

January 21, 2026

The regular meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of St. Clair was held on Wednesday, January 21, 2026, at 8:01 am in the St. Clair County Road Commission's Central Service Center, 21 Airport Drive, St. Clair, Michigan.

Present: Chairman Timothy LaLonde, Vice-Chairman Timothy Ward, Commissioner Michael Lauwers, Managing Director William Hazelton

Citizens: Gabe Dunsmore, Chuck LaFontaine, Gavin Veldman, John Peruski, Jim Blake, Jeremy Ingles, Kyle Haley, Chris Chavez, Paul Zeller, Noel Frye (arrived 20 minutes late)

Minutes: Chairman LaLonde stated if there were no corrections or additions to be made to the minutes of the regular meeting of January 7, 2026 the minutes would stand as presented. No corrections or additions, the minutes were approved as submitted.

Citizens wishing to address the Board:

John Peruski, Chuck LaFontaine, Jim Blake and Chris Chavez introduced themselves and shared prepared statements about the proposed health insurance changes.

VOUCHERS:

		Motion		
		<u>To Approve</u>	<u>Second</u>	<u>Action</u>
#25383	\$313,114.79	Ward	Lauwers	Carried 3-0
#25384	\$220,813.31	Ward	Lauwers	Carried 3-0
#25385	\$306,152.39	Ward	Lauwers	Carried 3-0

CAPITAL OUTLAY – HYDRAULIC HAMMER:

On a motion by Commissioner Lauwers seconded by Commissioner Ward the approval of the purchase of a hydraulic hammer in the amount of \$11,237.50 from MacAllister Cat. Motion carried 3-0.

CAPITAL OUTLAY – SINGLE AXLE TRUCK:

Commissioner Lauwers inquired about how many single axle trucks we currently have. Director Hazelton stated that we have two. Director Hazelton noted that the urban areas of District 3 and 4 have a need for single axle trucks. On a motion by Commissioner Ward seconded by Commissioner Lauwers the approval of the purchase of a single axle truck in the amount of \$323,942.00 from D&K Truck Company and Truck and Trailer Specialties. Motion carried 3-0.

SUMMER INTERNS:

On a motion by Commissioner Ward seconded by Commissioner Lauwers the approval of hiring 7 temporary summer interns. Motion carried 3-0.

2026 CAPE SEAL PROGRAM BID:

On a motion by Commissioner Lauwers seconded by Commissioner Ward the approval of Pavement Maintenance System 2026 Cape Seal Program bid in the amount of \$552,389.55. Motion carried 3-0.

AWARD ANNUAL MATERIAL & SERVICE BIDS:

On a motion by Commissioner Ward seconded by Commissioner Lauwers that the following bids for materials and services be approved per staff recommendations:

- Crack Sealant – Crack Sealant be awarded to Crafc0, Inc.
- Bituminous Materials – Plant Mix be awarded to Ace Saginaw and Ajax based on price and availability at time of need.
- Bituminous Materials – Cold Patch be awarded to Pavement Maintenance Systems.
- Limestone Aggregate – Private Dock be awarded to Blue Water Aggregate, Detroit Bulk, and St. Clair Aggregate based on price and availability at time of need.
- Corrugated Metal Pipe be awarded to Jensen Bridge.
- Signs, Blanks and Sheeting be awarded to Vulcan.
- Guardrail be awarded to Nationwide Construction, Jensen Bridge, and Action Traffic Maintenance based on price and availability at time of need.
- Underbody Scraper Blades with Tungsten Carbide Inserts be awarded to Valk.
- Fuel – Gasoline & Diesel be award to Petroleum Traders.
- Natural Aggregate be awarded to Weber Sand & Gravel.
- Catch Basin Cleaning be awarded to Rogue.
- Weed, Brush, Phragmites Spraying - Phragmite spraying be awarded to PLM Lake & Land and the Brush spraying at intersections be awarded to Owen Tree Service.
- Mowing I-69, I-94, and the Lapeer Connector be awarded to Kevin’s Lawn Care.
- Contractor Equipment Rental Services be awarded to all bidders based on price and availability at time of need.

Motion carried 3-0.

REPORTS:

The Board received the following reports:

- Cash Flow Report
- Accounting Report – Balance Sheet
- Quarterly Conference Report
- MTF Monthly Report
- Winter Maintenance Report
- Engineering Status Report
- Permit Status Report
- Credit Card Report
- Winter Operations Report

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

Director Hazelton discussed the budget and the effects of the snow we have been receiving. The amount of salt used to date was discussed and the concern the foremen have over running low or running out. Director Hazelton explained revenue for the last few months has been low but we should start seeing an uptick in funding a few months into 2026. New tax collection starts with the calendar year and revenue is a few months behind to us. Director Hazelton explained that a few more health insurance options were requested and quotes are expected towards the end of the week. Those quotes would be presented to the Unions.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to come before the Board, it was moved by Commissioner Ward seconded by Commissioner Lauwers to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 am. Motion carried 3-0.

Timothy Ward, Vice-Chairman

Tammy Marquardt-Holzberger, Secretary