

BOARD OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS
FOR OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN

Thursday, August 5, 2021

1. THE meeting was called to order by the Chair of the Board, Andrea LaLonde at 9:00 A.M. in the Board Room of the County Road Commission Offices, 31001 Lahser Road, Beverly Hills, Michigan. Initial notice of the meeting was posted on November 09, 2020, in compliance with provisions of Act 267 of 1976.

An updated notice of the meeting with remote participation access was posted on April 2, 2020, in compliance with provisions of Act 267 of 1976, Section 3a and other applicable sections.

ROLL CALL: LALONDE – PRESENT; QUARLES – PRESENT; FOWKES – PRESENT

Dennis Kolar, Managing Director
Gary Piotrowicz, Deputy Managing Director
Jennifer Henderson, General Counsel
Melissa Williams, Director of Finance Department
Brad Knight, Director of Planning and Environmental Concerns – Remote/Beverly Hills, MI
Darryl Heid, Director of Highway Maintenance – Remote/Waterford, MI
David Czerniakowski, Director of Customer Services – Remote/Waterford, MI
Samuel Fitzer, Director of Engineering Department
Mary Gillis, Director of Central Operations – Remote/Waterford, MI
Danielle Deneau, Director of Traffic-Safety – Remote/Waterford, MI
Pam Cahill, Director of Human Resources – Remote/Beverly Hills, MI
Craig Bryson, Public Information
Shannon Miller, Deputy-Secretary/Clerk of the Board

2. Chair LaLonde lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

3. MOVED BY: FOWKES SUPPORTED BY: QUARLES

THAT the Retirement Commendation New Business Item be moved to up to Item No. 9 and the Board approve the agenda for July 22, 2021, as amended.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Chair LaLonde recognized the following member of the public who wished to address the Board:

Dr. Muhommed Hussain
53324 Par Valley Court
West Bloomfield, MI 48323

Dr. Hussain submitted an overview of a request for financing for subdivision road repairs for Golf and Country Club Estates in West Bloomfield Township. The residents have not been successful in passing an S.A.D. and would like a private contractor to perform repairs. A small discussion was held in which the S.A.D. process/statute was reviewed. Dennis Kolar, Managing Director, explained the work from a private contractor would also not hold any warranties as they do with the S.A.D. procedure. Chair LaLonde explained his best option would be to contact the township and thanked Dr. Hussain for his input.

5. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

THE Board approve the minutes of July 22, 2021, as written.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Chair LaLonde asked Dennis Kolar, Managing Director, to review the status of State and Local Executive orders in place addressing the COVID-19 pandemic. Mr. Kolar presented the following:

As mentioned at our last meeting, our building is now open to the public, as of Monday, August 2. All visitors are required to wear masks, regardless of vaccination status. We are happy to take this step forward, and we will continue to monitor for any necessary changes.

There has been an uptick in cases, both locally and state-wide. Oakland County's weekly average is approximately 73 cases per day, which is up from approximately 48 cases per day the previous week. Although the state is testing at approximately a third of the amount compared to at the height of the pandemic, the state-wide positivity rate is now near 6%. This increase is a good reminder for all of us to stay vigilant with social distancing, washing our hands, and other health measures. We are watching the community transmission data from the CDC and are aware Oakland County has moved from the moderate to substantial level.

Our daily self-screenings continue, and we had a report of our first case internally since April. We continue to enforce our Response Plan, and make any further adjustments as needed, as the health and safety of our employees is our first priority.

- 7A. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

RESOLVED, that checks numbered 504609 through 504671; and, ACH payments 52035 through 52066 numbered 95 be approved for payment for an aggregate amount of \$2,568,371.28; and check 503964 voided; and,

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Oakland County Treasurer be directed to pay the checks from the funds in the County Road Account.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7B. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

RESOLVED, that checks numbered 504672 through 504715; and, ACH payments 52067 through 52088 numbered 66 be approved for payment for an aggregate amount of \$1,291,502.97; and,

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Oakland County Treasurer be directed to pay the checks from the funds in the County Road Account.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

THAT Permits applications issued by the Road Commission for Oakland County, Customer Service Department, be approved and become effective on the date issued:

	62370	Through		62402	Construction Permits
S	0479	Through	S	0524	Driveway Permits

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

Hans F. Austermann has served as a Rodman, Survey Assistant, Instrument Operator, Engineering Technician I, and Engineering Technician II; and

WHEREAS, Hans F. Austermann has been a valued employee of the Road Commission for Oakland County since April 27, 1989; and

WHEREAS, he served the Road Commission for Oakland Count and the citizens of Oakland County for 32 years and 4 months to his retirement on September 1, 2021; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board extends to Hans F. Austermann its sincere appreciation of his dedicated service and best wishes for his retirement.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

WHEREAS, Vibe Credit Union owns land known as 44575 W. 12 Mile Road, part of Tax Parcel No. 22-15-126-023, in the City of Novi, County of Oakland, State of Michigan (the "Property"). The Property is designated as Road Commission R/W Misc. Number 13-1100, and is more particularly described in the records of this Board's Engineering Department, with said description being incorporated by reference herein;

WHEREAS, Twelve Mile Road in the City of Novi, is a county road under the jurisdiction and control of the Board;

WHEREAS, the owner wishes to convey the Property to the Board, and has executed a Highway Easement as a voluntary dedication;

WHEREAS, the Property has the following record ownership and parties in interest:

Vibe Credit Union
44575 W. 12 Mile Road
Novi, MI 48377

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the relevant materials regarding the Property and is otherwise informed about the subject matter;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED this Board hereby approves the Highway Easement, as proposed, and authorizes the Right of Way Division to complete the transaction and record the necessary documents with the Oakland County Register of Deeds.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11A. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

WHEREAS, the Martindale Road structure (RCOC ID No. 1107A), south of Travis Road crossing the Novi-Lyon Drain in Section 8, Charter Township of Lyon, Oakland County, Michigan is under the jurisdiction and control of this Board; and

WHEREAS, Section 631 of 1949 PA 300 (MCLA 257.631; MSA 9.2331) authorized this Board to conduct an investigation of any bridge, causeway, or viaduct that is under its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, this Board has conducted such an investigation of the Martindale Road structure to determine what, if any, speed and local restrictions should apply to same; and

WHEREAS, Section 631 of 1949 PA 300 directs this Board to determine and declare the maximum speed of vehicles or load which the structure can withstand and to cause or permit suitable signs stating that maximum speed and load limitations to be erected and maintained not more than 50 feet from each end of the structure, and also at a suitable distance from each end of the bridge to enable vehicles to take a different route, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED; that this Board makes the finding and determination in accordance with Section 631 of 1949 PA 300:

Maximum weight of vehicles which use such bridge or structure carrying Martindale Road over Novi-Lyon Drain shall be 10 Tons Gross Weight; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Board directs that suitable signs stating the above maximum load limitations to be erected and maintained not more than 50 feet from each end of the structure, and also at a suitable distance from each end of the bridge to enable vehicles to take a different route.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11B. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

WHEREAS, the 11 Mile Road structure (RCOC ID No. 1108A), east of Milford Road crossing the Novi-Lyon Drain in Sections 15 and 22, Charter Township of Lyon, Oakland County, Michigan is under the jurisdiction and control of this Board; and

WHEREAS, Section 631 of 1949 PA 300 (MCLA 257.631; MSA 9.2331) authorized this Board to conduct an investigation of any bridge, causeway, or viaduct that is under its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, this Board has conducted such an investigation of the Martindale Road structure to determine what, if any, speed and local restrictions should apply to same; and

WHEREAS, Section 631 of 1949 PA 300 directs this Board to determine and declare the maximum speed of vehicles or load which the structure can withstand and to cause or permit suitable signs stating that maximum speed and load limitations to be erected and maintained not more than 50 feet from each end of the structure, and also at a suitable distance from each end of the bridge to enable vehicles to take a different route, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED; that this Board makes the finding and determination in accordance with Section 631 of 1949 PA 300:

Maximum weight of vehicles which use such bridge or structure carrying 11 Mile Road over Novi-Lyon Drain shall be 12 Tons Gross Weight; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Board directs that suitable signs stating the above maximum load limitations to be erected and maintained not more than 50 feet from each end of the structure, and also at a suitable distance from each end of the bridge to enable vehicles to take a different route.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12A. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

WHEREAS, Loop Road between 14 Mile Road and Commerce Crossing is under the jurisdiction of this Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board has been requested to temporarily close Loop Road between 14 Mile Road and Commerce Crossing in order to facilitate a sewer lining; and

WHEREAS, 1917 PA 165, as amended, authorizes this Board to close roads or portions of roads under the jurisdiction of this Board, which roads and portions of roads are under repair; and

WHEREAS, no County road under the jurisdiction and control of this Board shall be closed under the provisions of said Act until suitable barriers have been erected at the ends of the County road under repair, or the closed portion thereof, suitable barriers being those which conform to the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices, adopted pursuant to Section 608 of 1949 PA 300; and

WHEREAS, no County road under the jurisdiction and control of this Board shall be closed under the provisions of 1917 PA 165, as amended, until a suitable detour around said County road is provided and placed in a reasonably safe condition for the passage of traffic, and proper warning signs are installed along said detour as is determined to be necessary to plainly mark the same; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with the provisions of 1917 PA 165, as amended, Loop Road between 14 Mile Road and Commerce Crossing will hereby be closed on July 22, 2021 through August 6, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a detour is hereby established; such detour route being 14 Mile Road to Haggerty Road to Maple Road of which all are under the jurisdiction of this Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the D.V.M. Utilities is hereby directed to supply, install, maintain and remove suitable barriers, signs and lighting in accordance with the detour plans supplied by the D.V.M. Utilities and with the provisions of the aforesaid statute. The contractor is also directed to provide additional signs as may be required by the Board.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12B. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

WHEREAS, Giddings Road between Silverbell Road and Waldon Road is under the jurisdiction of this Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board has been requested to temporarily close Giddings Road between Silverbell Road and Waldon Road in order to facilitate a railroad crossing repair; and

WHEREAS, 1917 PA 165, as amended, authorizes this Board to close roads or portions of roads under the jurisdiction of this Board, which roads and portions of roads are under repair; and

WHEREAS, no County road under the jurisdiction and control of this Board shall be closed under the provisions of said Act until suitable barriers have been erected at the ends of the County road under repair, or the closed portion thereof, suitable barriers being those which conform to the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices, adopted pursuant to Section 608 of 1949 PA 300; and

WHEREAS, no County road under the jurisdiction and control of this Board shall be closed under the provisions of 1917 PA 165, as amended, until a suitable detour around said County road is provided and placed in a reasonably safe condition for the passage of traffic, and proper warning signs are installed along said detour as is determined to be necessary to plainly mark the same; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with the provisions of 1917 PA 165, as amended, Giddings Road between Silverbell Road and Waldon Road will hereby be closed on August 6, 2021 through August 7, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a detour is hereby established; such detour route being Silverbell Road to Joslyn Road to Waldon Road of which all are under the jurisdiction of this Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that CN Railroad is hereby directed to supply, install, maintain and remove suitable barriers, signs and lighting in accordance with the detour plans supplied by CN Railroad and with the provisions of the aforesaid statute. The contractor is also directed to provide additional signs as may be required by the Board.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12C. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

WHEREAS, 10 Mile Road at Pierce Street is under the jurisdiction of this Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board has been requested to temporarily close 10 Mile Road at Pierce Street in order to facilitate sanitary sewer installation; and

WHEREAS, 1917 PA 165, as amended, authorizes this Board to close roads or portions of roads under the jurisdiction of this Board, which roads and portions of roads are under repair; and

WHEREAS, no County road under the jurisdiction and control of this Board shall be closed under the provisions of said Act until suitable barriers have been erected at the ends of the County road under repair, or the closed portion thereof, suitable barriers being those which conform to the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices, adopted pursuant to Section 608 of 1949 PA 300; and

WHEREAS, no County road under the jurisdiction and control of this Board shall be closed under the provisions of 1917 PA 165, as amended, until a suitable detour around said County road is provided and placed in a reasonably safe condition for the passage of traffic, and proper warning signs are installed along said detour as is determined to be necessary to plainly mark the same; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with the provisions of 1917 PA 165, as amended, 10 Mile Road at Pierce Street will hereby be closed on August 9, 2021 through September 7, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a detour is hereby established; such detour route being Southfield Road to Lincoln Drive to Greenfield Road of which Southfield Road and Greenfield Road are under the jurisdiction of this Board. The City of Southfield approved the use of Lincoln Drive for the proposed detour.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Pamar Enterprises, Inc. is hereby directed to supply, install, maintain and remove suitable barriers, signs and lighting in accordance with the detour plans supplied by Pamar Enterprises, Inc. and with the provisions of the aforesaid statute. The contractor is also directed to provide additional signs as may be required by the Board.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13A. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

THAT the Board approve and sign Contract Authorization No. 4 for 2020 Mobile Screening and Crushing, Project No. 2020990 in the amount of \$5,536.50 or 46.8% increase over the original contract price of \$140,143.25 with Great Lakes Fusion, 7505 E M71, Durand, MI 48429.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13B. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

THAT the Board approve and sign Contract Authorization No. 2 for 2021 Gravel Program, Project No. 202130 in the decreased amount of \$21,085.64 to allow for an increase to the Limestone pay item with Jackie's Transport; original contract price of \$1,076,953.50 with Pierce and Pitt Trucking, Inc., 7694 Shawn Drive, Imlay Caty, MI 48444.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13C. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

THAT the Board approve and sign Contract Authorization No. 2 for 2021 Gravel Program, Project No. 202130 in the amount of \$145,575.00 or 17.45% increase over the original contract price of \$1,212,928.00 with Jackie's Transport, Inc., 7811 Chubb Road, Northville, MI 48168.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13D. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

THAT the Board approve and sign Contract Authorization No. 1 for 2021 Preservation Overlay Program, Project No. 2021098 in the amount of \$363,178.81 or 54.3% increase over the original contract price of \$668,581.80 with Ace-Saginaw Paving Co. North Division, 2981 Carrollton Road, Saginaw, MI 48642.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13E. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

THAT the Board approve and sign Contract Authorization No. 1 for 2021 Preventative Maintenance, Project Nos. 54712, 55421, 55431, 55441, and 55902 in the amount of \$68,140.94 or 1.09% increase over the original contract price of \$6,244,565.32 with Cadillac Asphalt, LLC, 39255 Country Club Drive, Suite B20, Farmington, MI 48331.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

14. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

THAT the Board approve and sign the 2021 Grading Agreement with the City of Pontiac for a segment of Gallogly Road within the city's jurisdiction; and authorize the Managing Director to execute the agreement on behalf of the board.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

15. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

THAT the Board approve and sign the Memorandum of Understanding Agreement with Great Lakes Water Authority for Design and Construction of the 96-inch Diameter Water Transmission Main Relocation Project; and authorize the Managing Director to execute the agreement on behalf of the board.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

16. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

WHEREAS, this Board, in cooperation with the Michigan Department of Transportation, has programmed the removal and replacement of the Avon Road structure over the Clinton River and the roundabout construction on Avon Road at Dequindre Road, in the City of Rochester Hills, as Road Commission for Oakland County Project No. 55233; and

WHEREAS, this Board has received Michigan Department of Transportation Contract No. 21-5322 for:

PART A – JOB #207705CON; MCS 63000; STATE PARTICIPATION

The removal and replacement of the structure #8182, which carries Avon Road over the Clinton River, Section 13, T03N, R11E, Rochester Hills, Oakland County, Michigan; including reconstruction of the approaches; and all together with necessary related work.

PART B – JOB #207705CON; MCS 63000; NO STATE PARTICIPATION

Structure name plate and aesthetic fencing along the limits as described in PART A; and all together with necessary related work.

PART C – JOB #209492CON; STU 63000; FEDERAL PARTICIPATION

Roundabout construction along East Avon Road at Dequindre Road, including asphalt and concrete pavement, sidewalk, curb and gutter, activated crosswalk signals and pavement markings; and all together with necessary related work.

PART D – JOB #209492CON; STU 63000; NO FEDERAL; PARTICIPATION

Watermain, storm sewer, sanitary sewer, irrigation restoration, aesthetic fencing and sculpture foundation along the limits as described in PART C; and all together with necessary related work.

WHEREAS, paragraph 19 of Contract No. 21-5322 states:

“This contract shall become binding on the parties hereto and of full force and effect upon the signing thereof by the duly authorized officials for the parties hereto; upon the adoption of the necessary resolution approving said contract and authorizing the signatures thereto of the respective officials of the REQUESTING PARTY, a certified copy of which resolution shall be attached to this contract; and with approval by the State Administrative Board.”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Board approves Michigan Department of Transportation Contract No. 21-5322 for the removal and replacement of the Avon Road structure over the Clinton River and the roundabout construction on Avon Road at Dequindre Road, in the City of Rochester Hills, Oakland County, Michigan; and by this resolution authorizes the Managing Director to execute the contract on behalf of the Board.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

17A. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

THAT bids were advertised for, electronically opened and posted on Tuesday, May 25, 2021 for Truck Mounted Attenuators and Arrow Boards, IFB No. 1415. A complete tabulation of bids exported from MITN/Bid Net Direct shall remain on file in the Clerk's Office of the Road Commission. Bids were solicited from several suppliers with four response(s) received.

THE Board accept and award the bid to the low bidder meeting specifications from Traffix Devices, Incorporated, San Clemente, CA with a total net bid price of \$113,676.80, with terms of net 45-60 days ARO, FOB destination; all other bids be rejected and the Board authorize the Managing Director to act on behalf of the Board.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

17B. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

THAT bids were advertised for, electronically opened and posted on Tuesday, July 13, 2021 for Wide Area Vehicle Detection System, Annual Estimated Quantities. A complete tabulation of bids exported from MITN/Bid Net Direct shall remain on file in the Clerk's Office of the Road Commission. Bids were solicited from several suppliers with one response(s) received.

THE Board accept and award the bid to the sole bidder meeting specifications from Carrier & Gable, Inc., Farmington Hills, MI in the amount of \$352,568.25, with terms of net 30 days, FOB destination; and the Board authorize the Managing Director to act on behalf of the Board.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

18. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

THAT bids were advertised for, received, electronically opened and posted on Tuesday, July 27, 2021 for: 2021 SAD Repair Program, Project No. 55942:

Contractor's Name	Amount of Bid
Midwest Pavement Contracting, Inc.	\$ 167,730.70
Great lakes Contracting Solutions, LLC	\$ 194,262.80
Asphalt Specialists, Inc.	\$ 211,771.00
Gibraltar Construction Company	\$ 344,432.00

THE Board accept the proposal of the low bidder Midwest Pavement Contracting, Inc.; in the amount of \$167,730.70, that all other bids be rejected, and the Board authorize the Managing Director to act on behalf of the Board to proceed with requirements to execute a contract for this Project upon receipt of the necessary bonds and insurance and all other related documents.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

19. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

TCO NO.: TS 755-11-2021

WHEREAS, under the provisions of Chapter VI of Act No. 300, Public Acts of Michigan of 1949, as amended (Michigan Vehicle Code), this Board is authorized to place and maintain traffic control devices and traffic control signals on any highway under its jurisdiction for the purpose of regulating, warning or guiding traffic; and

WHEREAS, Grand River Avenue, Automation Boulevard and Lyon Oaks Drive are county roads under the jurisdiction of this Board in the interest of public safety it is deemed necessary to place and maintain certain traffic control devices and/or signals on said highways to regulate, warn or guide traffic.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that at the intersection of Grand River Avenue and Automation Boulevard/Lyon Oaks Drive, in the Charter Township of Lyon, a traffic signal shall be installed and operated in accordance with the Board's Policy as directed by the Director of Traffic-Safety.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy hereof be filed with the County Clerk of the County of Oakland, Michigan.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

22. There was no new business.

22. THERE being no further business to come before the Board of Road Commissioners, Oakland County, Chair LaLonde adjourned the meeting at 9:32 A.M.


 Shannon Miller, Deputy-Secretary/Clerk of the Board