

**SCHOOLCRAFT COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION**  
**332N EAST ROAD, MANISTIQUE, MI 49854**  
**BOARD MEETING AGENDA**  
**January 14, 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
  - A. December 22, 2025 Regular Meeting
  - B. January 05, 2026 Organizational Meeting
6. Public Comment
7. Unfinished Business:
8. New Business:
  - A. Voucher 26-13, 26-14, & 26-15
  - B. November Financial Statements
  - C. Michigan Paving Materials Price Quote for 2026 Emulsion
9. Manager's Report
  - A. Commissioner Comments
10. Engineer's Report
  - A. Commissioner Comments
11. Department Heads
12. Meeting Notices
  - A. UPRBA Winter Meeting January 22-23, 2026, Marquette, MI
  - B. Straits Area Council February 3, 2026, Mackinaw City
  - C. MCRCSIP UP Commissioners February 5, 2026, Manistique
  - D. 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  
Randy Lund  
Keith Rochefort  
Wayne Johnson

**Absent:** None

**Also in Attendance:** Jean Vanderville, Managing Director; Ian Stampfly, Road Engineer; Tanya Hoar, Finance Director; Kim Rochefort, Road Foreman; Roger Martin, Shop Foreman

**Absent:** Michelle Steffen, HR Generalist

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

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

Ayes: Five

Nays: None

***Motion Carried***

**5. Approval of Minutes:**

**Board Meeting 12-22-2025 & Organizational Meeting 1-5-2026:**

**It was moved** by Commissioner R. Lund, seconded by Commissioner W. Johnson, to approve the Board Meeting minutes from 12-22-25 and 1-5-26 as presented.

Ayes: Five

Nays: None

***Motion Carried***

**6. Public Comment:** None

7. **Unfinished Business:** None

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8. **New Business:**

A. **Voucher 26-13, 26-14, & 26-15:**

**It was moved** by Commissioner R. Lund, seconded by Commissioner R. LaCroix, to approve the Vouchers 26-13, 26-14, & 26-15 as presented.

**Roll Call:**

Lund – Yes

LaCroix – Yes

Johnson – Yes

Rocheffort – Yes

Klarich – Yes

***Motion Carried***

B. **November Financial Statements:** T. Hoar provided an overview of the November Financial Statements. Discussion was held on the requirements for the equity balance, future capital outlay purchases, projects, and temporary employees.

Discussion was held regarding future unemployment increases and the difficulty it may be to recruit and retain temporary employees. Ideas were discussed for higher wages and holiday pay.

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

Ayes: Five

Nays: None

***Motion Carried***

C. **Michigan Paving Materials Price Quote for 2026 Emulsion:**

**It was moved** by Commissioner R. LaCroix, seconded by Commissioner W. Johnson, to approve \$2.95 for AMS Seal WP, \$2.80 for AMS Seal SP, and \$.084 for freight from Michigan Paving & Materials.

Ayes: Five

Nays: None

***Motion Carried***

## 9. Manager's Report:

**Road Funding Package/State Budget:** The marijuana wholesale tax will continue to be challenged as the courts have only denied the injunction. The parties will appear for a scheduling conference on January 13, 2026. J. Vanderville will keep the Board posted as she learns more.

**Streetlight:** Corey will reach out to have the light installed. Depending on weather it may not happen until spring. He said they would just invoice us for half. He believed the average streetlight cost was somewhere in the ballpark of \$20-30 per month.

**Contract Negotiations:** We have received the openers for both supervisory and nonsupervisory. Mike has responded on our behalf. Tony said the union will meet this week. I will let you know when Mike is ready to have our first meeting.

**Chloride Application:** We met with Travis (VanDamme) to discuss adding local roads to our chloride application. The thought is that we may utilize a portion of the Neighborhood Road Funds (NRF) to pay for the application. Currently, the townships pay for the material cost, and we cover the truck and labor. The reason we are considering this as a use of NRF is to help offset the township's loss of revenue from the new road funding package. This is still in its infancy stage. J. Vanderville will keep the Board posted on the direction we end up going.

**Private Road Plowing:** We received an application to add Stoney Point Dr to the private road plowing schedule. There have been some issues amongst the lot owners. J. Vanderville met with them on January 13<sup>th</sup>. After the meeting, the lot owners were not in agreement to have us plow their road, so they did not submit a new application.

**Peterbilt Meeting:** We had a nice meeting with Peterbilt representatives (Dan, Curt, Scott, & Darren) on Dan's farewell tour. Dan went over a presentation showing the new hard points for the new model Pete. We discussed the new emissions and Peterbilt did warn us to expect increased pricing due to the new emissions and market price increases.

**MIOSHA CET Safety & Health Program Review:** We are scheduled to meet with Nell (MIOSHA) to do a safety & health program review in advance of our upcoming Spring Safety Training Day. The Consultation, Education and Training (CET) program is designed to help with education and compliance. We were introduced to this at the CRASIF Certified Workers' Compensation Specialist Course last summer in Mt. Pleasant.

**CRA's Commissioners in the Classroom February 17<sup>th</sup>:** J. Vanderville originally did not add this to the upcoming meetings list since MCRCSIP will be hosting a commissioner's class in Manistique on February 5<sup>th</sup>, but Denise has asked her to present at the February 17<sup>th</sup> conference, so as a Board Member, if you would like to attend, let Jean know. Both agendas are included in the Board packet for your information.

**Michigan Paving Materials (MPM):** Russ (MPM) sent over their price quote for 2026. The material went up by 3% with no increase to freight cost.

2025 WP \$2.87	2026 WP \$2.95
2025 SP \$2.72	2026 SP \$2.80

J. Vanderville recommends the Board approve the 2026 emulsion pricing of MPM.

## 10. Engineer's Report:

**2024 Bridge Projects:** No new updates. I. Stampfly is still trying to get the last couple of items resolved.

**MIWish Grants:** I. Stampfly talked to the grant coordinator about resubmitting our applications and the grant coordinator recommended doing one application for both items. I. Stampfly resubmitted our application, but the program has exhausted its funds for the year. If we don't purchase the Guardian Lights or additional Bluetooth hearing protection headsets, we can apply this October when the new fiscal year begins. Discussion was held to just purchase them directly if we need them.

**FLAP Projects:** Our FLAP projects for CR-437 and Clear Lake Road have been awarded to Bacco Construction as the low bidder. We will have a pre-construction meeting later this spring probably in conjunction with other projects. I. Stampfly will keep the Board updated on the project's progress.

**Capital Outlay/Fleet Rotation:** The long-term capital outlay plan was discussed. There were also graphs showing the cycle of tandem replacements. SCRC's plan uses a 16-year rotation for tandems.

**2025 Construction Summary:** Our construction summary presentation is now completed. It can be seen on the TV in the entryway, and we'll be posting it to the website as well.

**Bridge over Milakokia River:** We had our biannual bridge inspections completed in 2025, and we asked UP Engineers & Architects to complete them following the new bridge inspection standards. As part of this work, load ratings were updated following the new modeling standards; in some ways it was a good result and in others it was not good.

The bridge over the Milakokia River (located on CR-432 or Port Inland Road) did not have a good result. Previously the bridge was not restricted and now it will be restricted severely causing impacts to Carmeuse, Graymont, and any companies that utilize their products. We have met with Carmeuse and Graymont management to inform them of the situation and what we are doing to try and address the problem. They have been appreciative of the communication and are willing to help lobby at the legislative level for funding should it come to that. The restriction would be 18,20, and 25 tons for one-unit, two-unit, and three-unit trucks respectively.

Today we have approximately \$330,000 in critical bridge funding for work on this bridge. I. Stampfly has submitted a change in scope request and estimate, which will be reviewed by the Superior Regional Bridge Council, for an additional \$1.5 million to replace the bridge. If we are not selected/approved for the additional funding, he will be applying for the additional funding this spring in the next call for critical bridge applications. We are also looking into other options should we be unsuccessful in obtaining these extra funds to replace the bridge.

#### 11. Department Heads:

**Tanya Hoar:** T. Hoar is wrapping up loose ends with W2s and 1099s. She has been working on union negotiations with Jean. Kelly Dent from MDOT stopped and made a visit.

**Kim Rochefort:** The crew has been busy with the roads. We have good temps this year. There have been less than ten mailboxes down. There have not been any issues this year with the crew not coming in when called. The brush guard on his pickup prevented damage when he hit a deer. Kendall is returning to work next week.

**Roger Martin:** This has been a trying season in the shop. Between 12/11 and 1/12, the shop has serviced 100 gallons of oil. They are very busy. The back up truck is waiting for the lift to be fixed to finish repairs. The emblems are being picked up today and night crew will put them on one night when it is slow. The running boards and mud flaps are scheduled with Team Chevy while Jean is on vacation.

#### 12. Meeting Notices:

**A. UPRBA Winter Meeting January 22-23, 2026, Marquette, MI**


**B. Straits Area Council February 3, 2026, Mackinaw City:** Tom and Robin plan to attend. Jean and Ian will be gone. Jean requested Tom or Robin ensure that there is a motion for the legislative priority for drain commissioner that she wrote be made.

**C. MCRCSIP Regional Training UP Commissioners, February 5, 2026, Manistique, MI**

**D. CRA Commissioner's in the Classroom February 17, 2026, Mount Pleasant:** Please let Michelle know if you plan to attend:

**13. Public Comment:** None

**14. Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:46 am.

  
Thomas Klarich, Chairperson

  
Jean Vanderville, Managing Director