

APPROVED MINUTES
ALGER COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
Regular Meeting
July 6, 2026
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: Cori-Ann Cearley, Marci Taskey & Scott LaCombe. Absent: None.

Also present: Mickey Rondeau-Alger County Commissioner District 5, Shane Bugg & Sean O'Neill

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Cori-Ann Cearley to approve the agenda. Supported by Scott LaCombe. Ayes: Cori-Ann Cearley, Marci Taskey & Scott LaCombe. Nays: None. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES 6/15/2026 REGULAR MEETINGS

A motion was made by Cori-Ann Cearley to approve the minutes of the 6/15/2026 Regular Meeting. Supported by Marci Taskey. Ayes: Cori-Ann Cearley, Marci Taskey & Scott LaCombe. Nays: None. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

A motion was made by Cori-Ann Cearley to approve the Accounts Payable, which is due in the July in the amount of \$182,272.65, and to authorize payment when funds are available. Supported by Marci Taskey. Ayes: Cori-Ann Cearley, Marci Taskey & Scott LaCombe. Nays: None. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mickey Rondeau-Alger County Commissioner District 5 wanted to thank us for grading North Eben Road (Rock River Township) and asked that we work on the guardrail over the Slapneck River.

Sean O'Neill asked how much longer we will be working on 16 Mile Lake Road. Lindbeck stated that it would be five more working days before it is open.

ENGINEER / MANAGER'S REPORT

MDOT Maintenance Work:

MDOT has issued a Transportation Work Authorization for \$125,000 of M-94 shoulder repairs. We are tentatively planning to rent Schoolcraft County Road Commission's shoulder machine on July 20th.

State Bridge Bundling (Woodland Road Bridge and Kivamaki Road Bridge):

The planning process continues for both structures, with construction delayed until funds are available. EGLE permits are in process for both structures.

Eben Trenary Road Project

Payne & Dolan plans to begin work on September 1st.

Alec Johnson Road Bridge (Federal Critical Bridge Project):

Hebert Construction began work on May 25th. The temporary bridge is now in place. Removal of the existing structure is complete. A plan error in the steel reinforcement quantity has resulted in a 3-week shutdown of work, while the supplier fabricates the added amount. Work is scheduled to resume on July 6th.

Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP) 2027 Project:

The Miners Castle Road Final Plans have been submitted to MDOT. I hope to secure a February, 2027 bid letting.

2027 Federal Aid Buyout (H-13, extending 1.5 miles south from M-28):

I hope to complete surveys, railroad coordination, and design plans, by November. It is my goal to bid the project in February of 2027. We will plan for the project to extend 2.0 miles south from M-28.

Limestone Garage Fuel Tank EGLE Closure Report:

It is my goal to obtain closure status for the underground storage contamination by December 1, 2026. The Closure Plan and all required documents have been submitted to EGLE.

M-77 Culvert Extension Bids:

MDOT has asked that the Road Commission advertise for bids and administer the contract to extend the existing culvert crossing M-77, nearly 1-mile north of the Schoolcraft County line. Sealed bids were opened on June 24th. I recommend award to W.R. Construction, pending MDOT approval.

MDOT Maintenance Contract (2026-2031):

The State Ad Board has given its approval on the new County Maintenance contracts and the process of getting the contracts completed and signed has begun. Our Finance Director, Dan Rushford, and I attended a webinar on June 29th regarding the changes to the contract. We have reviewed the document and have inserted the information that is specific to the Alger County Road Commission. I recommend that the Board pass a resolution approving the Contract #2026-0169 and authorize Robert L. Lindbeck, Engineer-Manager, to sign through MDOT's electronic signature system using engineer@algerroads.org.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

M-77 CULVERT REPAIR BID

A motion was made by Scott LaCombe to accept the bid from Gerou Excavating and WR Excavating for the M-77 Culvert Repair Bid. Supported by Marci Taskey. Ayes: Taskey & LaCombe. Nays: None. Cearley Abstained. Motion Carried.

**State Highway M-77, Burt Township, T48N-R14W, Section 25
Approximately 2.7-miles north of the Alger / Schoolcraft
County Line**

	Gerou Excavating, Inc	WR Excavating, Inc
TOTAL BID AMOUNT	\$272,300.00	\$151,037.00

A motion was made by Scott LaCombe to award the bid from W.R. Excavating for \$151,037.00 for the M-77 Culvert Repair. Supported by Marci Taskey. Ayes: Taskey & LaCombe. Nays: None. Cearley Abstained. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

COMMISSIONER TOPICS

SECOND JULY MEETING CHANGE

The board requests that the regular scheduled meeting for July 20, 2026 be cancelled and that the next regular board meeting afterwards be on August 3, 2026 at 4:00 pm. Approval was given to the Finance Director to pay all bills due in the month of July within the approval of the 2026 Budget.

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ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:25 PM.

Marci Taskey, Chair

Daniel Rushford, Finance Director