

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS
MONROE, MICHIGAN
July 24, 2017**

1. At a Regular Meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners at their offices located at 840 S. Telegraph Road, Monroe, Michigan on Monday, July 24, 2017 the meeting was called to order by Chairman Iacoangeli at 5:35 p.m.

2. Roll Call by Deputy Clerk as follows:

<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>EXCUSED</u>
Charles A. Londo	Stephen J. Pace
Greg W. Stewart	Dan Minton
Paul Iacoangeli	

A quorum being present, the Board proceeded to transact business.

3. Commissioner Iacoangeli led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Commissioner Iacoangeli led the Opening Prayer.

5. Commissioner Stewart moved, seconded by Commissioner Londo to approve the July 24, 2017 regular meeting agenda as presented. Vote: Ayes: 3 Nays: 0 Excused: 2 Motion carried.

6. Public Comment -

Mary Webb, 4167 Post Road in Newport, read a Resolution regarding communication to be presented at the Farm Bureau Annual meeting. She also asked about determining township boundaries. Work was done on Post Road and she believes it may have been stopped short of the township line between Frenchtown and Berlin.

Mr. Pierce indicated he would check into her concerns.

Tim Bordine, 275 E. Monroe Street and Village of Dundee Trustee, thanked the board for looking into the concerns voiced about the intersection of Wells and Dixon Roads. People are happy with the rumble strips and he wanted to compliment the Board for taking action.

7. The following items were listed on the Consent Agenda: *(with immediate effect)*

1) Approval of Minutes- July 10, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes

2) Approval of Journal Entry

No. 394 Payroll Checks #63533-63543 & Advice #21697-21803	\$ 240,082.84
Bank Service Charge - May 2017	\$ 96.60
No. 395 Vendor Checks #70614-70636	\$ 355,113.07
No. 408 Vendor Checks #70637-70681	\$ 411,661.83
No. 411 Vendor Checks #70682	\$ 81,861.71

3) Township Contracts

Bedford Township

Sandywell Drive SAD

Evacuation, Storm Sewer, Aggregate Base, Curb & Gutter,
HMA paving and slope restoration

Raisinville Township

Stewart

Sheets to Doty

HMA Wedging/Surface/shoulders

4) Award the Sandywell Drive Special Assessment District contract to the low bidder, Erie Construction, LLC, in the amount of \$206,426.00, and authorize the Managing Director to sign all documents on behalf of the Board.

5) Approve the agreement with The Mannik & Smith Group, Inc. in the amount of \$21,000 for the construction engineering and inspection services on the Sandywell Drive Special Assessment District project and authorize the Managing Director to sign all documents on behalf of the Board.

- 6) Approve the Agreement for the 2017 Bedford DDA Streetscape project bid through MDOT based on TAP grant monies, and authorize the Managing Director to sign all documents on behalf of the Board.
- 7) Mowing Contractors:
Precision Irrigation & Lawn Care (\$12,000) Exeter Township
Exeter Township (\$5,000) Exeter Township
- 8) Rescind mowing contract between MCRC and Precision Irrigation in the amount of \$16,500 approved May 8, 2017.
- 9) Rescind township contract between Exeter Township and MCRC in the amount of \$16,500 approved by Exeter Township on April 24, 2017 and approved by MCRC on May 8, 2017.

Commissioner Stewart moved, seconded by Commissioner Londo to approve the July 24, 2017 Consent Agenda as presented. Vote: Ayes: 3 Nays: 0 Excused: 2 Motion carried.

8. Unfinished Business – None.
9. New Business –

Commissioner Londo moved, seconded by Commissioner Stewart to authorize Support for the Safety Grant Application for possible safety improvements to the intersection of Ridge, Hack and Westfall Roads in the far northwest corner of Milan Township in conjunction with Washtenaw County Road Commission. Vote: Ayes: 3 Nays: 0 Excused: 2 Motion carried.

10. Report of Officers –

Randy Pierce (Managing Director/Superintendent of Maintenance) – Mr. Pierce directed the Board to the presentation in the back of the room that shows the display that will be set up for the 2017 Monroe County MCRC fair booth. He pointed out the infographic shows what the Road Commission will be accomplishing in 2017 and that a social media survey would be part of this year's booth. He thanked all the staff that put time and effort into developing the information and setting up the booth display. He stated he was encouraged with the direction that the Road Commission was moving and appreciated the Board's support.

Phillip C. Masserant (Director of Finance) – Mr. Masserant was excused.

Keith C. Richard (Director of Operations) – Mr. Richard explained the safety upgrades made at the Wells/Dixon Roads intersection. The rumble strips are the most noticeable improvements, but signs were upgraded to a 36" size with double posts with reflective tape, and trees were trimmed due to site distance obstructions.

**Mr. Richard also updated the Board on the progress on the NE Salt facility. The MCRC has been working since April with Mannik & Smith, an architect and the DEQ. The next step is the township planning board, then the County planning commission for approval. They are also looking to secure water and electric service to the property. Barring any problems and issues, the building process should be complete early November.

Mr. Richard also indicated the crews are in the final week of single chip seals. Ten Mile Creek will be here within the next two weeks to perform base stabilizations, then crews can finish with the double chip seals. He said lots of activity going on in the maintenance division and the employees are responding well.

Commissioner Londo asked if there were any other safety issues that needed to be addressed at this intersection, and how the Road Commission would track any change in driving habits based on the safety improvements made to the Wells/Dixon Road intersection.

Mr. Richard indicated there were no warrants required, but the staff put down the rumble strips as directed by the Board. He explained the need to be careful not to go outside the requirements for warrants and react based on emotional concerns.

Commissioner Stewart agreed that the MCRC needed to eliminate the emotional or antidotal side and keep it statistical and implement safety based on specific and consistent criteria. He felt statistics could either show the need for additional traffic elements, or reveal no improvements are warranted.

Mr. Richard explained that the staff utilized traffic crash data, and criteria from the MUTCD when placing improvements in the area. He assured the Board the staff checks crash data based on increased volume of accidents and fatalities to validate warrants for additional signage or safety measures.

Scott Assenmacher (County Highway Engineer) – Mr. Assenmacher was excused.

Philip Costello (General Counsel) – Mr. Costello was excused.

11. Public Comment – None.

12. Commissioners' Comments -

Commissioner Pace was excused.

Commissioner Stewart had nothing additional to report.

Commissioner Londo had nothing additional to report.

Commissioner Minton was excused.

Commissioner Iacoangeli reminded the Board about making time to work at the fair next week.

13. Adjournment -

Chairman Iacoangeli stated if there are no objections, the meeting is adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Cheryl A. U'Ran

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