

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

January 22, 2025

8:45 A.M.

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

GENERAL

• Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes (Dec 11, Jan 8)

- The minutes of the December 11, 2024 and January 8, 2025 meetings were approved as presented.

SOLID WASTE

• Compost

- TR, Compost is running. They did some welding on the bioreactor this past Monday trying to keep that going. Will look at the transmission this coming Monday. Trying to not shut down. The agitator is in pretty bad shape, that's been running for probably 10-15 years. Trying to get that bid out quickly.

- GH, What's the lead time on that?

- TR, Probably a year. And it will take a month to get it bid out and I haven't done that yet. So say a year and two months. But we have money budgeted for it so that's good.

• Bioreactor replacement

- TR, Getting after B&L to get this going again after being out, trying to get some movement. There is a couple companies still interested so that's good. We are just switching up the way we are bidding it to try and be more attractive.

- GH, When do you think that will hit the streets?

- TR, Well I thought it would already be there. I thought it would be pretty easy to put it back out. I'm making them do weekly progress meetings again. So the first one is today. I say how is it going, they say great. I say what's going on and I get nothing. We'll figure it out. I'm getting them looped back in. Not sure what they have been doing the last month or two.

• Cell 1 Reclamation

- TR, Going ok. Site is completely frozen.

- GH, Are they working?

- TR, They were there yesterday. Basically working on equipment trying to get it running. I think they will make it in the time frame.

- JB, I think they'll pick up once we get past this cold snap.

- TR, Yes. They aren't quite to actual waste yet. There's a lot of material on top. We only poked so many holes in the old cell so it's hard to tell what's there. But they haven't quite started relocating waste yet but they have moved quite a bit of material.

• Transfer Stations

- JT, I gave Kent the engineer's plans to forward on to the town. I think we are done there until we hear back from them.

ROAD

- Delaware North & South
 - JT, Just chasing snow. Doing some brush cutting but when it's this cold you're just fighting to keep things running.
 - TR, Fuel pumps were froze up this morning.
 - JB, They aren't frozen, they are just really slow. We checked all the filters and nothing is frozen.
 - TR, Well maybe it was gelled up?
 - JB, No, it's just super slow.

BRIDGE

- BR32
 - JT, Working on final paperwork. Will get that into the State and get reimbursed.
- BR 136 BridgeNY Round 3
 - JT, Shut down for winter.
- BR 7-3 BridgeNY Round 4 (\$5.3 million)
 - Design underway
 - ROW letters sent to MJ
- BridgeNY Round 5 - ~\$6.6 million
 - 41-2 and BR 5 (Corbett)
 - Sent SLA's back after the last meeting. Probably won't be constructed until 2027 or 2028.
- Bridge Crew
 - JT, Still helping the mechanics with moving and setting things up. Started looking at what needs to be fabricated for this year's projects and getting ready to start that work. Doing catch basins.
 - JT, Jared did hire a new BCM. He was working for Pete.
- Engineers
 - JT, Started working on designs for this year's bridge projects.

DPW BLDG PROJECT

- Construction status report
 - J&K claims
 - JT, Met with J&K and Delaware Engineering last week. We are pretty far apart on what they think is fair and what we feel is fair. They didn't have much to back up their claims of what it has cost them. We asked for more documentation. Will see where that goes.

Wakin survey

- JT, Haven't heard from him on this. I can't imagine he's going out in this weather to do work. He said mid-January.
- TM, How long is it going to take? We really want to get that auctioned off.
- JT, The field work should take a day. But I don't know what is time frame is after that. And it will then need to go through the planning board process and I don't know how long that will take either. Biggest issue Kent saw was that the properties showed different owners. But we will keep it moving.

Using LOTS of propane

- JT, Still using lots of propane. The guy from J&K did say those air handlers are energy hogs. Some discussion was held on the subject. The air handlers have been reprogrammed to run only during the day when there are people present. We don't know yet if the changes that Pete made are working because it has brutally cold the last two weeks. Shops remain on weekly deliveries at this time. There is also a lag in the paperwork being delivered due to everyone being spread out all over.

RESOLUTIONS

None

- JC, I would like to bring up the subject of the patrol garage on Water Street in the Village of Walton. We have been working on flood mitigation projects and we have done a lot. We still have a bunch of money to spend but we are on a time frame. I know the relocation of that shop has been talked about in the past and I'd like us to really start looking at it.

The Committee discussed this. We will start looking for possible locations and get an idea of what size building would be needed and what that might cost.