

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

March 8, 2023

8:45 A.M.

Attendees:

George Haynes
John Kosier
Dennis Valente
Jim Thomas
Lisa Henderson
Mary Crisafulli

Joe Cetta
Bill Layton
Jerry Vernold
Jared Boice
Tyson Robb
Elizabeth Defalco

GENERAL

• Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

- The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as presented.

• Equipment Authorizations

- JT, First we have a 38ft trailer. \$39,500.00. We thought we could fix the old one but it was in worse shape than we thought.
- Committee approved
- JT, Next is a replacement pole saw, \$649.34. The one we have just won't work anymore and is beyond repair.
- Committee approved.
- JT, Last thing we have is additional upgrades to the Fuelmaster System. We are still having issues communicating between the sites and Delhi.
- LH, What this will do is take us to a cloud based system which will hopefully eliminate the communication problems.
- DV, Is this the ARPA money?
- LH, No, this is for the three systems that we replaced with our money. The ARPA funds were for Delhi and the Landfill. It may increase the cost of the ARPA project because these heads are a little more expensive.
- GH, So then once we do Delhi and the Landfill we are done?
- JB, No, we will still have Walton to do.
- Committee approved.

• Training/Travel Authorization

- JT, First is for Tyson to go to an organics conference in Syracuse in April.
- Committee approved.
- JT, Next is to send Tyson to the annual Federation Conference in Bolton Landing. May 21-24.
- Committee approved.
- JT, This is just a travel authorization to go to Vestal to pick up new traffic lights and message boards. We need four trucks to bring everything back. They will also receive training while they are there.
- Committee approved.
- JT, Last one is for travel only to the Hard Hat Show in Syracuse, for 8 people. We will only go one day.
- Committee approved.

- Authorization to Fill Vacancy

- JT, We have a bunch of these as well. First is 6 seasonal MEO's for the mowing crew,
- Committee approved.
- DV, Do we limit them to 20 hours a week?
- JT, No. But the length of time they can work is limited.
- JT, Next is a seasonal MEO for the Landfill.
- Committee approved.
- JT, We are promoting an HEOII to Highway Superintendent because of a retirement so we need permission to fill the HEOII slot.
- Committee approved.
- JT, Next are Working Supervisors for the Vac Truck and the Paint Crew.
- Committee approved.
- JT, Solid Waste Seasonal HEO to help cover for vacations and such.
- Committee approved.
- JT, Seasonal Laborers, these are our summer kids. 14 of them at \$15/hr. Brought the rate up a little to see if we could attract any kids.
- Committee approved.
- One seasonal employee for engineering at 16/hr.
- Committee approved.
- JT, Moving an employee from an HEOII position to Sign Shop Helper. So we need permission to fill his HEOII slot.
- JT, Once the current sign shop supervisor retires that position will be moved to Bloomville and the entire crew will be based there. He currently works out of Walton and will continue to punch in there until he retires.
- Committee approved.
- JT, Last one is to fill the Highway Crew Supervisor spot in Fishs Eddy, Dan Pinner is retiring.
- Committee approved.
- JT, One more, we have an Automotive Mechanic who resigned in January.
- GH, Are we still short on mechanics?
- LH, Yes.
- Committee approved.

- Use of Parking Lots for Parade

- JT, Have a request from the Chamber to use the parking lot to stage floats after the St. Patrick's Day parade.
- Committee approved.

SOLID WASTE

- Cell 4S Status

- JT, I think this is mostly done, just waiting for the weather.
- TR, Yes, for the most part. The General Contractor mostly just has the concrete pad for the underground storage tank. We were down there yesterday getting the secondary meter pump going for the secondary flow out of Cell 4. This has just been gravity flow to this point so we had no way to measure it. Now we can. It was a long day. There are a few more little things on the electrical contract as well but it is wrapping up nicely.

- Cell 1 Redevelopment
 - TR, We just submitted the reclamation work plan to the State so now we have to wait to hear back from them. It's had to devise a plan because the regulations don't really address what we are doing. So this will be largely driven by the comments from the State.
- Temporary Rain Cover
 - TR, Award of this is prefiled for today. Prepping for this, hopefully it can be in before Memorial Day.
 - GH, Where is that going?
 - TR, Cell 6, mostly the side slope on the Westside.
- Compost Repairs
 - TR, Getting geared up to do the building repairs. We are looking for some engineering drawings from the scaffolding company. Working on a professional services contract from SW services for the guy who was here when we originally built the building, he will be coming back to help with the repairs.
 - TR, Also the Variable Frequency Drive went down. So we are down right now. We have reached out to MATCO who installed the original equipment, the quickest VFD we can get is 180 days out. They think they can install a soft start as a temporary measure to keep us going until the VFD can come in. We are looking at \$52K to supply and install the soft start and the new VFD when it arrives.
 - TR, they will also look at rebuilding the current VFD so that we have a backup in addition to the soft start.
- Sludge transfer pump – not working - tour
 - TR, this is still not working. We are still evaluating our options here.
 - JT, We did go down to Rockland County and look at what they did. They move it all with loaders and that seems to work pretty well. We would probably use a skid steer but I think we could make it work.
 - JC, Do you have a skid steer dedicated to that?
 - TR, Eventually that would be ideal but we need to make sure it will work before we go that far.
 - JT, I think the trip to Rockland County was definitely worth it. We got a lot of good information and some valuable contacts.
- Monitoring well #16
 - TR, This is right next to the compost building. It got disturbed during construction last year; it will need to be replaced before we do second quarter monitoring. We may have to do an RFP to get that done.

HIGHWAYS/BRIDGES

- NYC Road Maintenance Agreement
 - JT, Still waiting on the City.
- BR 32
 - JT, Moving forward, we don't have a schedule yet but it will definitely start this summer.
- BR 136 – Bridge NY round 3
 - JT, We anticipate that to go to bid this year for construction next year.

- Abatement Bids for Flood Buyout and Controlled Demolition
 - JT, Still waiting on the County Attorney on this and the Controlled Demolition.
 - LH, I just got an email with revised contracts, hopefully we can get these moving.
- SHPO approval
 - JT, We got a couple more houses approved.
- Bridge NY Round 4 (7-3)
 - JT, I spent a lot of time last week trying to figure out what bridge to submit. I talked to the owners of the Roxbury, they have a lot of demands that we can't meet (construction only in April and May, pay them for lost business). I did talk to Alan Hinkley and he was headed out with the school ski team and couldn't do it until this week. The submittal was do last week so we walked away from that bridge. We will have to do something here eventually because there are issues with the bridge. I tried to explain to them that if we did it this way we could work with them. If the concrete fails and the State closes the bridge, it could be closed for years but it didn't get anywhere.
 - JT, So, we submitted for Bridge 7-3, it is the last one that hasn't been replaced in the last 20 years. The estimate is \$4 to \$5 million. BridgeNY is for \$5 million so we plan to put some of our money into it as well because with design and everything it will probably be more. We'll see where the application goes. We'll keep you posted.
- Modjeski & Masters On Call Services 2023
 - JT, Annual on-call contract, not to exceed of \$15,000.
 - JC, Don't we budget for this?
 - LH, There is money in the budget to cover this but it is not a line item in the budget.
 - Committee approved.
- Town of Colchester – Historical Marker CR 7
 - JT, The Town of Colchester wants to place a historical marker on CR 7, we don't generally allow this but they want to put it up on the back side of a pull off.
 - Committee approved.
- CR 26 NYPA overload permit
 - JT, The Power Authority wants to bring a big crane in onto CR 26. It would cross Bridge 83 and Bridge 26-1. Both are newer bridges and shouldn't be a problem but when these things come up, we make the company, in this case the Power Authority, pay to have the bridges analyzed by an approved by us engineering firm to make sure they can handle the load.
 - JT, So at some point this summer you will probably see that.

DPW BLDG PROJECT

- Construction status report
 - JT, Going very slow. IT is getting cranky about how long it is taking to get the floors down.
 - GH, Can we push them on that? IT is ready to go as soon as we can get them in there. There is some question that Rico wanted to wait for the racks but the racks can't go in until the floor is down. And right now that is holding up the elevator and the fire alarm.
 - JT, I'll go down today and see what I can find out.

RESOLUTIONS

Prefiled

Award Prop 1-23

Award Prop 5-23

Award Prop 7&8-23

Award Prop 9-26-23

Award Prop SW1-23

- LH, This is going to the second low bidder per recommendation of the County Attorney.
About \$9,000 more but it's what we had to do.

Non-Prefiled

W&M Budget Amendment

- LH, When we ordered the cart it came back \$67.50 more than when we got the authorization so I need to move that amount from contractual to equipment. Penny is aware that this is coming, she is fine with it.