

Present: Commissioners Slusarski, Emery, Brown
Scott Merillat, Managing Director
Jason Schnaidt, Director of Operations
Beth Hunt, Director of Finance & HR
John Veres, Director of Traffic, Safety and Permits
Bryan Ramsdell, Fleet and Facilities Manager
Torin Merillat, SE District Supervisor
Kevon Martis, Lenawee County Commissioner

Deputy Clerk Hunt called the organizational meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. and led in the pledge to the flag.

Deputy Clerk Hunt opened the floor to receive nominations for the election of Board Chairman. Commissioner Emery moved that Mike Slusarski be nominated and Commissioner Brown supported. There being no other nominees, the nominations were closed. Deputy Clerk Hunt called for votes for Mike Slusarski as Chairman. AYES: Commissioners Emery, Brown and Slusarski NAYS: None.

Nominations were opened for the election of the Vice-Chairman. Commissioner Slusarski nominated Todd Brown and Commissioner Emery supported. There being no other nominees, the nominations were closed. Deputy Clerk Hunt called for votes for Todd Brown as Vice-Chairman. AYES: Commissioner Brown, Slusarski and Emery. NAYS: None.

Commissioner Emery moved to retain the law firm of Jeffrey J. Juby, Law Office of Jeffrey J Juby as primary legal counsel. Commissioner Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Brown moved to retain the law firm of Foster, Swift, Collins & Smith, P.C., as the labor attorney. Commissioner Slusarski seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Attorney Juby thanked the board for retaining him for 2026. Attorney Juby discussed the condemnation Lawsuit with Citizen's Gas. After reviewing the consent judgement with the board, he recommended approval. Commissioner Brown moved to approve the consent judgement and authorize Attorney Juby to sign the consent judgement. Commissioner Emery seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Emery moved that the minutes of the board meeting held December 18, 2025 be approved. Commissioner Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Emery moved to approve the minutes for the 2026 Budget public hearing held December 18, 2025. Commissioner Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve the minutes for the 2026 Permit Fee Requirements public hearing held December 18, 2025. Commissioner Slusarski seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Martis updated the board on County events.

Southeast District Supervisor Merillat presented the District Supervisors report.

Fleet and Facilities Manager Ramsdell presented the Fleet and Facilities report.

Commissioner Slusarski moved to approve the following permits:

12/16/25	2025-520	Gady Rd	Midwest to bore under Gady Rd to install primary electric line for new subdivision. 1 bore
12/18/25	2025-222	Devils Lake Hwy	Consumers Energy to install OH electric service to 10201 Devils Lake Hwy, shoulder closure possible.
12/18/25	2025-523	Codling Rd	Comcast to install ~2289' of UG coaxial cable in conduit using directional bore along and crossing Codling Rd. - 3 bores
12/22/25	2025-524	Devils Lake Hwy	Consumers replacing OH electric service. Installing UG electric service to 7906 Devils Lake Hwy from existing pole in ROW. Possible shoulder closure.
1/2/26	2025-533	Beecher Rd	Relocation of Merit Network's existing UG fiber via directional bore along Beecher Rd.
12/30/25	2025-531	O'Felan Ct	Frontier to place 580' fiber optic cable by boring and placing HDPE duct and pulling cable within the ROW along and crossing O'Felan Ct. 1 bore
12/30/25	2025-528	Butler Ct	Frontier to place 739' fiber optic cable by boring and placing HDPE duct and pulling cable within the ROW along and crossing Butler Ct. 2 bores
12/30/25	2025-529	Tara Ct	Frontier to place 415' fiber optic cable by boring and placing HDPE duct and pulling cable within the ROW along Tara Ct.
12/30/25	2025-530	Devon Ct	Frontier to place 363' fiber optic cable by boring and placing HDPE duct and pulling cable within the ROW along Devon Ct.
12/30/25	2025-527	O'Geany Ct	Frontier to place 770' fiber optic cable by boring and placing HDPE duct and pulling cable within the ROW along and crossing O'Geany Ct. 2 bores

12/30/25	2025-526	Dalton Rd	Frontier to place 6451' fiber optic cable by boring and placing HDPE duct and pulling cable within the ROW along and crossing Dalton Rd. 15 bores
12/30/25	2025-525	Irish Mist	Frontier to place 4115' fiber optic cable by boring and placing HDPE duct and pulling cable within the ROW along and crossing Irish Mist. 12 bores
12/30/25	2025-535	Springville Hwy	Frontier to place 4491' fiber optic cable by boring and placing HDPE duct and pulling cable within the ROW along and crossing Springville Hwy. 7 bores
12/30/25	2025-536	Stephenson Rd	Frontier to place 2005' fiber optic cable by boring and placing HDPE duct and pulling cable within the ROW along and crossing Stephenson Rd. 4 bores
12/30/25	2025-537	Gilbert Hwy	Frontier to place 168' fiber optic cable by boring and placing HDPE duct and pulling cable within the ROW along and crossing Gilbert Hwy. 1 bore
12/30/25	2025-538	O'Brien Ct	Frontier to place 747' fiber optic cable by boring and placing HDPE duct and pulling cable within the ROW along and crossing O'Brien Ct. 2 bores
12/30/25	2025-539	Wadding Dr	Frontier to place 5563' fiber optic cable by boring and placing HDPE duct and pulling cable within the ROW along and crossing Wadding Dr. 26 bores
12/30/25	2025-540	Castlebar Ln	Frontier to place 2432' fiber optic cable by boring and placing HDPE duct and pulling cable within the ROW along and crossing Castlebar Ln. 5 bores
12/30/25	2025-541	Barron Ct	Frontier to place 696' fiber optic cable by boring and placing HDPE duct and pulling cable within the ROW along and crossing Barron Ct. 1 bore
12/30/25	2025-542	Sherlock Dr	Frontier to place 2701' fiber optic cable by boring and placing HDPE duct and pulling cable within the ROW along and crossing Sherlock Dr. 11 bores

Permit Number	Permittee	Effective Date	Description of work to be completed in the right-of-way	Worksite Address/ County Roads
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2026R0001	Consumers Energy ROW Permits	01/09/2026	INSTALL LONG SIDE GAS SERV TO MAIN IN ROW	9765 DEVILS LAKE HWY
2026R0002	Consumers Energy ROW Permits	01/09/2026	Install new semi-deep ground bed in ROW.	6550 Silberhorn Hwy
2026R0003	Michigan Electric Transmission Company	01/06/2026	Blanket	Blanket

Commissioner Emery seconded. Motion carried.

Director of Traffic, Safety and Permits Veres presented his report.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve the purchase of three Monroe 12' plows from Truck and Trailer for \$10,604.00 each. Commissioner Slusarski seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Slusarski moved to approve the following companies for the 2026 Sign bid: Lightle, Dornbos, and MD Solutions. Commissioner Brown seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve P.K. Contracting for 2026 pavement markings. Commissioner Slusarski seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Slusarski moved to approve Shrader Tire for the 2026 Recapping, Spotting and Section Repairing of Tires. Commissioner Brown seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve the bid from Stoneco for Crushed Limestone. Commissioner Emery seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve the bid from Marathon Petroleum for Asphalt Cement for \$455 per ton. Commissioner Slusarski seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Slusarski moved to approve the bid from Jenson Bridge and St. Regis for Corrugated Metal Pipe for 2026. Commissioner Brown seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve the bid from Advanced Drainage for Dual Wall Plastic Pipe for 2026. Commissioner Emery seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Slusarski moved to approve the bid from MI Chloride Sales for Mineral Brine for 2026. Commissioner Brown seconded. Motion carried.

Director of Operations Schnaidt provided information to the board on a salt barn for the Adrian facility from Clear Heights Construction, LLC. Information was also provided for the 2026 Township Meeting schedule and comparison bids from 2025.

Commissioner Slusarski called for recess at 10:38 a.m. Returned at 10:48 a.m.

Commissioner Slusarski moved approval of the December 26, 2025 payroll of \$193,333.39. Commissioner Emery seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Brown moved approval of the January 9, 2026 payroll of \$199,411.15. Commissioner Emery seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Slusarski moved approval of the January 15, 2026 payables of \$808,593.87. Commissioner Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Slusarski moved to approve the sale of the Wetland Property to MDOT. Commissioner Emery seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Brown offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

Be it resolved that
CONTRACT No. 25-5604, Control Section BFP 46000, Job Number 223622CON
by and between the
MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
and the
BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF LENAWE COUNTY
is hereby accepted.

The following Official is authorized to sign the said contract:
Scott A. Merillat, Managing Director

Supported by Commissioner Emery

ADOPTED: AYES: Commissioners Emery, Slusarski, Brown
 NAYES: None
 ABSENT: None

Commissioner Brown moved to vote for Robert Emery to the FSA County Committee. Commissioner Slusarski seconded. Motion carried.

Managing Director Merillat reviewed the 2026 Schedule of Events.

Commissioner Slusarski motioned to change the February 5, 2026 meeting to January 29, 2026. Commissioner Brown seconded. Motion carried.

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Managing Director Merrillat advised the board that the Beecher Road Bridge was bid in January with Davis Construction being the low bidder. Managing Director Merrillat also discussed the allocation of Neighborhood Road Funds for the Local Roads Policy.

Commissioner Emery moved that the meeting be adjourned at 11:40 a.m. Commissioner Brown seconded. Motion carried.


Chairman


Board Secretary