

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

March 22, 2023

8:45 A.M.

Attendees:	George Haynes	Joe Cetta
	John Kosier	Jerry Vernold
	Tina Molé	Jim Thomas
	Jared Boice	Lisa Henderson
	Tyson Robb	Elizabeth DeFalco
	Mary Crisafulli	

GENERAL

- Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
 - The minutes of the March 8 meeting were approved as presented.
- Training/Travel Authorization
 - JT, We have a few of these this time.
 - Stormwater Workshop (3)
 - Sending three engineers to this, Jim Tepfer, James Erwin and Connor Sherman. \$50 each. This is at the public safety building.
 - Committee approved.
 - Asphalt Principles Workshop (2)
 - This is down in Binghamton, for Kevin and Ben
 - Committee approved.
 - Highway School (6)
 - In Ithaca, June 5 thru the 7th. Sending 6 people total, \$125 each for registration.
 - Committee approved.
- Annual Report from Emerson Testing
 - JT, Annual report from our testing firm. Copy here if anyone wants it. Just shows the number of tests done and what positive results we got.
- Safety Officer's Report
 - Copy attached. If anyone has any questions just let us know.

SOLID WASTE

- Flood Insurance at Compost
 - JT, We do this annually, we generally choose option B.
 - Committee approved Option B
- Cell 4S Status
 - TR, Moving along, we still need the certification report, working on the haul road. Still waiting on the electrician for a few things and the concrete pad. We should have this wrapped up soon. I expect a revised contract from GHD soon to finish this out because they are currently out of money. It won't be much because it is only for this, I don't want to tie it to anything else moving forward.

- Cell 1 Redevelopment

- TR, DEC approved our plan. Their only comment was you forgot to sign the request. This is great news. This will be an amendment to our permit. We have fifteen days to review it and then they will reissue the permit referencing the reclamation work plan. There is no real time limit on this, we can start work whenever.
- JT, Moving the waste out of Cell 1 will be bid out. It's about 300,000 yards.
- TR, Yes, around 300,000 yards, we are doing a drone survey of the site, obviously waste settle over time. We will get that survey will be at 2 foot intervals. Will get that done once the snow is off.
- JC, When was the last time Cell 1 was utilized?
- TR, I think 1978, maybe 1980 but it's been a while.
- JC, So this survey will tell you how much it has settled?
- TR, Yes.
- JC, That will be interesting.
- JT, This reclamation will provide the base for the next two cells. We will need to move fairly quickly on that because Cell 4s isn't very big.
- TR, Yes, we won't want to wait, it's never going to get cheaper. And Cell 4s and these two cells will give us 20 years of space. There are definitely advantages to doing it now as opposed to waiting. Even just the changes in regulations.

- Temporary Rain Cover

- TR, Moving forward, contractor is ready to go, we need to prepare the subgrade and the weather isn't really cooperating. We need to protect that liner. It is very hard to screen frozen and/or muddy material. Not sure if anyone has any recommendations of material they have used. Possibly auto fluff, it just needs to not have large or angular rocks or metals or anything, and I'm looking for a way to get paid for that, not have to buy it.

- Compost Repairs

- TR, Working on this, not sure where the sludge pump, it's in the mail. Install of the soft start was done last week; the controls didn't work with it, that was a surprise, so they have sent us new controls, we received them today and we should be installing them today. Hopefully that will get us up and running for a few weeks, then we will be shut back down to do the building repairs.
- GH, So we'll be back out on the cell?
- TR, Yes.
- GH, So the bridge crew is helping with that?
- JB, The crane will be down there.
- GH, The County is providing the labor for this right? So is that mostly Bridge Crew?
- TR, Mostly compost.
- JB, Hopefully we can get that housing support moved around and we will be done. We have a shop full of decks that need to be built.
- TR, So we aren't counting on a lot of additional support but if it happens that's great. We have Lance, who was the foreman on the original construction coming in to help us. Contract is currently under review. Hopefully we have the scaffolding drawings this week, we are on our third person at this point.

- Monitoring well #16

- TR, Drilling in a new one in the next month, DEC is on board with our plan, we just need to get it done.

- Landfill operator training
 - TR, Landfill operator training was yesterday.
 - JT, It was interesting.
 - TR, We only need one so we probably go overboard but it helps to have people trained and it helps them to understand why we ask for certain things that might otherwise seem out of place.
 - JT, I definitely found it beneficial.

HIGHWAYS/BRIDGES

- NYC Road Maintenance Agreement –in NYC review
 - Still waiting.
- BR 32
 - JT, There is movement behind the scenes but we are waiting on the preconstruction meeting. Would like to get that moving sooner rather than later.
- BR 136 – Bridge NY round 3
 - JT, Same thing here, hopefully we will get that out to bid this fall.
- Abatement Bids for Flood Buyout & Controlled Demolition
 - JT, We have the revised contracts back. The contractors have them. Once we get them back and issue the notice to proceed, they have 60 days to get things done. So I think we are making progress.
 - JC, How many structures still need to come down?
 - JB, 43. Will can probably do 35/40 of them. Three are controlled demo and the others will be bid out because they are too big for us.
 - JT, Those will be bid out.
- SHPO approval
 - JT, I think we have most of these now. We might be missing 2 or 3.
- Bridge NY Round 4 (7-3)
 - JT, Still waiting to hear back from the State officially. I was in contact with them yesterday and provided some additional information. It looks good but we won't know for sure until we hear officially.
- CR 26 NYPA overload permit
 - JT, We are waiting on Modjeski and Masters to get us a price for the review so we can supply that to the Power Authority.
- Geotab
 - JT, Jared has some updated units that we will be trying out. These will connect to our rex roth systems. Right now we are just testing them. If they work well we may get a few more just to round out the fleet.
- Town plowing of County roads
 - JT, I'm meeting with Middletown and hopefully Roxbury next week. Middletown wants to do everything or nothing, they are currently just plowing and then we sand and the coordination is extremely difficult. But if we can't get Roxbury on board with that too, it creates a problem.

- Are they one year contracts?
- JT, No, they are a few years at a time.
- JB, We don't really have the staff or equipment to do it all. The single axle trucks are framed for plows but we don't have plows for them, we would have to buy them. And keeping that patrol staffed is definitely an issue.
- JT, We'll figure something out.

- Bridge painting

- JT, Contractor has mobilized and started working on Sands Creek, not sure how far they have got but once they are done with 67-21 they will move to 28. This is the 2022 work. We don't have any for 2023 because we combined it with 2024 to increase the available funds.

DPW BLDG PROJECT

- Construction status report

- JT, Walton seems to be moving pretty good.
- JB, They are laying block.
- JT, Siding is going on in Bloomville.
- GH, I think they will be starting the roof soon. About a month out from doing the site grading and such.
- JT, The bad news out of last week's meeting was that the contractor is already saying they can't get help this summer so I expect things to drag this summer. I don't know, there's nothing we can do about it.
- JT, Delhi floors are in, doors are coming behind that. Racks are in, where IT wants them. I got an email from Dave Cucciarre and he says there is some coordination issues on the contractor side but he laid it all out very nicely in the email. I think he has a very good handle on what needs to happen.
- JB, Plumbers were installing fixtures yesterday.
- JT, I heard they had everything in except one toilet that came broken. I think if you walk through now things look pretty close to done. I think we are almost down to IT work only.

RESOLUTIONS

Award Prop FB1-23

JV, Where are we with the twin pipes in Deposit?

JT, That's Bridge 136.

JV, I'm just wondering if the draw down they are planning is going to effect this.

JT, I don't think so.

JV, There is a meeting next week, I'm sure there will be a lot of fishermen there.

JC, How long do you think that will be closed when we do the work?

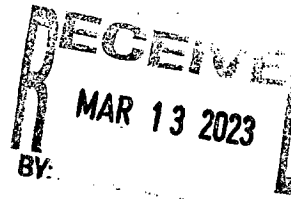
JT, I would say at least all summer.

TM, I just want to let you know that Dennis is going in for surgery tomorrow and he said he has a very good prognosis and has decided to run for re-election.



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Delaware County Consortium
Annual Report
DOT
Drug and Alcohol Testing
2022

Average Number of Employees 322

Tests

Drug Tests:

<u>Random Drug</u>	162
<u>Pre Employment</u>	39
<u>Post Accident Drug</u>	8
<u>Return To Duty</u>	0
<u>Follow Up Drug</u>	0
<u>Probable Cause Drug</u>	0

Alcohol Tests:

<u>Random Alcohol</u>	41
<u>Post Accident Alcohol</u>	8
<u>Return To Duty</u>	1
<u>Follow Up Alcohol</u>	3
<u>Probable Cause Alcohol</u>	0

Results

Drug Tests:

<u>Positive Drug</u>	1
<u>Refusals to Submit</u>	0

Alcohol Tests:

<u>Positive Alcohol Screen</u>	2
<u>Positive Alcohol test</u>	2
<u>Refusals to Submit</u>	0

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To: File
From: Tawny Meres
 Safety & Training Manager
Re: Safety Office Report
Date: 3/20/2023

The following is an update to the activities of the Safety Office from 2/23/2023-3/20/2023.

1. Accidents

- None Reported

2. Spills

- None Reported

3. Facilities

- Annual Workplace Violence Committee meeting was held on 3/1/2023 with 8 committee members attending. It was determined that wording referencing personnel in the current DPW policy will be revised. References of "he" will be revised to they or his/her in the document.
- All patrols have received annual fire extinguisher inspections.
- The Safety Officer reached out to NYS DOT to request them at the 2023 Safety Days. DOT personnel have agreed to once again serve as an instructor at the event.
- The Safety Officer has reached out to NBT Insurance to see if they will once again sponsor the food and refreshments for the 2023 Safety Days.
- Hearing tests are almost complete. To date the number of hearing tests administered for DPW and outside municipalities totals 169.
- Spoke to Dale Downin about conducting annual fire drill. Dale stated we would conduct drill in the spring.
- Received and distributed pocket notebooks for flaggers to record vehicle and driver information for drivers who do not obey flagger directions. Information will be gathered and forwarded to law enforcement.
- Certification cards have been received and distributed to personnel who attended the UDIG-NY Certified Excavator in Safe Digging Practices training.

Safety Office Report 3-22-2023.docx

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4. Near Future Objective

- Conduct SWPPP's inspections.
- Conduct random walk through inspections of patrols to identify and violations that might be discovered during a PESH inspection.
- A request has been sent to Emerson Testing for a list of personnel currently included in DPW's drug and alcohol consortium so that the Safety Officer can make updates.
- Complete updating current employee ID's to reflect new title and replace damaged ID's.