

SCHOOLCRAFT COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
332N EAST ROAD, MANISTIQUE, MI 49854
BOARD MEETING AGENDA
January 28, 2026 - 7:00 a.m.

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1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Approval of Minutes
6. Public Comment
7. Unfinished Business:
8. New Business:
 - A. Voucher 26-16 & 26-17
 - B. December Financial Statements
 - C. **Add-on** Resolution Contract No. 25-5690, CR 455, Job Number 220413
 - D. **Add-on** Resolution Contract No. 25-5665, CR 432 & CR 433, Job Number 220414
9. Manager's Report
 - A. Commissioner Comments
10. Engineer's Report
 - A. Commissioner Comments
11. Department Heads
12. Meeting Notices
 - A. Straits Area Council February 3, 2026, Mackinaw City
 - B. MCRCSIP UP Commissioners February 5, 2026, Manistique
 - C. CRA Commissioner's in the Classroom February 17, 2026, Mt. Pleasant
13. Public Comment
14. Adjournment

1. Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman T. Klarich at 7:00 am.

2. Roll Call: The roll was called for the Commissioners.

Present: Thomas Klarich
Robin LaCroix
Keith Rochefort
Wayne Johnson

Absent: Randy Lund

Also in Attendance: Jean Vanderville, Managing Director; Ian Stampfly, Road Engineer; Tanya Hoar, Finance Director; Michelle Steffen, HR Generalist

Absent: Kim Rochefort, Road Foreman; Roger Martin, Shop Foreman

3. Pledge of Allegiance: The pledge was recited.**4. Approval of Agenda:**

It was moved by Commissioner R. LaCroix, seconded by Commissioner K. Rochefort, to approve the agenda as presented.

Ayes: Four
Nays: None

Absent: One

Motion Carried

It was moved by Commissioner R. LaCroix, seconded by Commissioner K. Rochefort to approve the agenda add-ons C. & D. Resolutions as presented.

Ayes: Four
Nays: None

Absent: One

Motion Carried

5. Approval of Minutes:**Board Meeting 1-14-2026:**

It was moved by Commissioner W. Johnson, seconded by Commissioner R. LaCroix, to approve the Board Meeting minutes from 1-14-2026 as presented.

Ayes: Four

Nays: None

Absent: One

Motion Carried**6. Public Comment: None****7. Unfinished Business: None****8. New Business:****A. Voucher 26-16 & 26-17:**

It was moved by Commissioner W. Johnson, seconded by Commissioner R. LaCroix, to approve the Vouchers 26-16 & 26-17 as presented.

Roll Call:

Johnson – Yes

LaCroix – Yes

Rochefort – Yes

Klarich – Yes

Absent: One

Motion Carried**B. December Financial Statements:** T. Hoar provided an overview of the December Financial Statements. Graphs with financial ratios were provided as well.

It was moved by Commissioner R. LaCroix, seconded by Commissioner W. Johnson, to approve the December 2025 Financial Statements as presented.

Ayes: Four

Nays: None

Absent: One

Motion Carried

C. Resolution Contract No. 25-5690, CR 455, Job Number 220413:

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It was moved by Commissioner R. LaCroix, seconded by Commissioner K. Rochefort, to approve Resolution Contract No. 25-5690, CR 455, Job Number 220413 as presented.

Ayes: Four

Nays: None

Absent: One

Motion Carried

D. Resolution Contract No. 25-5665, CR 432 & 433, Job Number 220414:

It was moved by Commissioner R. LaCroix, seconded by Commissioner K. Rochefort, to approve Resolution Contract No. 25-5665, CR 432 & 433, Job Number 220414 as presented.

Ayes: Four

Nays: None

Absent: One

Motion Carried

9. Manager's Report:

Road Funding Package/State Budget: The parties requested a 30-day adjournment, so the new date is set for Tuesday, February 10, 2026, for the scheduling conference.

Marijuana Rescheduling: I attended a webinar by Foster Swift regarding the class change of marijuana from Class I to Class III. Unfortunately, they feel it is still too early to know how FMCSA will interpret the new class change and how it will be treated under ADA. We will continue to follow the updates.

Legislative Priority: I spoke with Denise and she advised that the Legislative Review Committee met last week, and they did not feel comfortable adding the requested legislative priority to the 2026 schedule yet. They would like to have more discussions and will reconsider in June. Please take the time at the Straits Area Council meeting to discuss and keep the conversation going until it can be presented again for consideration.

Negotiating Committee: The state maintenance contract is in the review process. We are still working on Appendix C which will be an addendum to the contract when completed. Thank you again for allowing me to serve as the Chair on this committee. It was certainly a learning experience, and I believe we have gained from this opportunity.

Category E Forest Funds: We received clarification that we will not be receiving any additional funds as we first thought.

CRA Ballot: When there is only 1 candidate on the ballot, I will mark the box and mail it in. If there are more than one candidate, the ballot will be brought to the board for a decision.

Vacation: Reminder that I will be on vacation February 2nd through the 9th.

10. Engineer's Report:

2024 Bridge Projects: Deficiency resolutions have been sent to MDOT. As long as they don't come back with comments, these projects will be closed out and completed.

Township Projects: The design work for Doyle, Manistique, and Hiawatha Township's paving projects have been finished. The proposals will be sent out on February 9th, and the bids are due February 27th. I also attended Thompson and Inwood Township meetings to see if they had any interest in doing construction this summer. Thompson currently has \$40,000 planned for roadwork, but their budget is not finalized. At the time of writing this report, I have not yet been to Inwood's meeting.

UP Road Builders: I attended the committee meetings at UP Road Builders as well as the business meeting.

Bridge over Milakokia River: We received notice from the Superior Region Bridge Council that our request for a change of scope and additional funding was denied. We will pursue additional funding this spring when the critical bridge applications open. We will be notified if we are successful/selected for funding this fall. We are still working on other alternatives as well.

11. Department Heads:

Tanya Hoar:

Meetings continue regarding the review of the union contract in preparation of the union negotiations.

There is a national shortage of salt. With that being said, we will not be able to purchase any more salt.

Michelle Steffen:

With the return of one of the temp. drivers, we are once again fully staffed.

The OSHA Form 300A Summary of Work-Related Injuries will be posted as required, February 1st.

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13. Public Comment:

Commissioner P. Walker gave kudos to the crew for all their hard work while keeping the roadways maintained with all of the snow we have received.

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14. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 am.


Thomas Klarich, Chairperson


Jean Vanderville, Managing Director