

Regular Meeting

February 18, 2026

Regular Session of the Board of County Road Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held at 5:00 p.m.

Board Chairman Chupp called the meeting to order and the pledge of allegiance to the American Flag was given.

Present: Chairman Rodney Chupp, Vice Chairman Vince Mifsud, Commissioner Dave Miars, Commissioner John Bippus, Commissioner Rea Brown and Clerk of the Board Brittany Hinn

Staff Members Present: Managing Director, Garrett Myland  
Director of Fleet and Facilities, Nate Taylor  
Ed Klein, Engineer Tech

Visitors: Kemp Kotschevar,  
Bob Milne, Park Township  
Kathy Roberts, Fabius Township  
Luis Rosado, County Commissioner

Motion by Commissioner Miars seconded by Commissioner Bippus to approve the agenda of February 18, 2026.

Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Miars seconded by Commissioner Brown to approve the meeting and Minutes of February 4, 2026, meeting.

Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Miars seconded by Commissioner Brown to approve the January payroll in the amount of \$441,627.46

Roll Call Vote taken: Brown, Bippus, Miars, Mifsud, Chupp  
Absent: None Abstained: None

Nays: None  
Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Miars seconded by Commissioner Brown to approve the January A/P in the amount of \$418,975.43

Roll Call Vote taken: Ayes: Brown, Bippus, Miars, Mifsud, Chupp  
Absent: None Abstained: None

Nays: None  
Motion carried.

**CERTIFIED RESOLUTION**

Motion by Commissioner Mifsud seconded by Commissioner Miars to purchase from Schrock Overhead Door five new garage doors and openers for the shop in the amount of \$48,803.00 (Forty-Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Three Dollars and 00/100).

Roll Call Vote Ayes: Brown, Bippus, Miars, Mifsud, Chupp  
Absent: None Abstained: None

Nays: None  
Motion carried.

**CERTIFIED RESOLUTION**

Motion by Commissioner Mifsud seconded by Commissioner Miars to purchase from Truck & Trailer Specialties one plow swap loader truck to be built on the 2026 Peterbilt Chassis in the amount of \$204,875.00 (Two Hundred Four Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars and 00/100).

Roll Call Vote Ayes: Brown, Bippus, Miars, Mifsud, Chupp  
Absent: None Abstained: None

Nays: None  
Motion carried.

Citizens Comments:

Luis: I gave my report about the road commission last night at our meeting and it went over well no one complained.

Commissioner's Comments:

Vince: I went to the commissioners' beginners meeting; they are always good to go to. Everyone should try to go to those things. I've been on the board 7 years, and I always learn something. Things change, even though it was beginners, I highly recommend it.

Dave: I thought tonight we were going to talk about the recognition award. I have a couple names I'd like to put in. Things are going good around here.

John: To echo Vince's comments, the commissioners in the classroom is a great refresher and a lot of new content. It was well put together, great handouts. They got behind in the schedule and pushed it through lunch and we finished on time. They packed it in, it was really well done.

Rea: I wished I would have been there. I'd like the information shared with me please.

Rodney: From what I can see things are going well. Garrett gave a tour to a superintendent today; I tagged along behind a little bit. We have used a lot of salt this year, I know that we thought we had a lot of salt, good thing we had a lot of salt. We were ready and a lot of places weren't. Kudos to John and Garrett, they did a good job having us prepped and ready to go. Per Garrett's comments, those two canvas building out there that hold salt and sand are the right size. We know now that we need a building that big to hold enough stuff to get through a real winter.

Meeting adjourned at 5:33 p.m.

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Rodney D Chupp, Chairman

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Brittany Hinn, Clerk of the Board

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