

MINUTES OF March 11, 2025

A regular meeting of the Mackinac County Road Commission was called to order Tuesday, March 11, 2025, at 3:30 p.m. by Chairman Livermore. The meeting was held at the road commission office at 706 N. State Street, St. Ignace, Michigan. Roll call was taken and the following commissioners were present: Lester Livermore, Tom Doty, and Dan Litzner. Also present: Dirk Heckman, Gary Reid, Lance Tremblay, Glenn Gosnell and Ronda Trowse from AFSCME Michigan.

PREVIOUS MINUTES

It was moved by Commissioner Litzner and seconded by Commissioner Doty to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of February 25, 2025. An all aye vote was cast, motion approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Gary Reid reported on his attendance at the Marquette Township Board of Review meeting where he protested his assessment due to the condition of St. Ignace Road and Nunn's Creek Road. Mr. Reid requested improvements to those roads.

GLENN GOSNELL UNION GRIEVANCE

The grievance filed by AFSCME Michigan member Glenn Gosnell was discussed.

Commissioner Litzner inquired if there was a violation under Article 1, Ronda Trowse replied no.

It was moved by Commissioner Litzner and seconded by Commissioner Doty to table Glenn Gosnell's Union Grievance until the April 8, 2025, regularly scheduled meeting.

An all aye vote was cast, motion approved.

AUTHORIZATION TO FILL HEO POSITION

It was moved by Commissioner Doty and seconded by Commissioner Litzner to approve the Engineer/Manager post and advertise the HEO positions.

An all aye vote was cast, motion approved.

BUILDING CONTINGENCY FUND

It was moved by Commissioner Doty and seconded by Commissioner Litzner to designate \$250,000.00 to the Building Contingency Fund.

An all aye vote was cast, motion approved.

TED FUND CATEGORY E PROJECT ASSIGNMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Litzner and seconded by Commissioner Doty to use the TED Fund Category E revenue to upgrade 1) St. Ignace Road; 2) N. Gould City Road; prioritized for production of timber and due to both having permanent weight restrictions.

An all aye vote was taken, motion approved.

AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR 2025 PAVING BIDS

It was moved by Commissioner Doty and seconded by Commissioner Litzner to approve the Engineer/Manager to advertise for 2025 Paving Bids. An all aye vote was cast, motion approved.

APPROVE AND AWARD 2025 MATERIAL BIDS

It was moved by Commissioner Litzner and seconded by Commissioner Doty to accept the Fuel Bids and award the bid to Autore Oil. An all aye vote was cast, motion approved.

It was moved by Commissioner Litzner and seconded by Commissioner Doty to accept the Dura Patch Emulsion Bids and award the bid to Bit-Mat Products. An all aye vote was cast, motion approved.

It was moved by Commissioner Litzner and seconded by Commissioner Doty to accept the Cold Patch Bids and award the bid to Everett Goodrich Trucking. An all aye vote was cast, motion approved.

It was moved by Commissioner Doty and seconded by Commissioner Litzner to accept the Carbide Blade Bids and award the bid to Truck & Trailer Specialties. An all aye vote was cast, motion approved.

The Liquid Calcium Chloride Bids were accepted, placed on file, and will be forwarded to the Townships for their use.

**MORAN TOWNSHIP ROAD AGREEMENT FOR THE
WOODS ROAD AND CEDAR LANE HMA OVERLAY PROJECT
OLD PORTAGE ROAD THIS OVERLAY PROJECT
POINTE AUX CHENE SUBDIVISION ROADS THIS OVERLAY PROJECT
PRIMARY ROADS PAVEMENT MARKINGS PROJECT
LOCAL ROADS PAVEMENT MARKINGS PROJECT**

It was moved by Commissioner Doty and seconded by Commissioner Litzner to approve the Moran Township Road Agreements for the:
Woods Road and Cedar Land HMA Overlay Project
Old Portage Road HMA Thin Overlay Project
Pointe Aux Chene Subdivision Roads HMA Overlay Project
Primary Roads Pavement Markings Project
Local Roads Pavement Markings Project
An all aye vote was cast, motion approved.

**CONGRESSIONALLY DIRECTED SPENDING SUBMISSION RESOLUTION
APPROVAL FOR ST. IGNACE ROAD PROJECT**

It was moved by Commissioner Litzner and seconded by Commissioner Doty to approve earmarking \$280,000.00 for the anticipated match requirement for the Congressionally Directed Spending Application for a portion of St. Ignace Road Project, and to approve the following Resolution:

Whereas, the Mackinac County Road Commission recognizes that the St. Ignace Road is in poor condition and in need of reconstruction from the Marquette/Clark Township line west 2,112 feet, and

Whereas, there is an opportunity to apply for FY 2026 appropriations through the Office of Senator Gary C. Peters, and

Whereas, St. Ignace Road is a Federal Aid eligible, Major Collector, County Primary Road that is an excellent candidate for such funding, and

Whereas, the reconstruction of this segment of St. Ignace Road would benefit business and industry, tourism, recreation, the environment, and local transportation, and

Whereas, the Mackinac County Road Commission agrees to contribute the necessary match of 65% of a \$262,748.00 total project cost, and

Whereas, the Mackinac County Road Commission authorizes James Cryderman, Engineering Assistant, to sign the Rural Development, Community Facilities Grant application as their official representative,

Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Mackinac County Road Commission has reviewed and does hereby support the application to Senator Gary C. Peters Office for funds to reconstruct a 2,112' segment of St. Ignace Road in Marquette Township, Mackinac County, Michigan.

The following vote was cast:

Yeas: Livermore, Doty, Litzner.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Motion approved.

MANAGER'S COMMENTS

The Engineer/Manager reported paving bids will be due March 20.

The Engineer/Manager will be absent from the regularly scheduled meeting of Monday, March 24, 2025.

Weight restrictions were imposed county wide last Wednesday, March 5, 2025, at 7:00 a.m.

The Engineer/Manager reported on attending the State of the State Address.

AIS has received one backhoe, an early April delivery to the Road Commission is expected for both new backhoes.

Four employees have been registered to attend the CRASIF Safety Summit in April.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Livermore reported on an email received from a Swede Road resident.

Commissioner Livermore discussed MCRCSIP's call for nominees for the Board.

Commissioner Livermore reported on a visit he received from a former employee.

Commissioner Litzner discussed stressing the importance of developing a five year plan to all townships.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no reports.

APPROVAL OF PAYROLL AND BILLS

It was moved by Commissioner Litzner and seconded by Commissioner Doty to approve payroll of 3/13/25 for \$81,276.33, and bills on 3/11/25 for \$80,570.31.

An all aye vote was cast, motion approved.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Doty and seconded by Commissioner Litzner to adjourn the meeting at 5:10 p.m. An all aye vote was cast, motion approved.

MINUTES APPROVED: