

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 March 3, 2026.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Karen Hulliberger, Chairperson.

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

Staff present: Dewayne Rogers; Managing Director, Dave Bondie; Superintendent, Jake Gee; Engineering, and Kayla Randle; Finance Director/Board Secretary

Guests present: Pat Adams; Hayes Township Resident, and Gabe Ambrozaitis; Clare County Board of Commissioners,

Kayla Randle, Finance Director asked to add six Resolutions under New Business, and Commissioner Hulliberger asked to add a closed session after public comment.

On a motion by Commissioner Hulliberger, seconded by Commissioner Harmon and approved unanimously, it was moved to approve the minutes from February 17, 2026, regular meeting as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Harmon, seconded by Commissioner Hulliberger and approved unanimously, it was moved to approve the minutes from February 17, 2026, closed meeting as presented.

The fund balance report will be presented at the next meeting.

On a motion by Commissioner Hulliberger, seconded by Commissioner Schunk and approved unanimously, it was moved to approve payments from March 3, 2026: AP (80990-81036) totaling \$151,666.59.

Gabe Ambrozaitis, Clare County Board of Commissioners was present to update that the Sheriff's Department will be getting a new sallyport.

On a motion by Commissioner Harmon, seconded by Commissioner Simpson and carried unanimously, it was moved and affirmed by roll call vote to go into closed session under section 8(d) of the Open Meetings Act, to consider the purchase or lease of real property up to the time an option to purchase or lease that real property is obtained at 8:07 am. Roll Call Vote: Harmon; yes, Hulliberger; yes, Coker; yes, Schunk; yes, and Simpson; yes.

The Board came out of closed session at 8:31 am.

Dewayne Rogers, Managing Director updated that the mechanic shop is almost fully enclosed and work in the main office is still ongoing.

On a motion by Commissioner Coker, seconded by Commissioner Harmon it was moved to put in an offer and conditions as recommended by the committee. Yes: Coker and Harmon, No: Schunk, Hulliberger, Simpson. Motion failed.

On a motion by Commissioner Hulliberger, seconded by Commissioner Schunk and approved unanimously, it was moved to approve the Resolution relative to request for federal and state bridge replacement funds on bridge #1777 Keehn Road in Winterfield Township.

On a motion by Commissioner Hulliberger, seconded by Commissioner Schunk and approved unanimously, it was moved to approve the Resolution relative to request for federal and state bridge replacement funds on bridge #1736 Haskell Lake Road in Winterfield Township.

On a motion by Commissioner Hulliberger, seconded by Commissioner Schunk and approved unanimously, it was moved to approve the Resolution relative to request for federal and state bridge replacement funds on bridge #1743 Bailey Ave in Arthur Township.

On a motion by Commissioner Hulliberger, seconded by Commissioner Schunk and approved unanimously, it was moved to approve the Resolution relative to request for federal and state bridge replacement funds on bridge #1745 Poplar Road in Arthur Township.

On a motion by Commissioner Hulliberger, seconded by Commissioner Schunk and approved unanimously, it was moved to approve the Resolution relative to request for federal and state bridge replacement funds on bridge #1746 Poplar Road in Arthur Township.

On a motion by Commissioner Hulliberger, seconded by Commissioner Schunk and approved unanimously, it was moved to approve the Resolution relative to request for federal and state bridge replacement funds on bridge #1767 Washington Road in Sheridan Township.

Kayla Randle, Finance Director gave an update on the audit.

Jake Gee, Engineering gave an update on Brand Ave bridge.

Dave Bondie, Superintendent updated that Hatton Township tabled the Adams Road contract, he received all the schedules for brine and met with Elm Creek about landscaping ideas.

Dewayne Rogers, Managing Director updated that he has a meeting on Beaverton Road next week. He sent the proposal to Senator Hauck's office, and he went to a meeting at MCRCSIP. He also updated that we will be turning the Volvo excavator in for the buy back and purchasing a new John Deere.

Commissioner Schunk stated he was glad we are still taking the trees down on Adams.

Commissioner Harmon thanked the board for all their input regarding the property.

Commissioner Simpson attended a commissioner training, attended Franklin and Hayes Townships meetings, and will be attending Hamilton's meeting this week.

Commissioner Coker stated the Clare Chamber lost their manager and asked the Road Commission to reach out Luke at the City to see if they need help for Irish Festival.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:58 a.m.