

**LAPEER COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, August 25, 2021
4:30 p.m.**

Present: Mr. James Novak, Jr. Chairman; Mr. Leslie Nichols, Vice Chairman; Mr. Terry Jostock, Member; Mr. Erick Pearson, Managing Director; Mrs. Tamela Delvecchio, Acting as Board Secretary; Mr. Zeb Schons, Superintendent; Mr. Destain Gingell, County Highway Engineer.

Employees: Mr. Mark Webb, Mr. Adam Sanderson, Mr. Brian Dennis;

Residents: Mr. Jason Walker, Mr. Jeff Hogan, Ms. Cosette Tank, Ms. Lisa Haack;

Chairman Novak called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of the Agenda

082521-157

Motion by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Jostock to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried.

Approval of Prior Board Meeting Minutes

082521-158

Motion by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Jostock to approve the Regular Meeting minutes for August 11, 2021. Motion carried.

Approval of Disbursements

082521-159

Motion by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Jostock to approve the Accounts Payable and Payroll dated August 26, 2021 in the amount of \$284,675.46. Motion carried.

Road Project Agreements

082521-160

Motion by Commissioner Jostock, seconded by Commissioner Nichols to approve the Township Road Project Agreements. Motion carried.

Attica Township

503-003-213206 – Lake Pleasant, placement of EVOLIS Radar Speed Signs

Estimated Cost: \$6,000 TWP

Deerfield Township

489-006-213518 Norway Lake Road and church approach

Estimated Cost: \$6,544.00 TWP

504-006-213517 Lake Shore Drive/Barnes Lake intersection

Estimated Cost: \$672.00 TWP

Marathon Township

505-013-214209 – Marathon Township Parks – 2 12X20 CSP

Estimated Cost: \$325 TWP

Managing Director Report

Annual Certification of Employee-related Conditions

082521-161

Motion by Commissioner Jostock, seconded by Commissioner Nichols to approve the Annual Certification of Employee-related Conditions. Motion Carried.

State Trunkline Maintenance Contract

082521-162

Motion by Commissioner Jostock, seconded by Commissioner Nichols to approve Erick Pearson to sign the October 1, 2021 – September 30, 2026 State Trunkline Maintenance Contract with MDOT.

Roll Call Vote: Novak, aye; Nichols, aye; Jostock, aye; Motion Carried

Mr. Pearson explained the property for sale and lowering the price around \$4,000 per parcel. Discussion followed about the parcels and the property for sale.

Superintendent Report

Mr. Schons discussed the current mowing schedule and explained that MDOT might want another full mow on state roads.

Mr. Schons declared the gravel haul wrapped up on Rich Road and that another would begin on Monday.

Mr. Schons announced that we had tentatively scheduled the Safety Day/Employee Luncheon for September 23, 2021.

Engineering Report

TCO#4(06)2021

082521-163

LAPEER COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
Resolution #082521-163

TCO#4(06)2021

WHEREAS, under the provisions of Chapter VI of Act No. 300, Public Acts of Michigan of 1949, as amended (Michigan Vehicle Code), this Board is authorized to place and maintain traffic control devices and traffic control signals on any highway under its jurisdiction for the purpose of regulating, warning or guiding traffic;

WHEREAS, Hickory Place, Elm Place and Lakeshore Drive are local county roads in Deerfield Township under the jurisdiction of this Board and, in the interest of public safety, it is deemed necessary to place and maintain certain traffic control devices and/or signals on said roads to regulate, warn or guide traffic.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED in accordance with the Engineer's recommendation, that due to traffic patterns and volumes at the intersection of Hickory Place, Elm Place and Lakeshore Drive that 1) the existing Yield

Signs on northbound Hickory Place and on eastbound Elm Place be removed; and 2) Stop Signs be placed on westbound Lakeshore Drive and on eastbound Elm Place.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the necessary signs shall be erected/removed to give notice of the regulation herein before established; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy hereof be filed with the County Clerk of the County of Lapeer, Michigan.

Motion by Commissioner Nichols

Motion supported by Commissioner Jostock

Ayes: Nichols, Novak, Jostock

Mr. Gingell went over the Paser and IRT ratings

Mr. Gingell gave a current project update.

Engineering Project Bid Tabulations

082521-164

Motion by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Jostock to approve the bid tabulations in the best interest of the Road Commission. Motion carried.

Public Comment

Resident – Have you hired a Finance Director?

Mr. Pearson stated we would be going into a closed session to discuss the Finance Director Contract.

082521-165

Motion by Commissioner Jostock, seconded by Commissioner Nichols to go into closed session for the purpose of an employment contract. Roll Call Vote: Novak, aye; Nichols, aye; Jostock, aye. Motion carried unanimously at 4:55pm.

082521-166

Motion by Commissioner Jostock, seconded by Commissioner Nichols to come out of closed session at 5:13pm. Motion carried.

082521-167

Motion by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Jostock to approve the closed session minutes. Motion carried.

082521-168

Motion by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Novak to approve the Finance Director Contract. Novak, aye; Nichols, aye; Jostock, nay, motion carried.

Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Jostock stated the mowing was looking good and asked about the patching for the sink hole.

Commissioner Nichols questioned the culverts being used for the Peasley Drain. Mr. Gingell explained that this is the Lapeer County Drain Commission project and if we ask above and beyond what is required, we have to pay the additional fees. Discussion continued about the Peasley Drain project work being done by the Drain Commission.

Brief discussion about cross culverts being replaced after a road has been repaved.

Chairman Novak read parts of a letter from the Office of Emergency Management and asked the letter be inserted into the meeting minutes.

Dear Chairman Novak,

I hope this letter finds you, your staff and families safe and healthy. I have intended to send this correspondence once COVID pandemic was behind us; however, it looks like it's here to stay for a while.

I wanted to pass along my gratitude to your organization, especially for the help I received from Rick and Zeb throughout this pandemic. Collaboration, within the emergency management system, is vital to getting thru any emergency or disaster that may strike a community. The support I received (and continue to receive) from these two gentlemen is the reason we were successful in getting PPE in the hands of the community.

Although this pandemic was not the first time LCRC has been there for my department/community, it definitely has been the longest! Not only did LCRC provide storage for all the PPE, Mr. Schons was there at every turn to help with special storage issues, inventorying and dissemination of these lifesaving resources meant for our long-term care facilities, essential workers and first responders throughout Lapeer County. No matter the day, or time-of-day I reached out to Zeb, he never once said "no" and was always there to help! Over my 26-year career, this has been a common theme with these two gentlemen continuously doing whatever they can for their community!

Thank you and the Board for your foresight by placing individuals into positions who can work so well with others and truly care about their community/residents. I am extremely grateful for all of the assistance.

Sincerely,
Mary Piorunek, Emergency management Director

Being no further business, Chairman Novak declared the meeting adjourned at 5:24 p.m.

James Novak Jr., Chairman

Tamela M Delvecchio, Acting as Board Secretary