

MINUTES OF REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
Monday, April 15, 2024 – 1:30 p.m.

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners of Houghton County, Michigan, was held at the office in Ripley, Michigan on Monday, April 15, 2024 at 1:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Pete Torola Chairman
William H. Siler Vice Chairman
Gene Londo Member
Kevin P. Harju County Engineer
John Cima Assistant Engineer
Lori Budweg Secretary
Roy Britz County Commissioner

GUESTS: Peter Jaszczak, Tim Gasperich, Craig Hughes, Dennis Raasio

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Pete Torola at 1:30 p.m.

Moved by Mr. Siler and supported by Mr. Londo, to approve payment of bills and payrolls in the amount of \$517,297.01, covered by AP vouchers #23/24-44, #23/24-45, and #23/24-47, payroll voucher #23/24-46 and to approve the minutes from the March 25, 2024 monthly meeting. On a voice vote, the motion carried. Ayes 3, Nays 0.

Correspondence was read and discussed.

Moved by Mr. Londo and supported by Mr. Siler, to authorize John, Mike, Rob, Keith, Kevin and any board member that would like, to attend the U.P. Road Builders Summer Meeting. On a voice vote, the motion carried. Ayes 3, Nays 0.

Moved by Mr. Siler and supported by Mr. Londo, to adopt the resolutions and authorize Kevin Harju and/or Pete Torola to sign the contracts for MDOT Job #'s 206727CON, 220744CON, 220647PE, 220648PE, 220649PE, 220651PE & 220744PE. (see attached) On a voice vote, the motion carried. Ayes 3, Nays 0.

Moved by Mr. Siler and supported by Mr. Londo, to approve payment of the MCRCSIP Invoice in the amount of \$125,781.00. On a voice vote, the motion carried. Ayes 3, Nays 0.

Moved by Mr. Siler and supported by Mr. Londo, to accept the bidders on the material and project bids as presented. On a voice vote, the motion carried. Ayes 3, Nays 0.

Moved by Mr. Londo and supported by Mr. Siler, to accept the bidders on the township construction projects bids as presented. These projects will proceed on the condition we receive Section 19 Funds. On a voice vote, the motion carried. Ayes 3, Nays 0.

Moved by Mr. Siler and supported by Mr. Londo, to set the 2024 Dust Control prices as presented. On a voice vote, the motion carried. Ayes 3, Nays 0.

Moved by Mr. Siler and supported by Mr. Londo, to set the 2024 Metal Culvert Prices for riveted culvert as presented. On a voice vote, the motion carried. Ayes 3, Nays 0.

Moved by Mr. Londo and supported by Mr. Siler, to hire two Engineer Tech and six Laborers as summer help. On a voice vote, the motion carried. Ayes 3, Nays 0.

Moved by Mr. Londo and supported by Mr. Siler, to authorize Kevin Harju to proceed with the process to fill the positions of HEO in Calumet when Lanny Pirkola retires in October and the mechanic position in Ripley after Ryan Dube resigned in April. On a voice vote, the motion carried. Ayes 3, Nays 0.

Moved by Mr. Siler and supported by Mr. Londo, to adjourn the meeting at 1:54 P.M., there being no further business. On a voice vote, the motion carried. Ayes 3, Nays 0.

RESOLUTION

Moved by Mr. Siler, supported by Mr. Londo, that the following resolution be unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Houghton County Board of Road Commissioners should enter into an agreement with the Michigan Department of Transportation for the purpose of fixing the rights and obligations of the parties in agreeing to the following:

Control Section:	STL 31000
Job Number:	206727CON
Project:	24A0357
CFDA No.:	20.205(Highway Research Planning & Construction)
Contract No.:	24-5121

Hot mix asphalt base crushing, shaping and resurfacing along Otter Lake Tapiola Road from approximately 700 feet south of Old Road northerly approximately 2.47 miles, including aggregate base and shoulders, culvert replacement, permanent signing and pavement markings; and all together with necessary related work.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the chairman, Pete Torola, and/or engineer, Kevin P. Harju, be authorized to sign said agreements, proposals and/or construction contracts for the above project.

AYES: Torola, Siler, Londo
NAYS: None

Motion Carried.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution made and adopted at the regular meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners of Houghton County, Michigan held on the 15th of April, 2024.

Lori Budweg, Secretary

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Control Section:	ER 31000
Job Number:	220744CON
Project:	24A0370
CFDA No.:	20.205(Highway Research Planning & Construction)
Contract No.:	24-5138

Box culvert replacement along Old M-28 over Dover Creek, Section 8, T47N, R37W, Duncan Township, Houghton County, Michigan including excavation and backfill, box culvert bedding, concrete wingwalls, riprap and aggregate surface course; and all together with necessary related work.

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Control Section: ER 31000
Job Number: 220647PE; 220648PE; 220649PE; 220651PE
Project: 24A0361; 24A00353; 24A0354; 24A0355
CFDA No.: 20.205(Highway Research Planning & Construction)
Contract No.: 24-5136

PART A-ER 31000; JOB#220647PE; 24A0361; FEDERAL PARTICIPATION

The performance of preliminary engineering for approximately 60 feet of shoulder rehabilitation along Canal Road approximately 1,350 feet north of Gedvillas Road, including earthwork, subbase and aggregate base. hot mix asphalt and aggregate shoulder, guardrail and riprap; and all together with necessary related work.

PART B-ER 31000; JOB#220648PE; 24A0353; FEDERAL PARTICIPATION

The performance of preliminary engineering for approximately 150 feet of hot mix asphalt rehabilitation of one lane along Larson Road approximately 600 feet south of Asumaa Road, including aggregate base, aggregate shoulder and permanent pavement markings; and all together with necessary related work.

PART C-ER 31000; JOB#220649PE; 24A0354; FEDERAL PARTICIPATION

The performance of preliminary engineering for approximately 250 feet of hot mix asphalt pavement repair along Obenhoff Road approximately 0.6 miles north of Juntikka Road, including earthwork, aggregate base and permanent pavement markings; and all together with necessary related work.

PART D-ER 31000; JOB#220651PE; 24A0355; FEDERAL PARTICIPATION

The performance of preliminary engineering for approximately 950 feet of hot mix asphalt pavement repair along Old Mill Hill Road approximately 800 feet north of F Street/Stanton Avenue, including earthwork, aggregate base and permanent pavement markings; and all together with necessary related work.

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Project:	24A0367
CFDA No.:	20.205(Highway Research Planning & Construction)
Contract No.:	24-5137

The performance of preliminary engineering for a box culvert replacement along Old M-28 over Dover Creek, including concrete wingwalls, aggregate surface course and aggregate shoulder; and all together with necessary related work.

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