

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

February 22, 2023

8:45 A.M.

Attendees:

George Haynes
John Kosier
Tina Molé
Jared Boice
Tyson Robb

Joe Cetta
Bill Layton
Jim Thomas
Lisa Henderson
Mary Crisafulli

GENERAL

• Equipment Authorizations

- JT, we have the numbers for the trucks now.
- Two tandem axels with snow equipment - \$308,000 each.
- GH, I thought we were thinking \$330,000?
- JT, We budgeted for \$342,000.
- LH, Remember, this is the we'll get you a spot price. The actual price may change when it actually goes to production.
- Committee approved.
- JT, Walk Behind Plate Tamp – not budgeted \$5,620
- JB, transmission went on the old one, it was \$3,500 to replace the transmission.
- Committee approved.
- Two Roll-off Trucks for Solid Waste - \$225,000 each for a total of \$450,000, we had budgeted \$460,000.
- GH, These are all a year plus wait?
- JB, Yes. Fall of next year.
- GH, And we didn't get any roll-offs last year right?
- JB, We skipped ordering in 2021, the one we ordered in 2022 hasn't come yet.
- Committee approved.
- GH, And they are all Freightliners? So we are closer to getting back to having one kind of truck?
- JB, Yes, what we have ordered now. And that will last until someone else gets the bid.
- JT, Last thing is a double diaphragm pump for SW, unbudgeted - \$947.06
- GH, What is that for?
- LH, Checked with Andrew, it is a waste oil transfer pump for when they are doing oil changes and such.
- Committee approved.

• Training/Travel Authorization

- JT, No cost travel only, for myself, Tyson and Erik to go down and look at what they have. Trying to find a better way to move the biosolids. Will go on March 2, 2023.
- Committee approved.
- JT, Landfill Operator Training in Syracuse, \$175 for Tyson, \$225 for myself, Luke and Harold.
- TR, I think it's important to have people certified, Luke and Harold are on the working faces of the cell so I feel they should have this.
- Committee approved.

- Authorization to Fill Vacancy
 - JT, We had an HEO resign, need to fill that.
 - BL, Where is he going?
 - JT, We can't talk about that now. If you want we can go into executive session later to discuss it.
 - Committee approved filling the vacancy.
- Safety Officer's Report (copy attached)
 - JT, Everyone has a copy. If you have any questions let us know.

SOLID WASTE

- Cell 4S Status
 - JT, No big changes, waiting on the weather to complete the concrete. Have some other small odds and ends.
- Cell 1 Redevelopment
 - JT, I don't think this has gone very far. We have reached the end of our contract with GHD so we need to decide if we are going to stay with them or go to someone else.
 - TR, We did lump sum a couple of things and they had budgeted to see it through the end of the year. Construction did go longer than we anticipated. I have talked to the principal and he is aware that we don't want them going over budget, you said you could do these things for this price, if you can't we will need something in place to get us through the end of construction. I haven't heard from them.
 - GH, What was the cause of the delays?
 - TR, the two big things were the underground storage tank, which took a while to procure and the metering pump also took a while.
 - GH, What kind of money are we talking about? Tens of thousands? \$100,000?
 - TR, No, not that much, they have about \$14,000 left on the contract, we are seeing monthly invoices of about \$20,000 so depending on what kind of time they put into it, I would say we'd be about \$20,000 over but I wasn't going to commit to anything over without some sort of agreement and I haven't heard from them.
 - GH, Is there justification to what they are asking for?
 - TR, They haven't yet asked for anything. So they may not. Time will tell.
 - JT, And there are more projects coming so they may just do it. I think we would be wise to look at other firms before we just blindly go with them moving forward.
 - TR, I agree, at the least it keeps them honest.
- Temporary Rain Cover - Bid
 - JT, This bid is also going to the second low bidder. In discussions with Amy and Jeremy it was determined that awarding to the second low bid was in the best interest of the County.
- Compost Repairs
 - JT, Still on schedule for building repairs. We had a major breakdown this morning. The soft start went on the bioreactor. It just went down this morning so time will tell.
- Sludge transfer pump – not working
 - This pump is now not working at all so most of this material is now going to the cell.

- Authorization to Enter into Contract for Landfill Survey Work
 - LH, Tyson got a few different proposals for survey work that needs to be done. Delta came in at \$5,500. The other two quotes were for \$12,000 and \$10,000.
 - Committee approved entering into agreement with Delta.
- Compost Residuals
 - TR, This comes up every once in a while, we have been approached by a couple of people looking for some material, there is a facility in north central Pennsylvania that is interested, they want to come look and see what we have. They are scheduled to come up next month.
 - GH, Would they pay for that or are they just taking it?
 - TR, We haven't got that far yet. We'll see what they say once they get here.
 - GH, And what do we do with that now?
 - TR, It basically goes in the cell.
 - JC, How much material are we talking?
 - TR, We probably generate 3 packers a day, this would definitely be beneficial to us. We will see what happens.

HIGHWAYS/BRIDGES

- NYC Road Maintenance Agreement
 - JT, Still now news on this. We did have a meet and greet with the new guy that is taking over operations. He seems like a decent guy.
- BR 32
 - JT, Still working on this. Paperwork is going back and forth.
 - GH, Will that go this year?
 - JT, I don't see why not. They are talking shop drawings and such so we are moving.
- BR 136
 - JT, This is still in design.
- Abatement Bids for Flood Buyout
 - JT, Amy didn't like some of the contract wording, so that is now under review. Hopefully we can keep this moving. Our contract documents are probably 25 years old so it probably won't hurt to have them looked at.
- Controlled Demo
 - JT, Same thing on that, Amy has the contract.
- BridgeNY Round 4
 - JT, Apparently this was released in late December and we missed it. The State called late last week to ask why we didn't apply. Told them I was not aware. There is apparently \$5 million available. We are trying to find something we can put in there. Finding bridges that we can do quickly is an issue.

Roads

- Minimal Snow/Salt
 - JT, It has been a mild winter so far. We may have to stockpile some salt to get to our 70%.

- Tree Cutting

- JT, The mild weather has allowed us to get a bunch of tree work done. We have spent considerable time on CR 2 which really needed it.

DPW BLDG PROJECT

- Construction status report

- JT, I think things are moving at Bloomville and Neale Rd. Things in Delhi are very slow, last week there was one day where there was nobody there. They are supposed to be there with a crew to do the floors. Then IT can get in there.
 - GH, Wasn't part of the issue with the floor that they had to have it in there for a while to acclimate it?
 - JT, Yes but it's been there a while now.
 - BL, Refresh my memory, where is the parking for this building?
 - JT, We'll figure it out. Most of it will be on the Bridge Street side of the Wickham Building, it's going to be tight while the mechanics are still there. It's going to be interesting. There are two handicap spaces on Bridge Street and a couple public spaces on Main Street. There's basically going to be a walk from wherever.
 - GH, Are we still looking at the middle of April?
 - JT, I don't know how to answer those questions.
 - JC, So we should be in there by this summer right?
 - JT, I'm not going to say anything.

RESOLUTIONS

Award Prop 6-23

- This is the oil for the oil and stone work.

Award Prop 22-23

- Did get two bids but the one is from Long Island and it's very high.

GH, How short are we on Bridge Crews?

JB, We are four short, should have 16 and we have 12. So it could be worse.

JT, And I think we are fairly good on the road side.

JB, Applications are still pretty thin and we are picky about who we put on the bridge crews. And we are still in limbo on the CDL deal.

GH, How are we doing with that?

JB, We are doing ok. We've had two or three people through the new process.

GH, Well that's a big step for you to have that.

JB, It is but it also makes it worse when they leave. So we have been dragging our feet on upgrading anyone to an A.

JT, What we have decided is that we aren't going to do it unless we need it because as soon as we upgrade them they leave.

A brief executive session was held to discuss the resignation of the HEO.

The meeting adjourned immediately after the executive session

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To: File
From: Tawny Meres
Safety & Training Manager
Re: Safety Office Report
Date: 2/22/2023

The following is an update to the activities of the Safety Office from 1/1/2023-2/22/2023.

1. Accidents

- None reported

2. Spills

- None reported

3. Facilities

- Annual hearing tests continue.
- Annual fire extinguisher inspections have been started. Fyr Fyter will perform all annual inspections.
- On 2/21/2023 UDigNY conducted training for Certified Excavator in Safe Digging Practices.
- The first Safety Committee meeting of the year was held on 2/15/2023.
- 2022 SH-900 Logs have been received. 10 total injuries were reported on logs for 2022.
- Annual Workplace Violence meeting has been scheduled for 3/1/2023.
- Have been updating and ordering department ID's for personnel.
- Routine health screenings were conducted for bridge crews, guiderail and compost personnel
- The department has reached out to law enforcement to inquire about an increase in traffic not obeying flaggers in work zones

4. Near Future Objectives

- Begin working on Safety Days for 2023
- Complete hanging SH-900 forms in all patrols
- Update drug and alcohol consortium
- Update NYS DMV LENS

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