

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

December 13, 2023

8:45 A.M.

Attendees:	George Haynes	Joe Cetta
	John Kosier	Bill Layton
	Patricia Valente	Jerry Vernold
	Tina Molé	Jim Thomas
	Jared Boice	Lisa Henderson
	Tyson Robb	Elizabeth DeFalco

GENERAL

- Review of Previous Meeting Minutes
 - The minutes of the November 21, 2023 meeting were approved as presented.
- Auction
 - LH, The auction went very well. Everything went for at least scrap value. The crane went for \$45,700, backhoes went for \$22,300 and \$26,100, tractor went for \$21,200, one tandem went for \$13,200. The cars were all over. The high bidder on one tandem didn't pay so that will be relisted. People are coming to pick stuff up, most of it is gone already. Total of \$196,605.00. Of that \$163,692.17 is DPW Machinery fund, \$6,200.00 is Solid Waste and the balance of \$26,712.83 will go to the General Fund.
 - LH, Putting things together to do another auction after the holidays. Resolution prefiled today for DPW stuff that will be going. Hope to do that mid-January.
- Authorization to Fill Vacancies (Upgrades for 2024)
 - JT, These are for the upgrades for 2024. There's 2 Administrative Aide positions here and 2 Building Maintenance Mechanic II at the landfill.
 - Committee approved these.

SOLID WASTE

- Permits
 - TR, We got the permits in for the MSW and the C&D cell. Looking for an extension on the C&D cell until we can get a system in place, working with the regional office so we can have a smooth transition there. Then next spring we will talk about consolidating the permits for compost, MSW and hopefully by then we will have system in place for the C&D Cell. Going forward with the new regulations the MRF will have to be permitted as well. So I'm just looking for a little breathing room there.
- Cell 4s
 - TR, We got the certification documentation report in. This is the 4th response to comments from the DEC. Hopefully the final. I have high hopes we will have permission to move into that cell shortly.
 - TR, We closed out the general contract earlier this year. I've been trying to close out the electrical side as well, NelCorp has not been great about getting back to us. There are change orders and it will probably be a net neutral so they aren't looking for any money so there's no motivation.

- Compost

- TR, Still looking for an engineer.
- JT, It's a very specialized thing we are looking for. So it may take a while.
- TR, I'm hoping to have someone early next year.

- Electric contract

- TR, I was approached by an electronics recycling company that will actually pay us for electronics. That's the first time I've ever seen that. So I forwarded that on to the recycling association for the State. I think it would be a good thing for us to do. They are based out of Wisconsin and operate nationally. It won't cover all the cost but it will help for sure.
- JT, And we would still use the other company as well?
- TR, Yes. I just think this would be in our best interest to look at this.

ROAD

- Delaware South & North

- JT, We are taking care of snow when it snows and doing tree work otherwise. We are down two tandems so we have no spares. That has bit us a couple times already. We will get the roads done, they just might not get done every 4 hours.
- GH, So we have no spares?
- JB, Not right now. We had two spares in the north and two in the south but then we put two trucks in Kelly Corners, now we only have two spares and we had two front line trucks go down.
- GH, What do we have in the works to make up the difference?
- JT, We have 4 on order, 2 from 2022 and 2 from 2023.
- JT, So we are doing the best we can.
- GH, So we are really using trucks that we would have normally sent down the road?
- JB, Yes we are. We have one that the bridge crew has been using that we might get a day out of if we had to.

BRIDGE

- BR 32

- JT, This is shut down for the winter.

- BR 136 BridgeNY Round 3

- JT, Did final review of plans, that should go out to bid soon.

- BR 7-3 BridgeNY Round 4 (\$5.3 million)

- JT, Still in the planning stages.

- BridgeNY Round 5 - ~\$6.6 million

- JT, Application due January 26, 2024, we don't have one bridge that is that much but we will probably put in for 2 or 3. They changed the way they allocate the money so it is now based on bridge deck area in the county. So that helps us out.
- JT, They do have funds available for Culverts in Region 9 if the Towns have any large culverts that need replacing. The Village of Stamford actually got one in the last round.
- JK, Is that by the Farmer's Coop?
- JT, No, that's by the school. The one by the Farmer's Coop is in Soil and Water's hands.

- Bridge painting 2024

- JT, this should go out to bid soon as well.

- Sidney Demos

- JT, The contract job is done. Jared thought he was done but Planning has a couple sheds that need to come down. They just aren't on any list that we had.
 - PV, So other than the sheds the project is done?
 - JT, The field work is done.
 - JB, We have some clean up and sidewalk repair to do too but the demolition is done.

DPW BLDG PROJECT

- Construction status report

- JT, We have the CO. Before we can move we need IT to hook up the phone and computer jacks. We did have our meeting there last week so one phone jack works. We are looking at moving after the first of the year.

 - TM, What are we doing with this building when everything is out and you are gone?
 - JT, It is our intent to knock it down. I know Glen has expressed interest in it but we're moving for a reason.
 - JC, It needs to come down.
 - JT, I can't believe it hasn't caught fire yet.
 - PV, Would we do that?
 - JB, No, it would be bid as controlled demolition because of the asbestos and everything.

 - JT, Other two buildings are moving along slowly.

LH, I have one thing that isn't on the agenda, NYS Highway Superintendent dues for \$250.00 Committee approved.

RESOLUTIONS

Surplus Equipment

Appropriate Solid Waste Funds

- TR, we just budgeted very conservatively and this will give us some cushion to get to the end of the year.
 - JK, Can you tell me if the C&D in Harpersfield has gone down any since we started issuing the new stickers and permits?
 - TR, I don't know but I can take a look at it.

JK, Will our meetings continue to be before the Board meeting at 8:45?

JT, Yes. Will the Committee be changing?

TM, No, I am going to put this back to a 5 person committee. I think it's a good group and you work well together. Patty we are going to miss you. Thank you for all you've done the past 7 months.