

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

September 6, 2022

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, Thomas Spaulding, at 3:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ROLL CALL**

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

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

Others Present: Dan Florip, Road Commission Attorney; County Engineer Rebecca Rivard of Huron Engineering and Surveying.

**AGENDA**

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

**MINUTES**

Moved by MacArthur, seconded by Lucas, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 2, 2022, and the minutes of the special meeting of August 8, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

D. Patrick Allen, Act 51 Engineer—Michigan Department of Transportation, letter dated August 1, 2022, regarding the Annual Road Mileage Certification.

Moved by Lucas, seconded by MacArthur, that all communications become a part of the minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

**CITIZENS APPEARING BEFORE THE BOARD/PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Scot Hoskins, CPA, UHY LLP**, appeared before the Board to present a summary of the Annual Financial Report for the year ended December 31, 2021. Mr. Hoskins noted there were no significant issues during the audit and that the Alpena County Road Commission is in sound financial condition.

Jerry Kaschner, 3621 Werth Road, appeared before the Board to discuss the drainage problem on his property on Werth Road. Mr. Kaschner stated he applied for a permit to clean his ditch, but it was denied by the Alpena County Road Commission.

**MANAGING DIRECTOR REPORT**

Managing Director Ryan Brege reported the following:

- Long Rapids Road and Bagley Street Traffic signal complete and was in operation on September 1, 2022.

- Herron Road Project: Under construction and should be open this week with just seeding and mulching left to do.
- Long Lake Road: Started today (September 6<sup>th</sup>) Contractor is Bolen Asphalt Paving and hope to pave by the end of the week.
- Spruce Road: Project is in the October bid letting.
- Attended the Emergency Planning Committee meeting last month. Committee requires four meetings a year to discuss the evacuation planning if an emergency were to occur.
- Working on getting the Oxcart online permit system up and running.

**COUNTY ROAD REPORT**

The Superintendent presented the Board with an update on the County Roads.

**JULY FINANCIAL REPORT**

The Finance Director presented the Cash/Cash Equivalents Financial Report for the month ended July 31, 2022.

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

**PURCHASES**

Moved by MacArthur, seconded by Lucas, to approve the following purchases in the amount of \$287,863.62:

**9A. PURCHASES**

Item	PO/Inv.	Date	Description	Amount
1	5044	8/4/2022	Alpena Aggregate Inc., various culverts for the MDOT TWA project #A518 223055.	\$4,921.76
2	S74195	8/15/22	Alpena Diesel Service, parts to replace catalyst and sensors for emissions control.	\$7,054.08
3	202207-B0121	7/31/22	Bit-Mat Products, 11,305.39 gallons of HFRS-2 at \$2.16 per gallon for county sealcoat projects.	\$24,419.64
4	202208-B0021	8/7/22	Bit-Mat Products, 29,707.78 gallons of HFRS-2 at \$2.16 per gallon for county sealcoat projects.	\$64,168.81
5	202208-B0062	8/14/22	Bit-Mat Products, 31,391.61 gallons of HFRS-2 at \$2.16 per gallon for county sealcoat projects.	\$67,805.88
6	202208-B0103	8/21/22	Bit-Mat Products, 9,485.03 gallons of HFRS-2 at \$2.16 per gallon for county sealcoat projects.	\$20,487.66
7	202208-B0102	8/21/22	Bit-Mat Products, 18,625.15 gallons of Chip-Lock-Fog Seal at \$1.80 per gallon for county sealcoat projects.	\$33,525.27
8	202208-B0147	8/31/22	Bit-Mat Products, 5,573.65 gallons of Chip-Lock-Fog Seal At \$1.80 per gallon for county sealcoat projects.	\$10,032.57
9	45	8/29/22	Crystal Flash, 2,700 gallons nolead gas at \$2.899 per gal.	\$7,827.30
10	22-032	7/31/22	Environmental Excavating & Cont., Inc., disposal of contaminated soil and trucking to landfill for M-32 & M-65 intersection accident.	\$12,902.25
11	33806	7/31/22	Everett Goodrich Trucking Inc. trucking freight for 746.71 tons of 29A at \$5.25 per ton delivered to Brilinski Pit and 150.83 tons of 29A at \$7.00 per ton delivered to	

			St. Paul's Church stockpile for sealcoat projects.	\$4,976.04
12	33897	8/25/22	Everett Goodrich Trucking Inc. trucking freight for 643.54 tons of 29A at \$5.25 per ton delivered to Brillinski Pit and 896.95 tons of 29A at \$7.00 per ton delivered to St. Paul's Church stockpile for sealcoat projects.	\$9,657.24
	551-603960	8/8/22	Michigan State Police, 2022 Frost Laws Patrol.	\$5,685.14
14	2722119	8/1/22	Specification Stone Products, 3446.86 tons of 29A LS stone at \$10.75 per ton for county sealcoat projects.	\$3,707.25
15	2724349	8/5/22	Specification Stone Products, 248.73 tons of 29A LS stone at \$10.75 per ton for county sealcoat projects.	\$2,673.85
16	2724957	8/9/22	Specification Stone Products, 447.99 tons of 29A LS stone at \$10.75 per ton for county sealcoat projects.	\$4,815.89
17	2726482	8/11/22	Specification Stone Products, 297.95 tons of 29A LS stone at \$10.75 per ton for county sealcoat projects.	\$3,202.98
<b>TOTAL PURCHASES</b>				<b>\$287,863.62</b>

Motion carried unanimously.

**CONTRACT PAYMENTS**

Moved by MacArthur, seconded by Lucas, to approve the following contract payments in the amount of \$1,737,402.15:

**9B. CONTRACT PAYMENTS**

Item	PO/Inv	Date	Description	Amount
1	Est #2	9/2/22	Elmer's Crane and Dozer, Inc., Local Progress Payment #02 For Herron Road Reconstruction.	\$1,259,540.99
2	5048	8/4/22	Huron Engineering and Surveying, Inc., ROW Staking services and density testing services for Herron Road.	\$4,147.25
3	80422	8/4/22	Michigan Department of Transportation, contract payment #03 for Long Rapids Rd Traffic Signal.	\$10,341.91
4	591-11018675	8/16/22	Michigan Department of Transportation, advanced construction payment for Spruce Road.	\$463,372.00
<b>TOTAL CONTRACT PAYMENTS</b>				<b>\$1,737,402.15</b>

Motion carried unanimously.

**AUGUST BILLS**

Moved by MacArthur, seconded by Lucas, to approve the August 2022 bills in the amount of \$ 640,746.32. Motion carried unanimously.

**COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS**

Commissioner MacArthur questioned if the crew are blading gravel roads. Road Superintendent Curt Gonyea responded that the weather has not been right and we want to keep the chloride on as long as possible.

Commissioner Lucas stated that he had received a call from a woman who lives on Hobbs Drive and was concerned about the truck traffic and wondered what the Road Commission could do. Managing Director Ryan Brege explained that signs are posted but hard to dedicate our services to watch for violators. Mr. Brege noted that it is up to law enforcement. He also commented that many times the trucks are driving that road due to the GPS's taking them to that route.

Commissioner MacArthur inquired if there are any federal funds available to have a bypass for 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and Tamarack Road. Mr. Brege commented that he has been looking into that also.

**ACT 51, MCL 247.668j**  
**ANNUAL CERTIFICATION OF EMPLOYEE-RELATED CONDITIONS**

Moved by Lucas, seconded by McArthur, to certify that the Alpena County Road Commission is in compliance with MCL 247.668j (1) (b), and as such, certifies that medical benefits are offered to employees or elected public officials in compliance with the publicly funded health insurance contribution act, 2011 PA 152 and authorize Chairman Tom Spaulding and Finance Director Julia Patterson to sign the compliance form. Motion carried unanimously.

**NORTHERN MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION OF ROAD COMMISSIONS BALLOT**

Moved by MacArthur, seconded by Lucas, to NOT cast a vote for any of the candidates for the NMARC Trustees CRA Board for 2-year terms due to not enough information on the candidates.

- Jalene Sandel, Isabella CRC
- Donna Lowe, Midland CRC
- Karl Hanson, Wexford CRC

Motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLUTION**

**ALPENA COUNTY SPRUCE ROAD PROJECT**  
**MDOT CONTRACT NO. 22-5358**  
**JOB NO. 205307 CON**  
**CONTROL SECTION STL 04000**

Moved by Commissioner MacArthur and seconded by Commissioner Lucas, that Ryan J. Brege, Managing Director, and Julia Patterson, Secretary, are hereby authorized to sign the contract between the Michigan Department of Transportation and the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Alpena, Michigan, for the following described project:

STL 04000; JOB #205307CON

Hot mix asphalt base crushing, shaping, and resurfacing, aggregate base, aggregate shoulder, culvert replacement, riprap, permanent signing, and pavement markings along Spruce Road from Hubert Road to Nicholson Hill Road; and all together with necessary related work.

Carried by a vote as follows:

Ayes: Spaulding, Lucas, and MacArthur  
Nays: None  
Absent: None

**TOWNSHIP ROAD AGREEMENTS**

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

	<u>Township Share</u>	<u>ACRC Share</u>	Total
<b><u>MAPLE RIDGE TOWNSHIP:</u></b>			
<b><u>Surface Gravel:</u></b>			
Dietz Rd @ Lacombe Rd 0.95 mi.	\$ 14,545	\$ 11,121	\$ 25,666
<b>TOTAL MAPLE RIDGE TOWNSHIP:</b>	<b>\$ 14,545</b>	<b>\$ 11,121</b>	<b>\$ 25,666</b>

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Motion carried unanimously.

**NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next regular meeting of the Alpena County Road Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, October 4, 2022, 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 4:08 p.m.

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Thomas Spaulding, Chairman

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Julia G. Patterson,  
Board Secretary