

**UNAPPROVED MINUTES**  
**ALGER COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**November 20, 2023**  
**4:00 p.m.**

Pursuant to resolution, the Regular Meeting of the Alger County Road Commission was held at the Road Commission Office. The meeting was called to order by Chair Marci Taskey with the following members present: Pete Heyrman & John Hermann. Absent: Marci Taskey.

Also present: Engineer/Manager, Robert Lindbeck, Finance Director Daniel Rushford, Dan Carlson, & Brian Menghini.

**APPROVAL/CHANGES TO AGENDA**

A motion was made by John Hermann to approve the agenda. Supported by Marci Taskey. Ayes: Pete Heyrman, Marci Taskey & John Hermann. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES 11/06/23 REGULAR MEETING**

A motion was made by Pete Heyrman to approve the minutes from the 11/06/23 Regular meeting. Supported by Marci Taskey. Ayes: Pete Heyrman, Marci Taskey & John Hermann. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE/OCTOBER FINANCIALS**

John Hermann suggested that our Finance Director should be checking on interest rates as Munising Memorial did and is getting a better rate.

A motion was made by Pete Heyrman to approve the Accounts Payable, which is due in the November in the amount of \$137,510.07 and to authorize payment when funds are available. Supported by John Hermann. Ayes: Pete Heyrman, Marci Taskey & John Hermann. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Brian Menghini, regarding interest rates, advised that the first place to check with rates is with the Alger County Treasurer. They may very well have the best rate.

**ENGINEER/MANAGER REPORT**

**MDOT Maintenance Work:**

Night shift is in effect. Salt deliveries have been received. Ice control sand inventories are in place.

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**State Bridge Bundling Options for Woodland Road Bridge and Kiyamaki Road Bridge:**  
The planning process continues for both structures, with construction delayed beyond 2023.

**H-58 over the Sucker River Bridge:**

Preliminary plans include a 40-foot span precast concrete arch bridge structure. Final plans and advertisement will likely occur in the spring of 2024.

**Chapel Road Construction Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP) Grant:**

Bacco Construction has completed clearing this fall. Construction will begin, after weight restrictions are removed in 2024.

**Rapid River Truck Trail Pavement Reconstruction 2024:**

Paving bids will be advertised in February of 2024.

**Harju Road Pit Purchase Offer:**

As directed by the Board, a written offer was presented to Manulife on November 7, 2023. A copy the written offer is included in this packet.

**2024 H-58 Project (Miners Castle Road to 1.5 miles East):**

MDOT has approved the completed design of this 2024 Federal Aid project. It is on schedule for a January 2024 bid letting. An MDOT Agreement is expected, within the next 60-days.

**AuTrain Pit Gravel Crushing Bids 2024:**

I have advertised for bids to crush 22A specification gravel in 2024. We will need 6,500 tons for the Rapid River Truck Trail project in 2024, as well as 2,800 for our contracted work in Burt Township. We must be prepared for future work in Munising Township for 2025. Sealed bids will be received on November 22, 2023 at 1:00 pm for 25,000 tons of material.

**Asset Management Plan Approved:**

I have received a notice of approval, dated November 8, 2023, that the Alger County Road Commission's Asset Management Plan has been approved. Our plan has been certified to meet the seven required elements in Public Act 325. The due date of the next submittal will be October 1, 2026. A copy of the approval letter is included in this packet.

**Rural Task Force 12A Meeting:**

As chair of Rural Task Force 12A, I have worked with the Central U.P. Planning and Development Agency (CUPPAD) to set a Task Force meeting on November 28, 2023. The meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. at the Alger County Road Commission. Updated Federal allocations were received on October 12<sup>th</sup>. The program funding is fairly static. I will simply submit the Road Commission plan, which was approved by the Board on October 16<sup>th</sup>.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

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None.

**COMMISSIONER TOPICS**

John Hermann had mentioned that West Shore Drive in Grand Island Township needs to be patched. Carlson will look into it.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:40 PM.

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Marci Taskey, Chair

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Daniel Rushford, Finance Director