EMMET COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
October 1, 2026
Meeting held at 8:30 a.m.
Emmet County Drop-Off Center
7363 Pleasantview Rd. Harbor Springs, MI.

Members Present: A. Bawkey; B. Dohm, Vice Chairperson; D. Mapes; J. Kargol; B. Gutowski
Members Absent: D. Keiser, Chairperson; D. Fuller, Secretary
Members of Public: G. Muir
Staff Members: J. Steffel, M. Kilmer, A. McMurry, P. Gibson

Call to Order
Call meeting to order at 8:30am.

Public Comments
N/A

Approval of Agenda
D. Mapes motioned to approve the agenda with the only change being the Tip wall RFP Bid Award was just an update, not a recommendation; J. Kargol supported. All present voted in favor.

Minutes
The minutes of the September 3rd DPW meeting were reviewed. D. Mapes motioned to approve the August Minutes; A. Bawkey supported. All present voted in favor.

Financials
The July 2026 financial report was reviewed by P. Gibson. B. Gutowski motioned to approve the financials as presented and supported by A. Bawkey. All present voted in favor.

Operations Update (OLD BUSINESS)
Personnel: DPW is fully staffed.

MMP/ Part 115: the first full draft of the Emmet County Materials Management Plan is ready to review. The Committee is taking feedback and making any changes before the approval of the plan is voted on by the MMP committee in October. After committee approval, the plan will be presented for public comment prior to the November/December Board of Commissioners Meeting. Upon approval from the Board of Commissioners, members of the MMP committee will present the MMP Plan to the Emmet County townships for their approval.

Traffic Flow Study/ Master Plan: Emmet County DPW has released an RFP for the study. Bids will be accepted until November 12th.

Other Business (NEW BUSINESS)
2027 Fees and Price Increase: ECDPW is looking at increasing certain fees effective January 1, 2027. A recommendation will be made in the November DPW Board meeting.

Amendment for MMP agreement: Emmet County is receiving the second round of funding for Michigan Materials Management Planning. There are no changes to the agreement, this is just formal approval for obtaining the funds. B. Gutowski motioned to approve the recommendation for receival of the second round of funds to the Board of Commissioners, A. Bawkey supported. Al present voted in favor.

Tip Wall Repairs Project: Emmet County may require going back out for bid, as only one bid was received, and it was much higher than the amount of funds budgeted for the project.

Round Table Discussion
N/A

Meeting Adjourned: 9:00 AM

Next Meeting: Thursday November 5th at 9:30AM, at the Emmet County Drop Off Center, 7363 Pleasantview Rd. Harbor Springs.

X Douglas Fuller