

# Board of Lapeer County Road Commissioners

820 Davis Lake Road  
Lapeer, MI 48446

**MINUTES**  
**PUBLIC HEARING &**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**Wednesday, May 13, 2026**  
**4:30 p.m.**

*John Howell, Chairman*  
*Terry Jostock, Vice Chairman*  
*James Novak, Jr., Member*

Present: Mr. John Howell, Chairman; Mr. Terry Jostock, Vice Chairman; Mr. James Novak, Jr., Member; Mr. Destain Gingell, Manager/County Highway Engineer; Mrs. Kathleen Cunningham, Finance Director/Board Secretary (**Absent**).

Public: Ken Kopnick, Steve Keim, Vera Kraft and Karen Brashayo.

Chairman Mr. Howell; called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

## **PUBLIC HEARING FOR ABANDONMENT OF COLDWATER ROAD:**

### **Open Public Hearing**

**051326-056**

Motion by Commissioner Novak, seconded by Commissioner Jostock to open Public Hearing for abandonment of Coldwater Rd.

Roll call vote: Howell, Aye; Jostock, Aye; Novak, Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Managing Director/Engineer Report**

Destain Gingell, County Highway Engineer provided summary of abandonment.

PART OF THE NORTH 112 OF SECTION 19 AND PART OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF SECTION 18, T08N - R09E, OREGON TOWNSHIP, LAPEER COUNTY, MICHIGAN, THE CENTER LINE DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 19, WHICH IS S 87°23'28" W 1832.17 FEET FROM THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION; THENCE CONTINUING S 87°23'28" W 1017.34 FEET TO THE NORTH 1/4 CORNER OF SAID SECTION; THENCE S 87°19'52" W, ALONG SAID NORTH LINE, 1554.17 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 19 AND THE PLACE OF ENDING.

### **Public Time**

A member of the public spoke, says needs to be done.

### **Commissioner Comments**

None.

### **Close Public Hearing**

**051326-057**

Motion by Commissioner Novak, seconded by Commissioner Jostock to approve to Close Public Hearing for abandonment of Coldwater Rd.

Roll call vote: Howell, Aye; Jostock, Aye; Novak, Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Adjournment**

Being no further business, Chairman Howell, declared the Public Hearing adjourned at 4:32 p.m.

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING:**

Present: Mr. John Howell, Chairman; Mr. Terry Jostock, Vice Chairman; Mr. James Novak, Jr., Member; Mr. Destain Gingell, Manager/County Highway Engineer; Mrs. Kathleen Cunningham, Finance Director/Board Secretary (**Absent**).

Public: Ken Kopnick, Steve Keim, Vera Kraft, Leslie Getz and Karen Brashayo,

Chairman Howell called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

**Approval of the Agenda****051326-058**

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

**Approval of Prior Board Meeting Minutes for April 29, 2026****051326-059**

Motion by Commissioner Jostock, seconded by Commissioner Novak to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes for April 29, 2026. Motion carried.

**Approval of Accounts Payable and Payroll in the amount of \$ 666,427.15 dated May 14, 2026****051326-060**

Motion by Commissioner Jostock, seconded by Commissioner Novak to approve account payable and payroll in the amount of \$ 666,427.15 dated May 14, 2026. Motion carried.

**Approval for (7) Road Project Agreements****051326-061**

Motion by Commissioner Novak, seconded by Commissioner Jostock to approve the 7 Township Road Project Agreements. Motion carried.

1. 504-026-264705 Rich Township – Mowat Rd., X-Tube 24”x32’ 14ga CMP Poly Coat STC-1625 Estimated Cost \$5,500.00
2. 504-026-264704 Rich Township – Heater Rd., X-Tube 18”x30’ 14ga CMP Poly Coat STC-5415 Estimated Cost \$5,200.00
3. 504-004-263301 Burlington Township - Roadside Mowing – 2 Single Pass Mowing’s (1- Late-Spring, 1 – Mid/Late Summer), By S & L Landscaping. Estimated Cost: \$6,890.00
4. 504-001-263001 Almont Township - Roadside Mowing – 2 Complete Double Pass Mowing’s (1- Spring, 1- Summer). Estimated Cost \$11,586.00, By S&L Landscape (\$5,793.00 Per Mowing).
5. 504-017-264600 Oregon Township - Dust Control, up to 3 applications. Estimated Cost \$49,200.00, each application \$16,400.00.
6. 504-017-264601 Oregon Township – Roadside Mowing – 2 complete double pass mowing’s (1- Spring, 1- Fall). Estimated Cost \$12,500.00, by Randy Green (\$6,250.00 per mowing).

7. 504-017-264602 Oregon Township - Brush Axe and Tree Removal on Local Township Roads as directed by Township – Estimated Cost \$10,000 (\$5,000 LCRC special program match).

**Communications**

None

**Managing Director /Engineering Report**

**051326-062**

Motion by Commissioner Howell, seconded by Commissioner Jostock to approve to abandon Coldwater Road PART OF THE NORTH 112 OF SECTION 19 AND PART OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF SECTION 18, T08N - R09E, OREGON TOWNSHIP, LAPEER COUNTY, MICHIGAN, THE CENTER LINE DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 19, WHICH IS S 87°23'28" W 1832.17 FEET FROM THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION; THENCE CONTINUING S 87°23'28" W 1017.34 FEET TO THE NORTH 1/4 CORNER OF SAID SECTION; THENCE S 87°19'52" W, ALONG SAID NORTH LINE, 1554.17 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 19 AND THE PLACE OF ENDING.

Roll call vote: Howell, Aye; Jostock, Aye; Novak, Aye. Motion carried unanimously

Mr. Gingell provided an update for the Director of Maintenance, the crews have been working repairing potholes, grading, tube replacement and brining.

**Public Time -**

Two members of the public spoke on various subjects.

**Closed Session, to discuss Collective Bargaining Matters**

**051326-063**

Motion by Commissioner Novak, seconded by Commissioner Jostock to approve recess into closed session to discuss Collective Bargaining Matters Pursuant to Section 8, c Of the Open Meetings Act.

Roll Call vote: Howell. Aye: Jostock, Aye: Novak, Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

**051326-064**

Motion by Commissioner Novak, seconded by Commissioner Jostock to approve leaving closed session to Discuss Collective Bargaining Matters Pursuant to Section 8, c

Roll call vote: Howell, Aye; Jostock, Aye; Novak, Aye. Motion carried unanimously

**Commissioner Reports and Comments –**

Commissioner Howell says crew are doing a good job., requested to look into the shoulders on Stiles Rd where the berm was pulled.

Commissioner Jostock was seeking an update on the new sign truck.

Being no further business, Chairman Howell declared the meeting adjourned at 5:41 p.m.