

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

September 11, 2024

8:45 A.M.

Attendees:

George Haynes  
Bill Layton  
Jim Thomas  
Tyson Robb

Joe Cetta  
Jerry Vernold  
Lisa Henderson

**GENERAL**

• Review of Previous Meeting Minutes

- The minutes from the August 28, 2024 meeting were approved as presented.

• Authorization to Fill Vacancy

- JT, Just one, BCM turned in his resignation.  
- Committee approved.

**SOLID WASTE**

• Compost

- Things are going ok. We keep having power outages but that's the line coming from Delhi.

- Bioreactor replacement is moving along. Should have bid documents in a week or two. They have submitted what they are calling 100% plans but there are a few things we will go back to them with. I have started a grant for that but I don't know if I'll ever get it finished, it is a recycling grant through the State, we could get \$5,000,000, I just have no time. Project is going well. It's not a silver bullet, it's the system we have and it works for us. There may be challenges in the future but it's the system we got. So if you are in favor we will keep moving forward with it.

- JC, Doesn't seem like we have much of a choice.

• Reclamation

- Again, we are almost ready to put this to bid shortly. We are working out the finances and timing. That would be moving the Cell 1 waste, just frogging it all out and putting a rain cap on it.

- JC, We are doing that in house correct?

- TR, no, that will be bid out as it needs to be done quickly. There will be a lot of disturbance. We moved some 10,000 yards two years ago and you could see it in our ground water quality. You know, its best if we do it quickly, it's in our best interest. We don't really move stuff every day, it's not what we do, I don't have extra guys. It is open ended, so doing some is an option, the way the work plan is written.

- JT, How many yards are you talking about?

- TR, 300,000 yards. So you are talking 5 guys for eight months, it is restricted, you can only move so much a day, I think it's like 1,000 yards, there's no room for more trucks or workers.

- TR, We will get some money back from CWC for this and the last project. Maybe around \$400,000.

- JT, Estimate for the reclamation is \$4,800,000. It should come in under that, I feel like there's a lot of fluff in there.

- TR, The swing there is the price per yard, it could be anywhere from \$2 to \$20 so the estimate is based on \$12. It really depends on the contractor. So I am working through the contract documents on that now.
- JC, When is it going to bid?
- JT, We are working out the finances. We need to meet with Finance and see how they want to proceed.
- GH, I'll talk with Art and see what he wants to do. We have the money.
- LH, We just need to figure out how to get it where it needs to be. It's just not the greatest timing for bidding large projects that affect the budget. It's just not ideal.
- TR, But it's a good time for contractors.

- Cleansweep

- TR, It's happening. I'm securing volunteers now, we'll be ok.

## **BUDGET**

- JT, We don't have it ready, it's 100% my fault. We will have it for the next meeting.
- JC, We just need to let Penny know.
- LH, She is aware.

## **ROAD**

- 2022 plow truck delivered

- JT, We got one of the trucks, the other is broke down on their lot. They think it's the alternator last I heard.

- 8/9 Flood

- JT, I haven't heard anything official, but I know Colchester and Andes got hammered.
- JT, Our biggest impact may be new bridges. There may be one on Hancock and one in Roxbury.

- Paint truck

- JT, Still down, we reached out to DOT for help as a shared service, they said they can't help. They have two trucks but one is broke down so they are behind schedule. Needless to say I won't be jumping to help them anytime in the near future. We are helping them with some rail in Hancock.
- JV, That's not going to happen this year, Neil told me that Cobleskill is shutting the blacktop plant down the second week in October.
- JT, That seems early, it's usually around Thanksgiving. And we need to T&L CR 67.
- JT, So we are still waiting for the pump. We'll see what we can do.

- Delaware South

Mowing – helping Del North on CR 2

- We don't have an over the rail mower in the north. We asked them to come up and help with a problem on CR 2 and the one seasonal guy quit on the spot. We have no idea why but he wasn't coming to the north. So now they are doing the whole road.

Small projects, flood clean up

CR67 culverts

Pave 67 this year

- Delaware North  
Big paving projects done – maybe small change, we may do some work on CR 10.  
Small projects, flood clean up
- Fuel islands  
Delhi – up and down, there seems to be a pressure issue that causes the pumps to shut down when it gets warm. They seem to vapor lock.  
Walton had been good
- Cleanpath – meeting August 29  
Minor updates to Kevin Youngs DPW updates  
Meeting went well

## **BRIDGE**

- BR 32  
- JT, Hopefully done this week? Rail is scheduled to be done on Friday and that is all that is left.  
We will have a nice negative change for this one.
- BR 136 BridgeNY Round 3  
Begin abutment concrete poured yesterday, it's a two year project, we knew that going in.  
Wasn't supposed to get beams this year but now they are thinking they might get them. Overall going well. Biggest issue was an invasive species.
- BR 7-3 BridgeNY Round 4 (\$5.3 million)  
Design started. We have had a lot of back and forth. You would think it was easy but it has a lot of issues.  
Meeting last week, plan forward
- BridgeNY Round 5 - ~\$6.6 million  
41-2 and BR 5 (Corbett)  
Both Awarded  
Starting process with NYSDOT/Modjeski and Masters
- Bodoit Road bridge FUDR grant  
No update
- Bridge painting 2024  
- JT, Lots of steel repair on both bridges. We did have a meeting, the biggest issue is that a lot of the new repairs are bent plates, not flat plates, bent plates are heavier. We are basically rebuilding one whole beam on the Morton Hill bridge. I'm still not to happy about the cost but it does make sense when you think about it.  
- JT, No cost change order coming to extend contract 11/10  
- JT, Next round of bridges we will reevaluate our strategy, we will do a lot more inspection before we go out to bid. We were using the State Inspection Reports, we will be hands on looking at them going forward.

- Bridge Crew

Hancock bridges

163 Lordville, Should be complete tomorrow or Friday, it is open to traffic now, the amount of traffic is crazy.

67-21, Done

Small repairs to finish year, some post and block out work that needs to be done.

## **DPW BLDG PROJECT**

- Construction status report

Very s-l-o-w

Need showers complete for CO

Liquidated damages letter sent, \$500 per Calander Day

Bloomville July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024

Walton August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024

Some retainage will be released soon on Delhi building

- GH, Pete did ask about heat for the old building, I told him we could shut it down before winter. We should be moved in the next few weeks.

- JT, You would think with schools opening up they would have people, but we still haven't seen anyone.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

- None