLIC COMMENT

No citizens appeared before the Board.

PURCHASES

Moved by Spaulding, seconded by MacArthur, to approve the following purchases in the amount of \$76,289.44:

<u>Item</u>	<u>PO/Inv.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1	77591	7/20/24	Cogitate Software, Pro Fund Accounting Software Support for 8/1/24 to 10/31/24.	\$2,854.00
2	3118	7/15/24	Kessler Equipment Co., balance of new floor hoist install and additional fuel tank of \$2,500.00.	\$41,374.00
3	1500022118	7/3/24	Pomp's Tire Service, inc. new drive tires for #046.	\$2,679.44
4	PO 128	7/18/24	Scotland Oil Co., 12,000 gallons diesel fuel at \$2.4485 per gallon.	\$29,382.00
TOTAL PURCHASES				\$76,289.44

Motion carried unanimously.

CONTRACT PAYMENTS

Moved by MacArthur, seconded by Spaulding, to approve the following contract payments in the amount of \$10,040.00:

<u>Item</u>	<u>PO/Inv</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1	7607	7/2/24	Scott Civil Engineering Company, design engineering services for Long Rapids Road Bridge.	\$10,040.00
TOTAL CONTRACT PAYMENTS				\$10,040.00

Motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Spaulding commented that there is "House for Sale" sign utilizing the MDOT street sign post at the corner of M-65 & Long Rapids Road.

Commissioner Lucas inquired as to what the laws were regarding political signs in the right-of-way.

LAKE WINYAH ROAD AGREEMENT

Moved by Spaulding, seconded by MacArthur, to enter into an agreement with a private donor, and the Alpena County Road Commission to reconstruct 0.48 mile of Lake Winyah Road in the Charter Township of Alpena and 0.64 mile of Lake Winyah Road in Maple Ridge Township. The Charter Township of Alpena will pay for 1/3 of the 0.48 mile of Lake Winyah project in their Township and the Alpena County Road Commission will be responsible for 1/3 of the project in Maple Ridge Township and Charter Township of Alpena. The Donor will pay 1/3 of the cost of Lake Winyah Road in Charter Township of Alpena and in Maple Ridge Township as well as pay 1/3 of the Maple Ridge Township share. The Road Commission would not participate in the project without the donor's \$375,000 contribution. Motion carried unanimously.

AMENDMENT TO PUBLIC COMMENT POLICY #072

Moved by MacArthur, seconded by Spaulding, to make the following amendment to Policy #072 Public Comment at Meetings of the Commission:

Added #9. Time allotted to meeting attendees for public comment shall be used for public comment only. An individual addressing the Commissioners is not entitled to use meeting time allotted to the individual for activities other than delivering public comment, such as (by way of illustration only and not limitation) periods of silence for protest, remembrance, or any other purpose; audio or video presentations; or presentation of comment that is not their own.

Motion carried unanimously.

MDOT RESOLUTION FOR OLD OSSINEKE ROAD DETOUR

Moved by Commissioner MacArthur, supported by Commissioner Spaulding, that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, Michigan Department of Transportation will be reconstructing Lake State Railway Crossing on US-23 South in Alpena County in Alpena, Michigan, and

WHEREAS, the temporary closing of the Lake State Railroad Crossing on US-23 South may occur in 2024 or 2025 has resulted in the Michigan Department of Transportation requesting the use of Old Ossineke Road as a detour during the reconstructing process,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Road Commissioners of Alpena County, Michigan, does hereby allow the Michigan Department of Transportation to use the Old Ossineke Road in Alpena County in Alpena, Michigan as a detour during the reconstruction of Lake State Railway Crossing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the detour on Old Ossineke Road shall become effective upon placement of a 1 ½ inch wedge and overlay and traffic marking additionally, the appropriate traffic control signs on the aforesaid designated road shall be placed and remain in effect until such time that the Lake State Railway Crossing is complete.

Carried by a vote as follows:

Ayes: Commissioner Lucas, MacArthur, and Spaulding.
Nays: None

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next regular meeting of the Alpena County Road Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, August 6, 2024, at 3:00 p.m. in the lower level of the Alpena County Road Commission.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 3:19 p.m.

Gerald Lucas, Chairman

Julia G. Patterson,
Board Secretary