

**LAPEER COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION**  
**VIRTUAL PHONE-REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**Wednesday, May 20, 2020**  
**4:30 p.m.**

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Present. Mr. James Novak, Jr. Chairman; Mr. Dale Duckert, Vice Chairman; Mr. Les Nichols, Member; Mrs. Linette Weston, Board Secretary; Mr. Erick Pearson, Managing Director; Mr. Destain Gingell, County Highway Engineer; Mr. Zeb Schons, Superintendent of Operations

Chairman Novak called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. via teleconference.

**Approval of Agenda**

**052020-069**

Motion by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Duckert to approve the agenda. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Novak, Nichols, Duckert. Motion carried

**Approval of Prior Board Meeting Minutes**

**052020-070**

Motion by Commissioner Nichols seconded by Commissioner Duckert to approve the Regular Meeting minutes for May 6, 2020. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Novak, Nichols, Duckert. Motion carried

**Approval of Disbursements**

**052020-071**

Motion by Commissioner Duckert, seconded by Commissioner Nichols to approve the Accounts Payable and Payroll dated May 21, 2020 in the amount of \$446,029.82. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Novak, Nichols, Duckert. Motion carried

**Approval of Road Project Agreements**

**052020-072**

Motion by Commissioner Duckert, seconded by Commissioner Nichols to approve the thirty-three Road Project Agreements in the amount of \$1,880,479.62.

**Almont Township**

504-001-203025 Hollow Corners Culvert between Kidder and Glover 36" x 36' Estimated Cost: \$6,966.00 Township

504-001-203026 Hough Road Culvert between Kidder and Scotch Settlement 18" x 40' Estimated Cost: \$4,636.00 Township

504-001-203028 Hollow Corners Road Culvert over Sleeper Drain 103" x 71" x 131' Estimated Cost: \$80,836.00/ \$40,418 Bridge Fund/\$40,418 Township

489-001-203029 Tubspring Road between Howland and Kidder Road Overlay Estimated Cost: \$231,646.00 Township

**Arcadia Township**

504-002-203122 Brush Axe & Tree Removal Program Estimated Cost; \$10,000/LCRC \$5,000/Township \$5,000

504-002-203123 Ditching Program, Estimated Cost; \$10,000/LCRC \$5,000/Township \$5,000

**Dryden Township**

504-007-203620 Dust Control, Up to 3 Applications, Road Maintenance Estimated Cost: \$49,898.40 Township

504-007-203621 Roadside Mowing, LCRC, Estimated Cost: \$12,252.00/LCRC \$6,126.00/Township \$6,126.00

504-007-203622 Brush Axe & Tree Removal Program Estimated Cost; \$10,000/LCRC \$5,000/Township \$5,000

504-007-203623 Ditching Program Estimated Cost; \$10,000/LCRC \$5,000/Township \$5,000

489-007-203624 5,000 Ton Limestone, Leveled and Brined Estimated Cost: \$110,250.00 Township

504-007-203625 Lake George Road, Between Hough and County Line, Culvert 15" x 50' Estimated Cost: \$9,377 Township

504-007-203626 Hollow Corners Road between Hodges and Lake George Road, 18" x 40' Culvert Estimated Cost: \$3,011.00

504-007-203627 Hodges Road between Hollow Corners and Sutton, 18" x 40' Culvert Estimated Cost: \$3,011 Township

489-007-203629 12,000 Ton Gravel, Ribble Pit, Haul, Spread Level (Upcharge for longer run) Estimated Cost: \$143,040.00

**Elba Township**

504-008-203724 Washburn Road Culvert at Lippincott, 18" x 40' Estimated Cost: \$5,321.00 Township

489-008-203725 Elba Road Rehabilitation, between Lippincott and I-69, Tree removal, culvert replacement, drainage, embankment, restoration, traffic control, inspection Estimated Cost: \$325,174.03 Township

**Goodland Township**

504-009-203820 Dust Control, One Application, Road Maintenance Estimated Cost: \$17,586.00 Township

**Lapeer Township**

489-012-204125 Myers Road, Between Bowers Road and Imlay City Road Crush, shape, pave, shoulders Estimated Cost: \$394,426.00 Township

**Mayfield Township**

504-014-204320 Dust Control, Up to 4 Application, LCRC Estimated Cost: \$13,550.40 Township

504-014-204321 Roadside Mowing, LCRC, Two Mowings Estimated Cost: \$12,976/LCRC \$6,488/Township \$6,488

504-014-204322 Brush Axe and Tree Removal Program, Estimated Cost; \$10,000/LCRC \$5,000/Township \$5,000

504-014-204323 Ditching Program, Estimated Cost; \$10,000/LCRC \$5,000/Township \$5,000

**Metamora Township**

489-015-204425 Gravel, 10,000 Ton @\$11.27/Ton, Load, Haul, Brine Estimated Cost: \$112,700.00 Township

**North Branch Township**

504-016-204520 Dust Control, Up to 3 Applications, Road Maintenance, Estimated Cost: \$61,056.79 Township

504-016-204522 Brush Axe and Tree Removal Program, Estimated Cost; \$10,000/LCRC \$5,000/Township \$5,000

504-016-204523 Ditching Program, Estimated Cost; \$10,000/LCRC \$5,000/Township \$5,000

504-016-204524 Five Lakes Road Culvert between Oak Grove and Gravel Creek, 15” x 32’ Estimated Cost: \$2,200 Poly

**Oregon Township**

504-017-204622 Brush Axe and Tree Removal Program, Estimated Cost; \$10,000/LCRC \$5,000/Township \$5,000

504-017-204623 Ditching Program, Estimated Cost; \$10,000/LCRC \$5,000/Township \$5,000

504-017-204624 Flint River Road Ditching, 12” x 30’ Culvert Estimated Cost: \$54,730.00 Township

489-017-204625 Smith Road, 350 Ton Gravel and Ditching, 12” x 210’ Culverts Estimated Cost: \$117,786.00 Township

489-017-204626 Carpenter Road, 500 Ton Gravel, Estimated Cost: \$8,350.00 Township

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Novak, Nichols, Duckert. Motion carried

**Managing Director Report**

Mr. Pearson spoke briefly about the Road Project Agreements and gave an explanation of the Heavy Maintenance Road Project Agreements.

Mr. Pearson reported that we were working with MDOT to assist Midland County with the use of our Type III Barricades. Mr. Pearson explained that Mr. Schons has been communicating with Mr. Art Buck, Superintendent/Midland County Road Commission, regarding assistance they may need.

Mr. Pearson stated that he has recently been asked if the millage will still be on the ballot. Mr. Pearson explained to the Board that the Committee for the millage proposal was unable to gather for their kick-off meeting in March and will be rescheduling very shortly to discuss the feasibility of moving forward with the proposal.

Mr. Pearson explained that MDOT has approached the Road Commission and is asking to make a cut in the current budget. Mr. Pearson stated that we agreed to cancel the Transportation Work Authorization (TWA) for ditching on the state trunklines in the amount of \$100,000.00.

**Superintendent Report**

Mr. Schons explained that the primary dust control should be wrapped up today and the crews will begin the Township Dust Control projects. Mr. Schons spoke briefly about the emergency cross culvert project on Fish Lake Road which has caused a closure.

Mr. Schons reported that the crews will begin the ditching work on Elba Road tomorrow.

**Engineering Report**

Mr. Gingell stated that there are two crews working on Bronson Lake Road, and the Oregon Road project will start next week.

**Finance Director Report**

Mrs. Weston thanked the Board for the finished office remodel project. Mrs. Weston stated that having the project almost complete when the pandemic hit the State worked out perfectly. The office staff was able to move into the new offices and keep the separation required. Mrs. Weston went on to state that the security glass at the front desk will also provide the needed protection for the employees and the public when the doors reopen again. Mrs. Weston stated that a big thank you needs to go out to Mr. Brain Brittan and the Family Building Company crew as they went out of their way to get the project complete earlier than scheduled.

**Public Comment**

No public comment was received.

**Commissioner Comments**

Mr. Novak stated that he would like to have the Board return to having meetings at the Road Commission. Mr. Duckert and Mr. Nichols agreed. Mr. Pearson stated that the staff and the public will continue to participate in the meeting virtually in order to maintain the required safe distancing.

Mr. Nichols stated that the roads look nice and the crews are doing a good job. Mr. Duckert reported that the rain beat up the roads again.

Chairman Novak declared the meeting adjourned at 4:56 p.m.

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James Novak Jr., Chairman

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Linette Weston, Board Secretary