

BOARD OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS
FOR OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN

Thursday, August 19, 2021

1. THE meeting was called to order by the Chair of the Board, Andrea LaLonde at 6:00 P.M. in the Oakland County Service Center, Building #12 East, Pernick Aaron Conference Room, Oakland County Court House Auditorium, 1200 N. Telegraph Road, Pontiac, 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
Darryl Heid, Director of Highway Maintenance
David Czerniakowski, Director of Customer Services
Samuel Fitzer, Director of Engineering Department
Mary Gillis, Director of Central Operations
Danielle Deneau, Director of Traffic-Safety
Pam Cahill, Director of Human Resources
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 Board approve the agenda for August 19, 2021, as written.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. There were no members of the public wishing to address the Board.

5. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

THE Board approve the minutes of August 5, 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:

The last two weeks have been a roller coaster of data. Unfortunately, we have seen state and local case numbers continue to rise. The state-wide positivity rate is currently over 7.5%. As a result, the state is now reporting data three times a week, on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. We are happy to report we have had only one new positive case internally. However, Oakland County is “high” on the CDC’s level of community transmission.

At this time, both MDHHS and MIOSHA have issued specific guidance, based on the current CDC recommendations. Currently, there are no state-wide requirements or mandates, although some local communities, businesses and schools are re-instating mask requirements. Given our extremely low positive case status internally, we are maintaining our current mask policy: all visitors and all non-vaccinated employees are required to wear masks, and masks are optional for vaccinated employees. Employee daily self-screenings continue per our Response Plan. We will continue to monitor local case rates and any internal cases, and make any adjustments needed.

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

RESOLVED, that checks numbered 504716 through 504757; and, ACH payments 52089 through 52125 numbered 80 be approved for payment for an aggregate amount of \$3,896,425.28; 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 504758 through 504793; and, ACH payments 52126 through 52158 numbered 69 be approved for payment for an aggregate amount of \$1,667,248.56; 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:

	62403	Through		62455	Construction Permits
S	0564	Through	S	0580	Driveway Permits

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9A. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

WHEREAS, Heights Road between Pine Tree Road to M-24 in Orion Township is under the jurisdiction of this Board;

WHEREAS, the Board was requested to temporarily close Heights Road between Pine Tree Road to M-24 in order to facilitate sanitary structure adjustments within the paved roadway, following the recent preservation overlay; and

WHEREAS, due to scheduling restrictions, the county Highway Engineer authorized the closure of Heights Road between Pine Tree Road to M-24 on the following dates, August 16 through August 18, 2021.

WHEREAS, 1917 PA 165, as amended, authorizes the Board to close roads or portion of roads which are under 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.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in accordance with the provisions of 1917 PA 1665, as amend, Heights Road between Pine Tree Road to M-24 in Orion Township will be hereby closed on the following dates, August 16 through August 18, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Board ratifies the action of the County Highway Engineer in authorizing the physical closing of Heights Road between Pine Tree Road to M-24 in the Township of Orion.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a detour is hereby established; such detour route being Pine Tree Road to Clarkston Road to M-24 in Orion Township. Pine Tree Road and Clarkston Road are under the jurisdiction of this Board. M-24 is under the jurisdiction of MDOT. Authorization from MDOT Oakland TSC was received.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Traffic-Safety Department is hereby directed to erect suitable barriers and signing in reference to the above-described road closure and detour, such barriers and signing to be erected in accordance with the provisions of the aforesaid statute.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9B. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

WHEREAS, Milford Road over Buckhorn Creek, in Rose Township is under the jurisdiction of this Board; and

WHEREAS, Milford Road over Buckhorn Creek is to be improved, which improvement will necessitate the temporary closure of Milford Road between Water Road and Demode Road located in Rose Township, Oakland County, Michigan; 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, Milford Road between Water Road and Demode Road located in Rose Township, Oakland County, Michigan, will hereby be closed from approximately August 23, 2021 through approximately October 22, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a detour is hereby established; such detour route being traffic traveling north on Milford Road will be directed to continue west on Middle Road, north on Hickory Ridge Road, then east on Fenton Road back to Milford Road. Traffic traveling south on Milford Road will be directed west on Fenton Road, South on Hickory Ridge Road, then east on Middle Road back to Milford Road. These roads are under the jurisdiction of the Road Commission for Oakland County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Traffic-Safety Department, is hereby directed to have erected suitable barriers and signing in reference to the above-described road closure and detour, such barriers and signing to be erected in accordance with the provisions of the aforesaid statute.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9C. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

WHEREAS, Sashabaw Road at Oak Hill Road roundabout construction is under the jurisdiction of this Board; and

WHEREAS, Sashabaw Road at Oak Hill Road is to be improved, which improvement will necessitate the temporary closure of Sashabaw Road at Oak Hill Road intersection located in Brandon and Independence Townships, Oakland County, Michigan; 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 reasonable 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, Sashabaw Road at Oak Hill Road intersection located in Branon and Independence Townships, Oakland County, Michigan, will hereby be closed from approximately August 30, 2021 through approximately November 15, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a detour is hereby established; such detour route being traffic traveling north on Sashabaw Road will be directed to continue east on Clarkston Road, north on Baldwin Road, and then west on Seymour Lake Road back to Sashabaw Road. Traffic traveling south on Sashabaw Road will be directed east on Seymour Lake Road, south on Baldwin Road and then west on Clarkston Road back onto Sashabaw Road. These roads are under the jurisdiction of the Road Commission for Oakland County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Traffic-Safety Department, is hereby directed to have erected suitable barriers and signing in reference to the above-described road closure and detour, such barriers and signing to be erected in accordance with the provisions of the aforesaid statute.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10A. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

THAT the Board approve and sign Contract Authorization No. 3 for District 8 Building / Testing Lab Renovation in the amount of \$18,326.65 or 3.26% increase over the original contract price of \$3,027,890.00 with F.H. Martin, 28740 Mound Road, Warren, MI 48092.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10B. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

THAT the Board approve and sign Contract Authorization No. 1 for 2021 24-inch Joint Repair Program in the amount of \$202,800.00 or 95.8% increase over the original contract price of \$211,715.00 with Cadillac Asphalt LLC.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

THAT the Board approve the Local Cost Participation Agreement / Tri-Party Program with West Bloomfield Township for Greer Road from Hiller Road to Rosedale Avenue; Project No. 56372 and authorize the Managing Director to execute the agreement on behalf of the Board.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

THAT the Board approve the Connected Vehicle Roadside Deployment Agreement with WSP Michigan, Inc. for design services on 14 Mile Road from Barrington Road to Dequindre Road at seven traffic signals; and authorize the Managing Director to execute the agreement on behalf of the Board.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13A. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

THAT bids were advertised for, electronically opened and posted on Tuesday, June 15, 2021 for Telescopic Sign Post, Annual Estimated Quantities, IFB No. 1385.1. 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 reject all bids and rebid immediately due to limited availability, extended lead time and firm one-year pricing.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13B. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

THAT bids were advertised for, electronically opened and posted on Tuesday, July 27, 2021 for six (6) Miller Millermatic 255 Welder Running Gear, IFB No. 1588. 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 six response(s) received.

THE Board accept and award the bid to the low bidder meeting specifications from Praxair Distribution, Inc., Pontiac, MI with a total bid price of \$23,220.00, with terms of net 45 days, FOB destination; all other bids be rejected and the Board authorize the Managing Director to act on behalf of the Board.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

14. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

THAT bids were advertised for, received, electronically opened and posted on Tuesday, August 10, 2021 for: Traffic Signal Modernization at 10 Locations, Project No. 902021-2:

Contractor's Name	Amount of Bid
Rauhorn Electric, Inc.	\$ 2,592,415.30
Dan's Excavating, Inc.	\$ 2,637,855.63
Motor City Electric Utilities Company	\$ 2,659,408.29
J. Ranck Electric, Inc.	\$ 2,714,768.29

THE Board accept the proposal of the low bidder Rauhorn Electric, Inc.; in the amount of \$2,592,415.30, 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

15. MOVED BY: QUARLES SUPPORTED BY: FOWKES

THAT the Board approve the purchase of Rock Salt for Ice Control utilizing the State of Michigan MiDeal Contract No. 171-180000000768 from Detroit Salt Company, Detroit, MI in the amount of \$2,989,350.00.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

16. There was no new business.

17. THERE being no further business to come before the Board of Road Commissioners, Oakland County, Chair LaLonde adjourned the meeting at 6:17 P.M.

Shannon Miller Digitally signed by Shannon Miller
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Shannon Miller, Deputy-Secretary/Clerk of the Board