

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

August 28, 2024

8:45 A.M.

Attendees:	George Haynes	Joe Cetta
	John Kosier	Bill Layton
	Jerry Vernold	Tina Molé
	Jim Thomas	Lisa Henderson
	Tyson Robb	

GENERAL

- Review of Previous Meeting Minutes
 - The minutes of the July 24th meeting were approved as presented.
- Authorization to Fill Vacancy
 - JT, We have two of these. First is on the bridge crew. Have an employee who wanted a year's leave of absence to help his father recover from a medical situation and do some other personal stuff. If it was just the medical thing it would be different but he was going to be doing a lot of other work and we just didn't feel it was a good precedent to set so we said no. If there is a position open and he wants to come back in the future we would take him back. He's a good worker.
 - Committee approved.
 - JT, Second is an HEO that we just got done training and got his CDL. He took a week off and then called on Thursday and said he wasn't coming back. His supervisor told him he had to come do paperwork and he said nope, I'm too far away and I'm not doing it.
 - Committee approved.
- Safety Officer's Report
 - Copy was distributed to everyone. (Copy attached)
- Cycling challenge
 - JT, This is help annually by the Catskill Mountain Rec Center. They have given us all the necessary insurance documents so I don't have any issues with it. Just wanted you to know.

SOLID WASTE

- Conference Request
 - Recycling conference in Cooperstown. \$346.08.
 - Committee approved.
- Authorizations for Equipment (2)
 - JT, first is for a container for paint recycling. \$10,378.00. We should get reimbursed for this.
 - Committee approved.
 - JT, second is for a new air meter, this would be a backup to the one we currently have.
 - \$1,930.61
 - Committee approved.

- Compost

Bioreactor replacement

- TR, Plans are coming together better. Still on schedule for this fall.
- GH, That's coming pretty quick.
- TR, The last set was pretty close. We are over \$500,000 so Wicks law applies. I haven't got a lot of feedback from Amy or Jeremy.
- TM, Have you asked them?
- TR, Yes.
- GH, So are you thinking about November? Because September is just around the corner.
- TR, I was thinking October but we can say November. I have been having weekly meetings to keep things moving. I was hoping that the firm would drive that but it wasn't happening. The meetings have helped. So either way it would be installed next summer. The one contract would be the building and the bioreactor, the other would be the electrical. The electrical will be small.
- JT, They wanted to do two separate contracts for the building and the bioreactor and that made me nervous, I would like one person responsible, they can sub the work out but it will eliminate a lot of coordination if it's under one contract.
- TR, So that's where that stands.
- GH, Do we have an estimate on that so we know what we need? We are in budget time so we would need that.
- TR, It's very hard to get numbers, the transportation is a huge wildcard.
- GH, We just need an idea.
- TR, I'll get something together for that. \$6 million was my guess last year, I think it might be a little less.

- TR, We are working on old computers, we need to update. Everyone I talk to says it will be expensive and when I ask for a price they disappear so I have but a request into IT.
- TM, You should just call Joe directly.
- TR, We just need to get them updated.

- Reclamation

- TR, Should be ready to go this fall as well. Should have engineers estimate for the next meeting.

- TR, Rain cover has been installed, it will be a little more than what the bid was because the way we did the bid we could do extra at a per foot price so we are covering everything we can.

- Cleansweep

- TR, That's happening. Phone registration starts Friday. Ads are out.

ROAD

- CR 14 – Electric Wires

- JT, We took some wires down, our truck was legal and had met a private guy who was hauling an excavator and dragging wires. NYSEG came out, it was a private line so they wouldn't fix it. Just want you to be aware in case anything comes of it.

- Solar Signs - New Kingston

- JT, We have a request from a group in New Kingston, have told them we will do the same for them as we did for everyone else. Sent them the process.

- TM, I think they do work.
- GH, There is no cost to the County right?
- LH, We do the actual installation so we know it is done correctly and is in compliance.

- 8/9 Flood

- JT, I guess some towns had a lot of damage, ours was very minimal. We had a lot of trees down that we were out cleaning up all weekend.
- JT, The stream on both side of the mountain on CR 26 got pretty close to the road so we are getting permits to fix that.
- JT, We had some culverts clog on CR 36 and CR 8, we cleaned that up the next week.
- JT, I know Colchester and Andes have a lot of damage but if we had \$50,000 that's a stretch. If anyone needs help they just need to call and ask. We are here.
- TM, I have had a meeting with Steve Hood, the Sheriff, Jim, Shelly. I feel like this was very different, there is a lot of staff turnover here and in the Towns. I'm just trying to get everyone on the same page. Jim will have one of his staff talk to the Towns so they know they can call for help.
- JT, Our biggest impact is that we might get a few new bridges. I'm aware of one in Roxbury and one possible in Hancock.

- Paint truck

- JT, Still down. We have ordered a new pump to the tune of \$13 thousand. I have reached out to DOT to see if they can help us get at least the roads done that don't have any lines on them. We would like to get at least the centerline down.
- TM, Will they charge us?
- LH, I hope not. I think it can be done as a shared service. We have certainly done a lot for them over the years.
- GH, Do they have a paint truck local?
- LH, I'm not 100% sure, I know they have one in the Region.

- Delaware South

- Mowing
- Small projects, flood clean up
- CR 67 culverts
 - Pave 67 this year
- JV, They did a great job mowing on CR 21. It looks great.

- Delaware North

- Big paving projects done
- Mowing – we are behind – but catching up
- Small projects, flood clean up

- Fuel islands

- JT, Delhi - should be up today, that's been a long time coming. The everything will be updated.

- Cleanpath – meeting August 29

- JT, We have a meeting on this tomorrow. Looked at last updates, we still have a few minor updates. Will get them to Keving Young and get that to them. It is moving.

BRIDGE

- BR 32

- JT, Should be done this week. They just need to seed and mulch. That will be nice to wrap up. It has gone really well. Will have a nice negative change to close it out.

- BR 136 BridgeNY Round 3

- JT, End abutment concrete poured
 - JT, Begin abutment piles this week – some problems, one of the piles jumped out of position so they had to pull it and redrive it. That's going to cost the contractor, but they clearly didn't follow the spec so that's on them.

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

- Design started
 - Meeting last week, plan forward

- BridgeNY Round 5 - ~\$6.6 million

- 41-2 and BR 5 (Corbett)
 - Both Awarded
 - Starting process with NYSDOT

- Bodoit Road bridge

- No update, don't expect to hear on this until next year.

- Bridge painting 2024

- JT, Big change order most likely coming – meeting tomorrow on steel prices, there is a lot more steel repairs than anticipated. There is a lot of discussion on the pricing on this. Hopefully we can work something out. Dan and I have checked the math and we don't agree with it. I have told them that they can just go to force account if we can't come to agreement. Will know more by the next meeting.

- JT, We will do more evaluation on the next round of bridges so we don't run in to this again.

- Bridge Crew

- Hancock bridges
 - 163 Lordville
 - Deck completed yesterday
 - Still plenty of backfill, approach, guiderail work
 - Will let school bus through 9/5 and beyond

- JV, Is that narrower than before?

- JT, No. It is the same.

- JT, Jared has done a great job keeping that moving with all of the problems that have come up. It has definitely been a challenge.

67-21

- Rail complete today hopefully
 - Lights gone tomorrow

DPW BLDG PROJECT

- Construction status report

- JT, Very s-l-o-w, Jeff was in yesterday and said there was one person in all week last week. I'm sure they'll get more people when school starts.
- GH, They can't have much left to do.
- JT, Some of it is our IT people need to do some work and that's not done. I asked Joe yesterday where they were on that, I haven't heard back from him. Walton isn't moving any faster.
- GH, They are getting there and what is done looks great.

Liquidated damages letter sent, \$500 per Calander Day

Bloomville July 3rd, 2024

Walton August 1st, 2024

RESOLUTIONS

- Change Orders 1&2 for Prop. 27-22
- Surplus Equipment

BL, On CR 27 there is a spot where there is still water in the road.

JT, I'll have someone take a look at it.