

**BOARD OF MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES**

NO 2042

The regular meeting of the Board of Road Commissioners was held in their offices in the City of Big Rapids, Michigan on Tuesday, May 16, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Members Present: John Currie, Van Johnson, Mike Wernette

Members Absent:

Member Present from Board of County Commissioners: Jerrilynn Strong

Administrative Staff Present: Tim Nestle, Manager/Superintendent and Amy Kailing, Finance Director/Clerk.

Minutes from April 18, 2023 were approved as written.

Green Township Resident asked if/when 200<sup>th</sup> bridge south of 21 mile was going to be replaced. The Board informed resident the project is scheduled for 2024. Resident also asked the Board to educate workers about Oak wilt disease and avoid cutting Oak trees between April 15 and July 15.

Fork Township resident asked if more warning can be given to drivers on Coleman to stop at M66 intersection, there have been a few bad accidents.

Jerrilynn Strong, Mecosta County Commissioner, informed the Board 4 paramedics have finished the paramedic class but only 2 have passed the test so far, 603 ambulance runs in the last month, the county received \$881,000 in marijuana funds and have received \$1.6 million in requests, a workshop has been scheduled for June to review all requests.

Amy Kailing reviewed financials, annual OPEB report, and Corrective Action Monitoring Plan with the Board.

A motion to approve annual Engineering Reimbursement was made by John Currie and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion carried.

A motion to open gravel haul bids and gravel trailer bids was made by 9:30 am by John Currie and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion carried.

A motion to purchase 2 V-bottom gravel trailers with the stipulation that gravel road maintenance improves was made by John Currie and seconded by Van Johnson. Motion carried on a roll call vote with John Currie and Van Johnson voting yes and Mike Wernette voting no.

A motion to approve dust control contracts from Big Rapids Township, Hinton Township, Fork Township, Green Township, and the Village of Morley was made by John Currie and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion carried.

A motion to accept township projects from Morton Township, Deerfield Township, Chippewa Township, Sheridan Township, Martiny Township, Fork Township, Mecosta Township, and Morton Township.

The Board reviewed the 2023 project list.

A motion to approve Resolution 23-06 was made by John Currie and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed capital outlay.

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A motion to approve purchasing a skid steer trailer from May bid opening was made by John Currie and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

Board reviewed incident/accident report.

The Board reviewed correspondence.

The Board approved Morton Township bike committee request to install informational bike signs.

A motion to pay the bills was made by John Currie and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

A motion to adjourn the regular scheduled meeting at 10:57am was made by John Currie and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion carried.

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