

CLARE COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners of Clare County, Michigan, hereinafter referred to as the Board, held at its office at 3900 East Mannsiding Road, Harrison, Michigan on October 1, 2024.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Bill Simpson, Vice-Chairperson.

Commissioners present: Bill Simpson, Merle Harmon, Dave Coker, and Max Schunk

Commissioners absent: Karen Hulliberger

Staff present: Dewayne Rogers, Managing Director; Dave Bondie, Superintendent; Brian Coon, North Road Foreman; Greg Hilyard, South Road Foreman; and Kayla Randle, Finance Director/Board Secretary.

Guest(s) present: Gabe Ambrozaitis; Clare County Board of Commissioners and Pat Adams; Hayes Township Resident

On a motion by Commissioner Coker, seconded by Commissioner Harmon and carried with one absent, it was moved to approve the minutes of the October 1, 2024, regular meeting as presented.

The fund balance report was presented and discussed.

On a motion by Commissioner Coker, seconded by Commissioner Schunk and carried with one absent, it was moved to approve the FY24 payments from October 10, 2024 in the amount of \$118,815.40 (checks 79156-79182).

On a motion by Commissioner Coker, seconded by Commissioner Harmon and carried with one absent, it was moved to approve payments from October 15, 2024: AP (79183-79206), Payroll 10/1 (#54409-54417 #13395-13446), and HRA's totaling \$224,746.45.

Gabe Ambrozaitis, Clare County Board of Commissioners was present to update the board that the board of Commissioners meeting tomorrow where the Road Commission bond will be on the agenda.

There was discussion on the chart for the need for a new building that will be presented tomorrow at the Board of Commissioners meeting.

Dave Bondie, Superintendent talked about the MDOT and Hazard mitigation plans when it comes to emergencies with snow. The board discussed options to plan in case of a major event.

On a motion by Commissioner Coker, seconded by Commissioner Schunk and carried with one absent, it was moved to not sell parcel 007-440-004-01 in Hayes Township.

Kayla Randle, Finance Director/Board Secretary updated the board that the audit will take place the week of December 16th. The board decided to cancel the board meeting on December 17, 2024 while the audit is taking place in the board room.

Brian Coon, North Road Foreman reported crews are blading, mowers are still out, and Cornwell is moving along nicely.

Greg Hilyard, South Road Foreman reported that area drivers are blading, and a crew is on Trout Bridge.

Dave Bondie, Superintendent stated there is a crew spraying bamboo and autumn olive throughout the County, and that they sent four employees to a training where there was a driving rodeo. The four new employees competed in a driving competition against veteran drivers throughout the State and did a great job.

Dewayne Rogers, Managing Director updated having a meeting with CTE on building a Newsletter, paved Ball/Cranberry intersection, Old State Ave, and approaches at Rodgers. Pavers will return to Rodgers to complete paving the week of October 21st. Dewayne talked about the Local RTF meeting, and seasonal help finished last Thursday.

Commissioner Schunk attended the Sheridan Township meeting.

Commissioner Harmon asked about some signage at Dover Rd and Old 27.

Commissioner Coker thanked the crew for the quick response time on cleaning up the gravel spilled on the road at Surrey and Old 27, asked if there would be guardrail put up on the rail for trails along side M115 between Clare and Farwell, thanked the guys who brought equipment down for Family Night out, and asked if there has been any issues at the round-a-bout.

Commissioner Simpson attended Hamilton Townships meeting and asked about visibility issue for advanced notice in Hamilton Township.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

Kayla Randle Finance Director/Board Secretary

Karen Hulliberger, Chairperson