

**APPROVED MINUTES
ALGER COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
Regular Meeting
January 3, 2023
4:00 p.m.**

Pursuant to resolution, the Regular Meeting of the Alger County Road Commission was held at the Munising Board Room. The meeting was called to order by Clerk James Gariepy with the following members present: Pete Heyrman, Marci Taskey & Jack Hubbard. Absent: none.

Also present: Engineer/Manager, Robert Lindbeck, Finance Director, James Gariepy, Branden Ballinger, Heidi Swajanen, Tim Swajanen, Dan Rushford, Shane Bugg, Lawrence Luke, Dan Carlson, Mike Vieu, Alex Murray, Tammy Shega, & Denise Bartlet.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

A motion was made by Heyrman to nominate Jack Hubbard as Chair. Supported by Taskey.
Ayes: Heyrman, Taskey, & Hubbard. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Heyrman to nominate Taskey as Vice-Chair. Supported by Hubbard.
Ayes: Heyrman, Hubbard, & Taskey. Motion Carried.

APPROVAL/CHANGES TO AGENDA

A motion was made by Taskey to approve the agenda as presented. Supported by Heyrman.
Ayes: Heyrman, Taskey, & Hubbard. Nays: None. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES 12/19/22 BUDGET HEARING & 12/19/22 REGULAR MEETING

Taskey made a motion to approve the minutes from the 12/19/22 Budget Hearing as presented. Supported by Hubbard. Ayes: Taskey, & Hubbard. Abstain: Heyrman. Motion carried.

Taskey made a motion to approve the minutes from the 12/19/22 Regular meeting as presented. Supported by Hubbard. Ayes: Taskey, & Hubbard. Abstain: Heyrman. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

2023 Road Builders letter was included.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

A motion was made by Taskey to approve the Accounts Payable, which is due in the January in the amount of \$211,192.46 and to authorize payment when funds are available. Supported by Heyrman. Ayes: Hermann, Taskey & Hubbard. Nays: None. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

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Branden Ballinger asked the commission if he could spoke to the commission regarding the grievance.

Lindbeck explained to the commission that the board designate has dealt with the issue, and is going forward in arbitration.

Heidi & Tim Swajanen spoke about the plowing on Ice Cave Road and their concern about bus turn around and over flow parking. Lindbeck explained that he would speak to Charles Custard about the situation, and determine the best process going forward.

ENGINEER/MANAGER REPORT

MDOT Maintenance Work:
Winter maintenance continues.

State Bridge Bundling Options for Woodland Road Bridge and Kivamaki Road Bridge:
The Woodland Bridge removal has been advanced to a September 1, 2023 bid letting. Preliminary plans have not yet been completed. Both projects are under design.

H-58 over the Sucker River Bridge:
Survey and design work has begun. Preliminary plans include a 40-foot span precast concrete arch bridge structure.

Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP) Grant:
The MDOT Agreement will be forthcoming. We should anticipate a March bid letting, through MDOT. The project will have an August 30, 2023 completion date.

2022 Plow Trucks:
The first truck was delivered to Truck and Trailer Specialties on October 10th. Our first truck is targeted for February 1st completion, and the second truck estimated to be in service March 1st.

2023 Federal Aid Buyout (Eben-Trenary Road, extending 2.10-miles south from M-94):
MDOT has approved supplying the Road Commission with 90% of the federal transportation dollar amount. A State-Local contract has not yet been received. The plans are complete. It is my goal to bid the project in February of 2023.

Lead Mechanic Vacancy:
Mr. Justin Lampin has been hired as the new Lead Mechanic. He is scheduled to start on January 16th. We look forward to having a certified mechanic on board as soon as possible.

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OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Branden Ballinger asked if he could speak to the commission regarding the grievance.

Hubbard explained to Ballinger that grievance is going through the process, and that he should let the issue be solved through the process.

Alex Murray explained to the board that he now has all his certification, and would like to be considered for the lead mechanic position again.

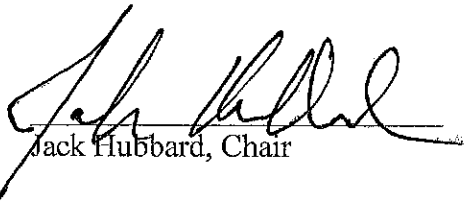
Lindbeck explained to the board that the lead mechanic position has been given to Justin Lampin, and he has sent Alex Murray thanking him for his inquiry into the position.

COMMISSIONER TOPICS

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:30 PM.



Jack Hubbard, Chair

James C. Gariepy, Finance Director