

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

June 3, 2025

The Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Alpena met in regular session on the above date. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Gerry MacArthur, at 3:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

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

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

Others Present: Dan Florip, Road Commission Attorney; Bill LaHaie and Travis Konarzewski, Alpena County Commissioners; Mark Herman, Huron Engineering and Surveying; Ben Mead, AIS Construction Equipment.

AGENDA

Moved by Lucas, seconded by Spaulding, to adopt the agenda as presented with the addition of "Abandonment of Bussey Road" under New Business. Motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES

Moved by Spaulding, seconded by Lucas, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of May 6, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS

Tom Doty, Chair, CRASIF Board of Trustees, memorandum dated May 15, 2025, regarding a call for Board of Trustees candidates.

APPEARING BEFORE THE BOARD/PUBLIC COMMENT

Virginia Tadajewski, Cowper Street, appeared before the Board to question if the Road Commission had marked trees with ribbon in her ditch in front of her house. Ms. Tadajewski also questioned the dumpster near the road on Lowell, and water in her ditch. Managing Director Ryan Brege responded the Road Commission crew is only cleaning trees from ditches for what is deemed necessary. Mr. Brege stated that the dumpster is not in the traveling area of the road. The ditch was looked at and while the culverts are heaving, it is not negatively impacting the road.

MANAGING DIRECTOR REPORT

Managing Director Ryan Brege reported the following:

- Long Rapids Road over North Branch of the Thunder Bay River

contract was awarded to Grand River Construction with a bid of \$1,787,792.10. The tentative start date is planned for mid-July with completion date of October 26th and open to traffic November 14, 2025.

- Lake Winyah Road is complete on all but slope restoration.
- Continuing to work on the Third Street/Tamarack Road plans with an update in progress. Waiting on grant application.
- Wolf Creek Road’s resurfacing project is one-third complete with prime contractor Pyramid Paving.
- Budgeted for new boiler for the building but since we have switched service contractors, the maintenance issues were identified. Would prefer to purchase a backup generator for power for all the Road Commission buildings. Could apply for a grant through the Michigan State Police for hazard mitigation with a 80/20 match. Thunder Bay Electric estimates \$100,000 cost.

COUNTY ROAD REPORT

Road Superintendent John Bygden presented the Board with an update on the County Roads.

APRIL FINANCIAL REPORT

The Finance Director presented the Cash/Cash Equivalents Financial Report for the month ending April 30, 2025.

Moved by Lucas, seconded by Spaulding, that all reports become part of the minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

BIDS, QUOTATIONS, AND PURCHASES

HEAVY DUTY MOTOR GRADER

The following bids were opened Monday, May 19, 2025, to furnish one new 40,000# Operating Weight Heavy Duty Motor Grader:

Michigan Cat:

2025 Caterpillar 150	\$ 402,684.43
Re-use Snow Wing Assembly	- 0 -
Re-use Bulldozer Assembly	- 0 -
72 months/7000 hours Powertrain & Hydraulics Warranty	\$12,909.00
Guaranteed Repurchase Price.	(132,900.00)
Total Purchase Cost	\$415,593.43

AIS CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT:

2025 Deere 770 GP.	\$ 371,473.24
Re-use Snow Wing Assembly	- 0 -
Re-use Bulldozer Assembly	- 0 -
72 months/7000 hours Powertrain & Hydraulics Warranty	21,606.00
Plus: Premium Circle.	12,000.00
Trade-In Price	\$(135,000.00)
Total Purchase Cost	\$ 405,079.24

Moved by Lucas, seconded by Spaulding, to award the bid to AIS Construction Equipment, for furnishing one 2025 John Deere 770 GP with snow wing and bulldozer assemblies, 72 months/7,000-hour

powertrain & hydraulics warranty, and premium circle per their bid dated May 16, 2025, for \$405,079.24. Motion carried unanimously.

STOCKPILING 29A QUOTES

The following three quotes were received June 2, 2025, to transport and stockpile MDOT Specification 29A Coarse Aggregate at three locations in Alpena County for use during sealcoating operations:

	<u>Location#1</u>		<u>Location#2</u>		<u>Location#3</u>		
	Weiss Pit		Long Rapids & N M-65		Nicholson Hill & Hubbard Lake Church		Total
	800 tons		100 tons		1,050 tons		1,950 tons
Team Elmer's	\$2.78/ton	\$2,224	\$4.63/ton	\$463	\$4.60/ton	\$4,830	\$7,517.00
Goodrich Truck	\$3.57/ton	\$2,856	\$5.35/ton	\$535	\$6.25/ton	\$6,562.5	\$9,953.50
C&S Carriers	\$3.20/ton	\$2,560	\$4.89/ton	\$489	\$4.89/ton	\$5,134.5	\$8,183.50

Moved by Spaulding, seconded by Lucas, to accept the quotation submitted by Team Elmer's to transport and stockpile MDOT Specification 29A Coarse Aggregate for a total quote of \$7,517.00. Motion carried unanimously.

HERBICIDE APPLICATION

Thunder Bay Tree Service submitted the only bid for 6,000 gallons of intermittent brush spraying at a bid price of \$8.90 per gallon plus two-man crew at \$128.00 per hour. Moved by Lucas, seconded by Spaulding, to accept the bid from Thunder Bay Tree Service. Motion carried unanimously.

MAY BILLS

Moved by Spaulding, seconded by Lucas, to approve the May 2025 bills in the amount of \$479,084.48 Motion carried unanimously.

PURCHASES

Moved by Lucas, seconded by Spaulding, to approve the following purchases in the amount of \$121,199.74:

9E. PURCHASES				
Item	PO/Inv.	Date	Description	Amount
1	325050012	5/10/25	Bit Mat Products, 3,490.82 gallons of AE-90 at \$2.40 per gallon	\$8,401.08
2	CRA0009242	5/15/25	CRASIF, July 1, 2025, thru June 30, 2026, Quarterly Workers Compensation premium.	\$8,285.00
3	365527	6/3/25	CRC Contractors Rental, excavator rental for MDOT TWA Road projects	\$6,880.00
4	PO 156	5/12/25	Forward Distributing, 2,701 gallons of nolead gas at \$2.2555 per gallon.	\$6,092.11
5	200249	5/7/25	Iosco County Road Commission, labor, and equipment for ice storm cleanup assistance.	\$15,899.21
6	752358	5/22/25	Team Elmer's. 721.90 tons 23A road gravel at \$9.00 per ton for county roads.	\$6,497.10
7	11634	5/28/25	Ted Festerling LLC, parts to rebuild underbody scraper #144 on Truck #094.	\$3,190.67

8	BJ0002681	5/9/25	Truck & Trailer Specialties, remaining balance for equipment package for Tandem Truck #064 from 2024 Budget.	\$55,208.77
9	3-1228082	5/27/25	Valley Truck Parts, manual transmission and clutch parts for Truck #094.	\$6,145.80
10	51424-CRV24	5/9/25	Watkins Ross, Preparation of post-employment for GASB Compliance for year ending 2024.	\$4,600.00
TOTAL PURCHASES				\$121,199.74

Motion carried unanimously.

CONTRACT PAYMENTS

Moved by Spaulding, seconded by Lucas, to approve the following contract payments in the amount of \$40,959.19:

9F. CONTRACT PAYMENTS				
Item	PO/Inv	Date	Description	Amount
1	Est #3	5/23/25	MacArthur Construction, Inc., progress billing #3 for Lake Winyah Road in Alpena Township.	\$8,987.10
2	Est #3	5/23/25	MacArthur Construction, Inc., progress billing #3 for Lake Winyah Road in Maple Ridge Township.	\$31,972.09
TOTAL CONTRACT PAYMENTS				\$40,959.19

Motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Spaulding commented that he is happy that dust control is being applied to the gravel roads and that the roads are in good shape. Commissioner MacArthur inquired how the Road Commission is doing on the remaining budgeted items.

TOWNSHIP DUST CONTROL AGREEMENTS

Moved by Spaulding, seconded by Lucas, to approve the following Township Road Agreements for Dust Control:

	Township	ACRC	Total
	<u>Match</u>	<u>Match</u>	<u>Estimate</u>
Charter Township of Alpena			
2025 Local Road Dust Control Program			
35% Solution/Brine	\$34,650.00	\$0.00	\$34,650.00

Motion carried unanimously.

TOWNSHIP ROAD AGREEMENTS

Moved by Lucas, seconded by Spaulding, to approve the following Road Agreements:

	Township	ACRC	Total
	<u>Share</u>	<u>Share</u>	<u>Estimate</u>
<u>CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF ALPENA:</u>			
Surface Gravel:			
Thunder Bay Ave @ end of pavement .15 mi.	\$ 2,630	\$ 2,630	\$ 5,260

Wall Ave @ Mac Ave then s. 0.25 mi.	\$ 4,355	\$ 4,355	\$ 8,710
Jensen Ave @ Wall Ave then NW .06 mi.	\$ 986	\$ 986	\$ 1,972
Jensen Ave @ Mac Ave then E. .07 mi.	\$ 1,150	\$ 1,150	\$ 2,300
Henry Ave @ Wall Ave then E. 0.12 mi.	\$ 2,137	\$ 2,137	\$ 4,274
Partridge Point Rd @ 6336' E of US-23 0.49 mi	\$ 8,578	\$ 8,578	\$ 17,156
Wessel Rd @Bloom Rd then S. 5,280' 1.00 mi.	\$ 17,353	\$ 17,353	\$ 34,706
Piper Rd @ 7,000' S, of pavement 0.34 mi.	\$ 10,092	\$ 10,092	\$ 20,184
Turnbull Mill Rd @ Bloom Rd then N. 0.66 mi	\$ 9,614	\$ 9,614	\$ 19,228
Truckey Rd @ end of pavement then N. 0.57 mi	\$ 8,990	\$ 8,990	\$ 17,980
Haken Rd @ Lacombe Rd then S. 5,280' 1.00 mi.	\$ 15,823	\$ 15,823	\$ 15,823
Monaghan Point Rd @ 4,500 E of Anderson 0.82	\$ 12,306	\$ 11,592	\$ 23,898
<i>Ditching:</i>			
Michigan Ave @ 535' S. of Thunder Bay 0.10 mi	\$ 9,448	\$ 9,448	\$ 18,896
Genschaw Rd @ Golf Course-ditch W. side 0.27 mi.	\$ 3,974	\$ 3,974	\$ 7,948
<i>Sealcoats:</i>			
Meyer Rd @ US-23 to West end 0.25 mi	\$ 4,828	\$ 4,828	\$ 9,656
Pohl Rd @ US-23 to West end 0.25 mi.	\$ 4,828	\$ 4,828	\$ 4,828
Burke Manor Sub. 0.86 mi.	\$ 15,587	\$ 15,587	\$ 31, 174
<i>TOTAL CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF ALPENA:</i>	\$ 131,846	\$ 132,679	\$ 264,525
	<u>Township Share</u>	<u>ACRC Share</u>	<u>Total Estimate</u>
<i>GREEN TOWNSHIP:</i>			
<i>Surface Gravel:</i>			
Alfalfa Rd @ M-65 then E. 4,000' 0.76 mi.	\$ 11,986	\$ 11,986	\$ 23,972
Carney Rd. @ Calcut 3280' E. of Manning 0.38 mi.	\$ 6,574	\$ 6,574	\$ 13,148
Fishing Site Rd @ Palmateer . 0.79 mi	\$ 13,722	\$ 13,722	\$ 27,444
<i>Ditching:</i>			
Jones Rd @ Emil's Landing then ditch 0.06 mi	\$ 5,679	\$ 5,679	\$ 11,358
<i>TOTAL GREEN TOWNSHIP:</i>	\$ 37,961	\$ 37,961	\$ 75,922
	<u>Township Share</u>	<u>ACRC Share</u>	<u>Total Estimate</u>
<i>LONG RAPIDS TOWNSHIP:</i>			
<i>Surface Gravel:</i>			
Salina Rd @ McEwan Rd then N. 0.53 mi.	\$ 9,203	\$ 9,203	\$ 18,406
Olsen Rd @ 3,693' W of Leer Rd. 0.29 mi.	\$ 5,012	\$ 5,012	\$ 10,024
Zajkowski Rd @ M-65 then E. 1900' 0.36 mi.	\$ 4,745	\$ 4,745	\$ 9,490
<i>Sealcoat:</i>			
Hibner Road Seal @ M-65 then E. 0.625 mi	\$ 12,885	\$ 12,885	\$ 25,770
<i>TOTAL LONG RAPIDS TOWNSHIP:</i>	\$ 31,845	\$ 31,845	\$ 63,690
	<u>Township Share</u>	<u>ACRC Share</u>	<u>Total Estimate</u>
<i>MAPLE RIDGE TOWNSHIP:</i>			
<i>Surface Gravel:</i>			
Shannon Rd @ Herron Rd then E. 0.53 mi	\$ 7,623	\$ 7,623	\$ 15,246

Lake Winyah Rd @ End of pavement 0.58 mi.	\$ 10,024	\$ 10,024	\$ 20,048
Ellsworth Rd Orchard Hill then E. 0.51 mi.	\$ 7,395	\$ 7,395	\$ 14,790
Maple Lane Rd @ Bolton Rd then E. 0.61 mi	\$ 10,518	\$ 10,518	\$ 21,036
TOTAL MAPLE RIDGE TOWNSHIP:	\$ 35,560	\$ 35,560	\$ 71,120

	Township Share	ACRC Share	Total Estimate
<u>OSSINEKE TOWNSHIP:</u>			
Surface Gravel:			
Clewley Rd @ end of pavement then S. 0.44 mi	\$ 6,892	\$ 6,892	\$ 13,784
Doctors Club Rd @ M-65 then W. 1.78 mi.	\$ 33,205	\$ 28,585	\$ 61,790
Ditching:			
Indian Reserve Rd @ Nicholson Hill	\$ 35,710	\$ - 0 -	\$ 35,710
<u>Berm Removal & Gravel:</u>			
Nicholson Hill Rd @ 1,750' W. 0.28 mi	\$ 6,372	\$ 6,372	\$ 12,744
TOTAL OSSINEKE TOWNSHIP:	\$ 82,179	\$ 41,849	\$ 124,028

	Township Share	ACRC Share	Total Estimate
<u>WELLINGTON TOWNSHIP:</u>			
Surface Gravel:			
McConnaughey Rd @ Shepard Rd. 0.49 mi.	\$ 12,736	\$ 1,506	\$ 14,242
MacArthur Rd @ 1,700' W of Collins Rd 0.34 mi.	\$ 4,930	\$ 4,930	\$ 9,860
Avery Rd @ Reider School Rd then N. 0.50 mi.	\$ 6,831	\$ 6,831	\$ 14,790
Hunt Rd @ Shepard Rd then E. 0.19 mi.	\$ 3,013	\$ 3,013	\$ 6,026
TOTAL WELLINGTON TOWNSHIP:	\$ 27,510	\$ 16,280	\$ 43,790

Motion carried unanimously.

MDOT ENGINEERING REIMBURSEMENT

Moved by Spaulding, seconded by Lucas, to request reimbursement from the Michigan Department of Transportation in the amount up to \$10,000.00 for payments made during the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 to licensed professional engineers employed or retained by this Commission, in accordance with Sec. 12(2) of Act 51, as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

BUSSIE ROAD ABANDONMENT

Moved by Spaulding, seconded by Lucas, to abandon an approximate 0.03 mile portion of 66 foot right-of-way of Bussie Road in Wilson Township, Alpena County, Michigan, beginning 0.473 miles East of the intersection of Bussie Road and Herron Road and extending 0.027 miles East to a point located 0.50 miles East of same said road. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next regular meeting of the Alpena County Road Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, July 1, 2025, 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 4:22 p.m.

Gerry MacArthur, Chairman

Julia G. Patterson,
Board Secretary