

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

September 22, 2021

8:45 A.M.

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| Attendees: | George Haynes | Joe Cetta |
| | Pat Davis | John Kosier |
| | Bill Layton | Dennis Valente |
| | Jerry Vernold | Tina Molé |
| | Lisa Henderson | |

GENERAL

• Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

- The minutes from the August 25, September 2 and September 8 meetings were approved as presented.

• Budget 2022

- LH, We have not heard anything back yet.
- GH, Finance is going to start looking at it next week.

• Authorization to Fill Vacancy

- LH, We have two authorizations. First one is just an upgrade for an employee who has passed their road test and now has a CDL. Will upgrade him from MEO to HEO trainee.
- Committee approved.
- LH, Second is an actual vacancy, we have lost yet another employee to a Town, Colchester this time. Main reason given was the cost of health insurance.
- DV, We really need to address this. We need to be involved in negotiations. We also need to do something so that we aren't continually the training ground for all the towns.

• Conference Authorization – Bridge Conference

- LH, need authorization to send Dan Sanford and Jim Thomas to the annual Bridge Conference. They need PDHs for their PE licenses.
- Committee approved.

SOLID WASTE

• Cell 4s

- LH, The bid specs are almost ready to go back out for the construction portion of the project. It will be re-bid in October. Award will be made at the Organizational meeting as we now have that project budgeted for 2022.
- JC, What have we heard about the permit? I know Sue mentioned an issue last time.
- GH, I'm pretty sure she emailed me that it had been worked out and we were fine.

• Margaretville Sludge

- LH, Had a meeting with NYC and working on details of cost reimbursement for out-of-county sludge. City is agreeable. Excess sludge going to Rockland County until details are resolved.

HIGHWAY

• NYC DEL-416R

- LH, Money for the final payment request is in the bank. We got it Friday.

- GOSR Sidney Demo's on hold
 - LH, Demos are on hold. Dale Downin no longer providing pre-demo asbestos inspections following NYSDOL Asbestos Abatement Bureau inspection. GOSR has not responded to request cost and time extension. GOSR has not provided updated remaining budget figures. Full impact of the need to hire out professional services for asbestos abatement is unknown at this time.
- BR 80
 - LH, We have all of the permits. Hubbell is ready to start work. Verizon still needs to move a line but I think they are going to try and work around that for now. Hopefully we can get some work done this year.
- BR 83
 - LH, Temporary bridge is in. They started demo last week on old structure. Had a call Friday from the one homeowner very concerned because his house was vibrating from the demo. Have worked with the contractor and they have changed how they are doing things to try to minimize the impact. We are scheduled to go in Friday and photo document the home for any possible damage in the future.
- BR 155
 - LH, This is the bridge on Reservoir Road that had the temporary over it. That structure has been removed and placed over the stream in a different location. Our bridge has been reopened.
- BR 5
 - LH, Modjeski and Masters started their inspection on Monday, they should be done today. Have a conference call scheduled for Thursday afternoon to review the findings. Sue went down yesterday, to see how they were doing. She said it looks like it might not be as bad as we were anticipating. We will know more tomorrow.
- BR 130
 - LH, Otsego County has tentatively scheduled scour protection work for October 25th. MOU with Otsego County confirms DPW covering ½ the out-of-pocket cost...about \$20k
- BR 95
 - LH, This is the Downsville Covered Bridge. We closed this last Thursday at the request of the Town of Colchester as it is being abused since the closure of the Corbett Bridge. Sue got a call yesterday from Steve Hood requesting that we open the bridge for the Police Motorcycle Poker Run.
 - Committee does not want to open the bridge. It is closed for a reason.
- BR 119
 - LH, Lower Third Brook, work is completed and bridge is opened.
- BR 214
 - LH, On Ingalls Road, we will start work on this soon.
- BR 56
 - LH, East Street, Village of Walton. Work is done and bridge is opened.
 - JC, Is that the final pavement? It is awful.
 - LH, I don't know, I'll have to check with Jared.
 - JC, It rides very roughly.

- BR 47-3
 - LH, Repairs are complete, structure has been paved and is open.
- BR 21-9
 - LH, Freer Hollow in Walton, doing shotcrete work this week.
- Bridge Preservation work for 2021
 - LH, Rover started work this week. There are three bridges, BR 1-3 in Andes, BR 20-9 in Deposit and BR 16 in Middletown. We are happy to say that we are well ahead of where we usually are with these projects. Hoping to get this all wrapped up this year.
- Bridge Preservation for 2022
 - LH, We have a short list under review for next year.
- CR 53
 - LH, We have confirmed there is a 3-way agreement between NYC, Greene and Delaware Counties for cost of maintenance. Trying to find the contract copy.
- CR 6 Speed Zone Request
 - LH, The speed zone extension was approved. We received notification on Monday. Now we just have to adjust the signage.
 - TM, Do you know when that will be done?
 - LH, I do not know what Jack's schedule looks like but I can find out and let you know.
- CR 41
 - There are two issues here that are somewhat tied together. We received a request from the Town Board to place no parking signs on the South side of County Route 41 between the intersection with NYS Route 30 and the Motel. The road is very narrow in that section and when cars are parked on both sides it creates a traffic hazard. We have mapped out where the signs will go and will get that to Allen so he is aware and can head off any conflicts.
 - Also in that section of road, we are having an issue with a restaurant encroaching on the County's prescriptive right of way. Sue would like to issue written notice to restaurant owner that they are in our space, liability for accidents and damage is on them, we will not pay for damage by our plows to stuff they place in our ROW. She wants to talk to Allen before she does that.

DPW buildings project status

- IT Network
 - LH, We have numbers from IT for the necessary network requirements, their current figure is \$440,000. It was budgeted at \$200,000 so we need to take a hard look at that. That is only the part that IT is supplying, not the work that NelCorp is doing. Still waiting on numbers from them.
- Truck lifts
 - LH, We have the figures for the two truck lifts, one for Neale Road and one for Bloomville. The figures are favorable at this time so we are going to place the order so we can lock in the pricing.
 - JC, Do we have a place to store them if we aren't ready for them when they come?
 - LH, I'm sure we can find someplace to put them.

- Schedule for completion contingent on pre-engineered steel building delivery, which is still TBD.
 - GH, It was going to be a week or two a couple of weeks ago, hopefully it will only be a week or two from now. We just haven't got an answer yet.

RESOLUTIONS

Authorization to sign Contract with Auctions International

- LH, Hoping to get an auction going in the next few weeks. Will be only for DPW stuff.

Supplemental #1 2021 Bridge Preservation

- LH, This is just a standard DOT contract resolution for the construction and construction supervision for this year's project.