

The regular meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners of the Shiawassee County Road Commission was held on Tuesday, August 10th, 2021, at 7:30 a.m. meeting of the Shiawassee County Road Commission, 701 West Corunna Avenue, Corunna, MI 48817-1229.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman, John Michalec.

Commissioners Present: John Michalec, Ric Crawford & Mike Constine.

Staff Present at the Shiawassee County Road Commission: Interim Managing Director, Chris Cannon, Office Manager/Deputy Clerk, Andrea Montague, Superintendent of Operations, Troy Howes, Equipment Superintendent, Jeremy Dietz, and AFSCME Local 1071.1 Steward, Rick Musall.

VISITORS:

There were no visitors.

AGENDA:

A motion was made by Commissioner Crawford, supported by Commissioner Constine, to approve the agenda.

All Ayes.

Motion Carried.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Commissioner Constine, supported by Commissioner Crawford, to approve the minutes from July 27th, 2021.

All Ayes.

Motion Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS:

The following communications were received: A) Deb Kestner, Commissioner Saginaw County Road Commission, asking for a vote in the upcoming election for the County Road Association Self-Insurance Fund (CRASIF) Board of Trustee position.

A motion was made by Commissioner Constine, supported by Commissioner Crawford, to accept the communications as presented and place them on file.

All Ayes.

Motion Carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS:

RATE INCREASE – MICHAEL R. KLUCK & ASSOCIATES:

Michael R. Kluck & Associates are requesting a rate increase, effective for July 15, 2021 billing. The current rate is \$165.00 per hour and the letter informs us of a rate increase of \$20.00/hour, increasing to \$185.00 per hour. The current rate has not been increased since 2011.

A motion was made by Commissioner Constine, supported by Commissioner Crawford, to approve the rate increase from \$165.00 per hour to \$185.00 per hour effective July 15th, 2021.

All Ayes.

Motion Carried.

RESCIND POLICY NO. 41-REMOTE WORK POLICY:

A motion was made by Commissioner Crawford, supported by Commissioner Constine, to rescind, effective August 10th, 2021, Policy No. 41-Remote Work Policy, adopted November 24th, 2020, and place it on file.

All Ayes

Motion Carried.

POLICY NO. 42 – CONFERENCES AND OVERNIGHT LODGING POLICY:

Adopted by the Board of County Road Commissioners August 10th, 2021. Due to Covid-19 pandemic, it is the policy of the Shiawassee County Road Commission that any conference attended by any employee or Commissioner that includes overnight lodging reservations are to be made for each employee and/or Commissioner separately. No employee or Commissioner will share a room with another employee or Commissioner until further notice.

A motion was made by Commissioner Crawford, supported by Commissioner Constine, to approve Policy No. 42 – Conferences and Overnight Lodging Policy and place it on file.

All Ayes

Motion Carried.

STAFF REPORTS:

Interim Managing Director, Chris Cannon, reported on the following: A) MDOT State Trunkline Contract – Received last week, no significant changes were needed. We will add it to the next board meeting for approval. B) Woodhull Township (Consumers Power) – Consumers is adding a temporary storage lot between Braden and M-78 at the McKenzie pit. Chris explained that Consumers has offered to pave Braden Road from Woodbury Road to just east of Dunn Road, which is approximately 1.25 miles from Woodbury Road to their new proposed drive entrance. This would be completed in the spring of 2022. This is a great thing for the County and Township. Consumers stated that they would have approximately 70 cars per day traveling from their garage on Braden Road. No large Consumers trucks would be on Braden Road. C) Pavement Markings (Bid for 2022) – M&M Paving stated that their price

was going to increase for 2022. We will need to re-bid this in the Spring D) Traffic Counts – All railroad traffic counts are completed. Beau Morse (temporary summer help) last day of work will be this Thursday. Chris Cannon said Beau has done a great job, learning very quickly E) Culvert Inventory (Beau) –Beau has four (4) remaining townships for culvert inventory of 36” and above F) Culverts – Tony Newman/County – Chris Cannon and Tony Newman spoke Monday about Covid-19 Relief Funds being used for new projects in the county. John Plowman has said it looks promising for the Drain Commission to receive funds for these projects from the County, for installation of new culverts over county drain crossings. G) Court Case-Flury/Holzhausen – Chris Cannon explained that the Shiawassee County Road Commission was removed on the lawsuit, but that he has to testify as a witness today.

Office Manager/Accounts Payable Clerk/Deputy Clerk, Andrea Montague, reported on the following: A) Total loss of revenues for 2020, due to Covid-19. Lost wages 3/24/2020-5/28/2020 totaled \$123,873.05. Hours lost totaled 5,165.50: AFSCME Local 1071.1 Employees = 4,605 hours, Administrative Employees = 507.5 hours. MTF 2020 lost revenue totaled \$600,081.37. Total dollar amount for 2020 lost due to COVID-19 = \$723,954.42.

Superintendent of Operations, Troy Howes, reported on the following: A) Gradall is working in Vernon Township. B) 15 townships have had brine completed. Antrim will have brine put down on Thursday. Gravel projects will be brined when they are completed. C) L&D Trucking is hauling gravel for Antrim Township. Owosso, New Haven, and Rush Townships are finished. D) Bridge crews are working on next year’s project, which is Durand Road. E) Arm mowers are working on the contract agreements. Middlebury and Burns Townships are complete. Currently working in Owosso and Vernon Townships. F) Highway mowing has started on M-Routes and I-69 this week. Commissioner Constine said Elm to M-21 is mowed beautifully, and complimented Rick Musall on a job well done.

Garage Superintendent, Jeremy Dietz, reported on the following: A) CRASIF Insurance, building is in good shape, with no issues. When they went to the work zone, a truck was parked in front of a road closed sign without its strobe lights on. CRASIF told them that they need to have their lights on the vehicle. Commissioner Michalec asked what was next to fix here at the building or grounds. Jeremy Dietz explained big ticket items: Paving the parking lot, new wash bay, new covered storage building, and perhaps a building fund should be started. Chris Cannon suggested the restroom at the Perry salt barn should get finished, because it is already plumbed. B) Trucks that drove in the County Fair Truck Show was a great success. Ryan Kreuger and Clarence Jodway drove their work trucks in the parade. Commissioner Crawford remarked that there was 73 trucks in the parade and he was happy that the Road Commission was represented. C) Jeremy Dietz suggested having the small plows that could be for scrap, painted and put on display in the front of SCRC. He mentioned getting the schools involved for students to paint the plows. Every Commissioner loved the idea, and even suggested using them in the parade for next year. D) Troy Howes new F-150 work truck is here and finished and will be on the road today.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

A motion was made by Commissioner Constine, supported by Commissioner Crawford, to approve Accounts Payable Voucher #5845 (Checks 19882-19935) totaling \$327,648.20. Payroll vouchers #5844 (Checks 26291 - 26302) totaling \$55,082.15 including direct deposits of \$49,620.58.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes, Commissioners Constine, Crawford and Michalec.

Nays, None.

Motion Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no public comments.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS:

Commissioner Constine mentioned that the light at the intersection light on M-21 is fixed.

Commission Crawford said on Kirby Road, where he lives, there are flags marking both sides of the road and asked if we were working on that section of road or knew who was? Troy Howes explained that we are not doing any work at that location at this time. Interim Managing Director, Chris Cannon stated that he would let Commissioner Crawford know if we heard who it was working out there.

ADJOURN:

Motion by Commissioner Constine, supported by Commissioner Crawford, to adjourn at 8:16 a.m.

All Ayes.

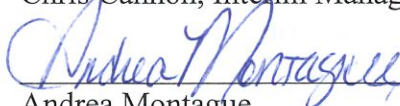
Motion Carried.

The next regular board meeting is Tuesday, August 24th, 2021, at 7:30 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Chris Cannon, Interim Managing Director



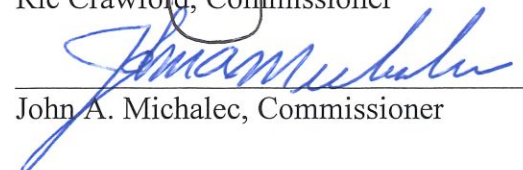
Andrea Montague
Office Manager/Deputy
Clerk



Mike Constine, Commissioner



Ric Crawford, Commissioner



John A. Michalec, Commissioner