

**MINUTES
EMMET COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
HARBOR SPRINGS, MICHIGAN**

The Emmet County Board of Road Commissioners met in regular session at the office in Harbor Springs, June 18, 2026. Chairman Frank Zulski called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. and led the pledge of allegiance.

Commissioners Present:

Frank Zulski – Chairman Wade Williams – Vice Chairman James Kargol – Member

Staff Present:

Brent Shank – Engineer/Manager	James Godzik – Permit/CADD Technician
Ed Zmikly – North Road Foreman	Art Beach – South Road Foreman
Tony Shaler – Shop Foreman	Lisa Kleeman - Finance Director/Board Clerk
Travis Horrocks – Engineer Technician	

Guests Present:

Bill Dohm – Little Traverse Twp. Supervisor	John Eby – Maple River Twp. Supervisor
Nate Hall	Garrett Muir–Bear Creek Twp. Deputy Supervisor

Guests and Staff Present via Zoom:

Chelsea Drayton – Administrative Assistant	David Boyer – Emmet County Administrator
George Bloomfield	Al Welsheimer–Resort/Bear Creek Fire Chief

AGENDA:

It was moved by Zulski, seconded by Kargol, to approve the agenda, adding a Closed Session.

Ayes: Kargol, Williams, Zulski

Nays: None

Motion carried

MINUTES:

It was moved by Kargol, seconded by Williams, to approve regular session minutes of May 21, 2026.

Ayes: Kargol, Williams, Zulski

Nays: None

Motion carried

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

It was moved by Zulski, seconded by Williams, to approve accounts payable vouchers:
Voucher 2623 for checks 61510-61540 and electronic payments in the amount of \$183,389.92
Voucher 2625 for checks 61551-61601 and electronic payments in the amount of \$719,584.27

Ayes: Kargol, Williams, Zulski

Nays: None

Motion carried

PAYROLL:

It was moved by Williams, seconded by Kargol, to approve payroll vouchers:

Voucher 2624 for checks 61546-61550 and electronic deposits/payments of \$120,595.78

Voucher 2626 for checks 61602-61606 and electronic deposits/payments of \$121,744.60

Ayes: Kargol, Williams, Zulski

Nays: None

Motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- a. Nate Hall, Conway Storage – Requesting to be on July 16, 2026, meeting agenda for a waiver request for curbs or use an existing driveway as the current plan would require 110 feet of culvert and significantly increase the cost of the installation.

APPOINTMENTS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- a. It was moved by Zulski, seconded by Williams, to approve the purchase of two Chevrolet 3500 HD flat rack trucks for Levering.

Ayes: Kargol, Williams, Zulski

Nays: None

Motion carried

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. It was moved by Williams, seconded by Zulski, to approve the project for Pennsylvania Avenue and Cedar Lane in Little Traverse Township and award the bid to Payne and Dolan, Inc.

Ayes: Kargol, Williams, Zulski

Nays: None

Motion carried

- b. It was moved by Kargol, seconded by Williams, to approve the project for North Conway Road in Pleasantview Township and award the bid to Rieth-Riley Construction Co., Inc.

Ayes: Kargol, Williams, Zulski

Nays: None

Motion carried

- c. It was moved by Zuluski, seconded by Kargol, to authorize the Engineer-Manager to vote in the best interest of the road commission for the CRASIF Ballot.

Ayes: Kargol, Williams, Zuluski

Nays: None

Motion carried

- d. It was moved by Zuluski, seconded by Williams, to authorize the Engineer-Manager to vote in the best interest of the road commission for the MCRC SIP Ballot.

Ayes: Kargol, Williams, Zuluski

Nays: None

Motion carried

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ENGINEER-MANAGER REPORT: Shank stated there is a lot going on and Lower Shore Drive work continues.

ENGINEER-TECHNICIAN REPORT: Horrocks discussed the following:

- Robinson Road project is completed.
- Brutus Road project will begin after July 13th.
- Chipseal project is roughly 85% completed and the fog seal is about 65% completed.
- Centerline and edge line painting will begin soon, weather dependent.
- MDOT I75 fencing project is in process.
- MDOT I75 attenuator project at the bridge will start next week.
- MDOT has a few other projects in process that we are helping with; water over M119 near Beach Road and soil erosion monitoring at the culvert washout near Cross Village.

PERMIT/CAD TECHNICIAN REPORT: Godzik had nothing to report.

SHOP FOREMAN REPORT: Shaler discussed the following:

- Hoist should be completed in two weeks.
- Energren Tractor rental and repair question from Commissioner Williams.

ROAD FOREMEN REPORTS: Beach and Zmiky stated they have been working on finishing ice storm clean up, mowing, culvert and drainage issues from the flooding, cleaning spillways, dealing with Miss Dig issues with Spectrum, grading for dust control, patching, and working on seasonal roads.

FINANCE DIRECTOR REPORT: Kleeman distributed and discussed the Michigan Transportation Funds Report for April. The next board meeting is Thursday, July 16, 2026.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

- a. Kargol - None
- b. Williams - None
- c. Zulski - None

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- a. Bill Dohm, Little Traverse Township Supervisor – Does MDOT have a plan for fixing the flooding on M119? Shank stated MDOT is working on a solution.
- b. Nate Hall, Conway Storage – Discussed the option of removing the proposed driveway and instead use an existing driveway.

It was moved by Zulski, seconded by Kargol, to begin closed session to discuss the bargaining unit contract negotiations at 8:22 a.m.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Kargol

Ayes: Williams

Ayes: Zulski

Nays: None

Motion carried

It was moved by Zulski, seconded by Williams, to end closed session and go back into open meeting at 8:54 a.m.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Kargol

Ayes: Williams

Ayes: Zulski

Nays: None

Motion carried

Commissioner Zulski adjourned the meeting at 8:55 a.m.

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Lisa Kleeman, Finance Director-Clerk of the Board

Date