

Work Session of the Board of County Road Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Board Room at the St. Joseph County Road Commission, 20914 M-86, Centreville, Michigan with Chairman Shafer calling the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

Present: Chairman Eric Shafer, Vice Chairman Rodney Chupp, Commissioner Jack Coleman, Commissioner David Miars, Clerk Julie Mayuiers, Managing Director, John Lindsey

Absent: Commissioner Vince Mifsud
Guests present: Garrett Myland, Engineer/Assistant Manager
Luis Rosado, St. Joseph County Commissioner
Robert Tomlinson, Three Rivers Commercial
Larry Walton, Mendon
John Dowe and Scott Brown, Mercury Fiber

Motion by Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Miars to approve the agenda as amended under New Business Presentation by Mercury Fiber Consent Agenda of the August 2, 2023, Board Meeting. Motion carried.

MOTION

Motion by Commissioner Coleman supported by Commissioner Miars to vote for 3 (three) candidates total to serve on the 2023 CRASIF Board of Trustees.

- Three (3) one-year at-large positions; Tom Doty, Ken Hulka and Beth Hunt

Motion carried.

CERTIFIED RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, there was a Notice of Funding Opportunity for the Department of Transportations' Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant Opportunity available for Rural Areas.

WHEREAS, the St. Joseph County Road Commission will commit **twenty** percent local funding match for the following bridges if accepted by the Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant Opportunity.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the St. Joseph County Road Commission submit the necessary documentation to have the following bridges applied for

1. Farrand Road over the St. Joseph River (SN 10324) replacement at a Twenty (20) percent match equaling \$1,480,000 of the estimated total project cost of \$7,400,000.

MOTION by Commissioner Miars seconded by Commission Coleman that the above bridge have applications submitted for **Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant Program**

Ayes: Chupp, Coleman, Miars, Shafer
Nays: None
Absent: Mifsud
Abstained: None

Motion Carried

I, Julie A. Mayuiers, Clerk of the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy as recorded in the minutes of the meeting of August 2, 2023.

Julie A. Mayuiers

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Clerk of the Board

MOTION

Motion by Vice Chairman Chupp seconded by Commissioner Coleman to authorize Chairman Shafer to sign the Annual Certification of Employee-related Conditions for Certification Year 2023.

Motion carried.

Commissioner Comments:

Chupp: Good meeting today with Mercury Fiber and a government entity operating decently together. I think it would be a good benefit trying to raise the \$160K for the Covered Bridge replacement and getting the community involved. We should try and get a Channel 3 weather camera for the bridge. We need to start getting in front of people now for the 2024 millage proposal.

Coleman: I like the webcam idea for Covered Bridge.

Miars: It was a good conversation with Mercury today.

Shafer: Thank you to the two gentlemen from Mercury and Larry Walton today. The level of communication was great. Special thank you to Julie Pioch for all the work she did for the Road Commission Board on the SWOT analysis. We should send her a thank you card.

Meeting adjourned at 10:37 am.

Eric B. Shafer, Chairman

Julie A. Mayuiers, Clerk of the Board
