

A Regular Meeting of the Oscoda County Road Commission

was held on Tuesday, December 19, 2023, at 8:00 a.m. at the Tri-Town Fire Hall, Mio, Michigan

Members Present: Thomas S. Siegler, Dennis P. Morse, Roger J. Wiegand, James R. Houlton, and David D. Yoder.

Also present: Tom McCauley, Oscoda County Board of Commissioners 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 December 5th and approved them as written.

The vouchers for accounts payable and payroll were approved as presented.

Morse/Siegler to approve the minutes of December 5, 2023, as presented

2023-123 5 ayes : 0 nays ; Motion carried

Siegler/Morse to approve the Master Vouchers for accounts payable (#107535) in the amount of

2023-124 \$31,924.08, and payroll (#107536) in the amount of \$39,401.86, subject to audit

5 ayes : 0 nays ; Motion carried

A **Manager's Report** was given at this time by Manager Steve Defour:

- The sign project is complete
- We have an employee retiring on February 3, 2024 We will be advertising for a driver position
- MDOT is applying for a grant to fix bridges including Camp Ten Rd bridge. We are sending out email messages looking for support.
- Smith Rd – off of Firetower Rd. The resident there wants to abandon it. There is a gate at the end of the road, and Steve is going to try to get them to move it closer to his house.

Public Comment was received at this time from Bill Shattuck. He brought cookies for everyone, Merry Christmas.

A **County Commissioner's Report** was received at this time from Tom McCauley. He said that they are working on their budget and should be accepting it today. The ambulance director turned in his resignation after about one year.

New Business

- Accountant Compensation

Houlton/Siegler to increase the accountant salary to \$40/hour, with no benefits, effective immediately.

2023-125 5 ayes : 0 nays ; Motion carried

- 2023 Amended Budget/2024 Budget – discussion ensued regarding the purchase of a used tractor on rangerbid.com.

Siegler/Morse to accept the 2023 amended budget, with approval to purchase the tractor, up to \$150,000.

2023-126 5 ayes : 0 nays ; Motion carried

Morse/Yoder to accept the 2024 budget as presented

2023-127 5 ayes : 0 nays ; Motion carried

Unfinished Business

- Priority Health Care Renewal – we are expecting to not be under the cap, so each employee will have to pay about \$6 per check to keep the current coverage. Commissioner Siegler suggested that since the cost of the commissioner health care was part of the problem that they should cover the overage between them.

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

Morse/Siegler to adjourn the meeting at 8:48 a.m.

2023-128 5 ayes : 0 nays ; Motion carried