

A Regular Meeting of the Oscoda County Road Commission

was held on Tuesday, February 14, 2023, at 8:00 a.m. at the Tri-Town Fire Hall, Mio, Michigan

Members Present: James R. Houlton, Roger J. Wiegand, Thomas S. Siegler, David D. Yoder, and Dennis Morse. Also present: Tom McCauley, Oscoda County liaison, Steve Defour, Manager, Christine Matthews, Clerk, and one member of the public: William Shattuck.

Chairman Wiegand called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The Board reviewed the minutes from their Regular Board Meeting on January 17th and approved with correction. The vouchers for accounts payable and payroll were approved as presented.

Houlton/Morse to approve the minutes of January 17, 2023, with one correction (Morse was not excused)
2023-021 5 ayes : 0 nays ; Motion carried

Yoder/Siegler to approve the Special Voucher for wire transfer equipment purchase (#20230118) in the
2023-022 amount of \$21,448., subject to audit
5 ayes : 0 nays ; Motion carried

Siegler/Morse to approve the Master Vouchers for accounts payable (#107488) in the amount of
2023-023 \$103,344.07 and payroll (#107489) in the amount of \$38,804.99, subject to audit
5 ayes : 0 nays ; Motion carried

Morse/Siegler to approve the Master Vouchers for accounts payable (#107490) in the amount of
2023-024 \$70,967.94 and payroll (#107491) in the amount of \$39,075.88, subject to audit
5 ayes : 0 nays ; Motion carried

Manager's Report

- a) Received COVID check \$147,945
- b) FYI: New Commissioners Workshop Tuesday, February 21 8am-4:30pm at the Comfort Inn & Suites in Mount Pleasant
- c) FYI: CRA study on electric vehicles – trying to figure out how to charge them, since they don't buy gas.
- d) FYI: CRASIF refund of \$32,850

No **Public Comment** was received at this time.

A **County Commissioner's Report** was received at this time from Tom McCauley. He said that he attended planning & zoning meetings from NEMCOG regarding solar panels. A lot of townships are putting in ordinances, so that they can assure that solar farms clean up after themselves when they shut down. Also wind generators. He attended the library meeting last night. We have another person who is going to be the liaison between Comins Township and the library. MTA meeting – Equalization Director – questions about gypsy moths. What are the townships paying for, as far as taxes. Today they are going to choose a project manager for the new sheriff's department.

New Business

- a) CRA Ballot – one candidate

Houlton/Morse to vote for Burt Thompson
2023-025 5 ayes : 0 nays , Motion carried

- b) Bills Road Paving Contract – one full mile

Siegler/Yoder to allow Steve Defour and Roger Wiegand to sign contract with Bolen Asphalt
2023-026 5 ayes : 0 nays , Motion carried

c) Miller Road Resolution and Contract

RESOLUTION 2023-027

WHEREAS, the Board recognizes the need for rehabilitation work on Miller Road from Richardson Road to Ruth Road; including hot mix asphalt base, crushing, shaping, and resurfacing, aggregate base, aggregate shoulders, permanent signing and pavement markings; and all together with necessary related work; and

WHEREAS The Oscoda County Road Commission recognizes Roger J. Wiegand as the Chairman and James R. Houlton as Member and;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the above named officials are authorized to sign:

MDOT Contract No. 22-5581

Control Section STL 68000

Job Number 205344CON

Siegler/Houlton to approve the Miller Road Resolution
2023-027 5 ayes : 0 nays , Motion carried

d) Lead Trailer Purchase

Wiegand/Houlton to approve the purchase of the lead trailer from Leelanau County.
2023-028 5 ayes : 0 nays , Motion carried

e) Gravel Pit Purchase – Bill Sanderson approached us about buying the pit. If we make gravel there three more times, it would pay for itself. It’s already developed, there’s nothing to clear, the road is all-season. Acreage is 50. Parcel A is 40, and Parcel B is 10. He wants \$140,000.

Siegler/Morse to proceed with purchase of the Sanderson Pit property (50 acres).
2023-029 5 ayes : 0 nays , Motion carried

f) Asphalt Paving Bid Award

Siegler/Houlton to go with the Bolen Asphalt bid.
2023-030 5 ayes : 0 nays , Motion carried

Unfinished Business

a) Dust Control Program – Manager Defour drafted a letter to the Boards of Trustees of the Townships, asking them to attend our March 14 meeting to discuss the cost increases and improvements to the function of the current program. Steve did a survey of surrounding counties and will include it with information at the board meeting.

Morse/Houlton to send out the letter to the townships
2023-031 5 ayes : 0 nays , Motion carried

Commissioner Morse was excused at 9:00am.

Public Comment was received at this time from Bill Shattuck. He asked when weight restrictions will be going on. We don’t know yet. We are still watching the weather closely. They usually go on about the end of February.

Siegler/Houlton to adjourn the meeting at 9:13 am. Next meeting is Tuesday, February 28, 2023 at 8:00am.
2023-032 4 ayes : 0 nays ; Motion carried