

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

November 8, 2023

8:45 A.M.

Attendees:

George Haynes  
John Kosier  
Patricia Valente  
Jim Thomas  
Lisa Henderson  
Tina Molé

Joe Cetta  
Bill Layton  
Jerry Vernold  
Jared Boice  
Tyson Robb  
Lillian Browne

**GENERAL**

• Review of Previous Meeting Minutes

- The minutes of the October 25, 2023 meeting were approved as presented.

• 2024 Drug and Alcohol Testing Contract

- JT, We got the correct pricing for this. It has gone up a little but not overly so.
- Committee approved signing the contract.

• Equipment Authorizations - Machinery

- JT, Because of the finance committee's request we have several of these.
  - 2 Milwaukee M18 Drill kits w/ extra battery for \$2,196.00
  - Committee approved
  - 1 Northstar Hot Water Pressure Washer for \$5,999.99
  - Committee approved.
  - 2 Hougan Drills for \$2,200.06
  - Committee approved.
  - 2 Stihl Pole Pruners for \$1,308.98
  - Committee approved.
  - 4 Stihl leaf blowers for \$883.96
  - JB, They make a big difference when you are cleaning up from cutting brush and such. It's hard to sweep an oil and stoned road.
  - Committee approved.
  - 1 John Deere 644 loader for \$274,070.81
  - GH, How does that compare to the last ones we had.
  - JB, I honestly didn't look back so I'm not sure.
  - JB, They actually have one on the lot in Pennsylvania so this may work out to our benefit.
  - JB, Volvo also has one on the lot, it's a 280. We'll see if it's still there when the budget gets passed.
  - Committee approved.
  - 2 Bucket Sweeper attachments for skidsteers for \$21,300
  - These make clean up a lot easier, it sweeps everything right into the bucket and you can load it into the truck.
  - Committee approved.
  - 3 Distance Meters for pickup trucks for \$2,115.00
  - Use these for laying out projects and UFPOs. It's more complicated now with all the electronics in the vehicles.
  - GH, So is it electronic or just a wheel?
  - JB, It's electronic, it shows right up on the dashboard.
  - Committee approved.

- 1 Dodge Durango for Engineering for \$42,174.80.
- This is replacing one of the minivans. Those are from 2002, the one won't pass inspection because the frame.
- JB, Again, they actually have one on the lot.
- PV, Is this new or used?
- JT, New, it's a 2023.
- GH, Four wheel drive?
- JB, All wheel drive.
- GH, That's on a State Bid?
- JB, Yes, OGS contract.
- Committee approved.
- Miscellaneous drill bits for Hougan drills for \$2,276.90.
- GH, is that one set or two?
- JB, It's really just a bunch of miscellaneous bits.
- Committee approved.
- Tool boxes for new pickup trucks for \$1,133.93
- JT, The new trucks come with tool boxes but they have changed them and now the chainsaws don't fit in them anymore. This will give them a place for the saws.
- JB, They have narrowed up the boxes that come with the truck so they aren't inside the wheel well. So this will be a crossover box.
- GH, SO they will still be using the other boxes?
- JB, Yes.
- BL, Where do you get these from?
- JB, These are from Tractor Supply.
- Committee approved.
- Miscellaneous lifting straps for bridge crew for \$510.50.
- JT, Just replacing ones that get worn out. They get nicked and everything when we use them.
- Committee approved.

- Estimate for Repair

- JT, Just an FYI, one of the foreman hit a deer on the way to work yesterday, we got two quotes, Dave's in Walton is lower and he says he can have it done by Monday at a cost of \$1,418.30.

## **SOLID WASTE**

- Equipment Authorization

- JT, Request for boxes. Two C&D boxes for a total of \$16,080.00.
- TR, These are heavy duty C&D Boxes, open top 40 yard boxes.
- JT, That leaves \$2,701.61 in the
- JC, These were budgeted for correct?
- TR, Yes.
- Committee approved.

- Travel Request

- JT, DEC invited the County specifically for the leachate management issue. Meeting is tomorrow in Albany.
- Committee approved.

- TR, It will be good to go. They are still talking about trying to limit the offsite transport of leachate. We need to talk about the recovery of nutrients, I don't want them to prevent us from using the benefits inside the leachate.

- C&D cell

- TR, We are still trying to figure this out, DMM3 is still coming. So we need to figure out a new/different way to use the C&D area. Maybe to use it as a limited processing area could work, building a new liner system there isn't really an option because of the 180 day time line. I'll just update our manual for our MSW landfills to where we can process C&D on that cell. Because our permits are coming right up.

- Cell 4s

- TR, We basically did surgery and took the destructive samples and they passed with flying colors. That was the weld seams between the liner itself.

- GH, And that's the ones you were worried about?

- TR, Well its just not good to open up a cell once it is completed, the welds are very well proven technology. So you have to open it up and then wedge weld in a patch which is an inferior product. So we tried to utilize the track record of the company which is hundreds of miles of welds with no failure but to no avail, they wanted it tested.

- TR, Hopefully we can get that closed back up tomorrow, we just need to make sure we have everything we need and that everything passed before we stitch it back and fill it in. If all goes well we can get the approval to move in shortly.

- Reclamation

- TR, Hopefully that will get amended to our permit sometime next year.

- Compost

- We are back up and running. We did the UT scans of the shell and it's what we figured, it's time to start working towards a replacement. The numbers confirm that.

- GH, Was it any worse than we thought?

- TR, Not really, but its time to start looking at a new one.

- TR, the DEC sent us a letter, in 2022 there was some concern about our temperatures and getting our samples to a lab on time for the fecal coliform testing. I went back through the data and we did get the samples there, the lab just didn't do the testing. So we are switching labs. The hold time for the fecal coliform test is only 6 hours so its about impossible to meet anyways.

- PV, Who were you using?

- TR, We were using Microbac, we have used them forever. But they are having staffing issues and not performing well so we will be switching to ALS.

## **ROAD**

- Delaware South & North

- JT, They have been ditching, that's probably coming to an end. Will be switching to brush and tree trimming. Getting ready for winter. We have a winter storm warning for tonight.

- JK, They were working on that spot by Hanselman's when I came through today, looks like that should go in the ditch now. That will be good.

## **BRIDGE**

- BR 32

- JT, Shutting down for winter this week. Moving stuff out and getting cleaned up. Will be back in the spring to do the road work and guide rail.

- BR 136
  - JT, Still working with the State, should be out to bid this winter for work to be done next year.
- BR 7-3
  - JT, This is the next BridgeNY project, it won't go for a year or two. But is in the planning stage.
- Bridge painting
  - JT, All set to get this moving for bid and work to be done next year.
- Bovina catch basins
  - JT, Done for now. Not to say we won't find more.
  - TM, Thank you.
  - JB, We have the majority of it done. We got the problem spots taken care of.
- Sidney Demos
  - JT, Still waiting on the State to sign off on 70 River. We have the excavator sitting there ready to go. That is the last house we have to do. Hopefully any day now that will come through.
  - JB, We have a meeting at 11:30 today, hopefully we get answers.
  - JT, Gorick is still all set to start on November 20<sup>th</sup>, should be out by the 30<sup>th</sup>.

## **DPW BLDG PROJECT**

- Construction status report
  - JT, We're still in this building. We'll know more tomorrow. J&K did have a bunch of people here a day or two last week but I don't know if the repair was certified or not.
  - JT, Jared's crew is in there building shelving for the storage area. That's cheaper than buying it and we'll get a better product.
  - BL, So is all the furniture in there? Or do you still need to move stuff?
  - JT, Basically everyone has new desks, they are there. We still need to move everything else.
  - PV, Did we get the door lock system taken care of?
  - JT, No.
  - GH, They are still waiting on the software for that?
  - JT, yes, last I talked to Pete, he and IT were working on it. We don't have the CO so I haven't pushed it. We can't get the CO until we get the heating unit repair certified we can't get the CO.
  - TM, When you move out of here will you have any extra desks?
  - JT, I'm sure we will

## **RESOLUTIONS**

Budget Amendment - Transfer of Funds - Machinery Fund

- JT, This is being done at the request of Finance. Covers all the stuff you approved today.