

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

June 27, 2012

PRESENT:

Michael Benson, Chairman
Raymond Staats
Lawrence Andrews
Arthur Bassin
Thomas Garrick
Ronald Knott
Jeffrey Nayer
Sarah Sterling
Jeffrey Braley

ALSO PRESENT:

Gail DiCosmo, Clerk
Jolene Race
Bernard Kelleher
David Robinson
Robert Pinto
Dean Knox
Steve Hook
Ken Sammons
John Rutkey
Kevin McDonald
Robert Fitzsimmons
Chairman Grattan

PRESS: 1

Chairman Benson called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

Solid Waste: J. Race

STATION REPORT – DISTRIBUTED

PROJECTS:

The HHW collection went great, despite the weather. 229 households participated for a total cost of \$23,602.80. All paperwork has been submitted to NYSDEC & working on the application for 50% reimbursement.

With coordination of the Treasurer's office & the Bank of Greene County, our office had two check readers installed to assist with depositing of the solid waste revenue. During the past few weeks, our department has deposited over 3400 checks which totaled over \$90,000.00 .

Participated in a presentation for the acceptance of credit cards at the Greenport Transfer Station for both the scale & roll off business.

Started to finalize the contract for the transportation & handling of our recyclable material. Would like to have the contract completed by July 1st & would like to implement the accepting of plastics #1-7 by August 1st.

Started to advertise the charging of yard waste and sending notification out in our monthly billing. Implementation date will be July 9th.

Resolution Request:

Authorization to fill the position of part time laborer in the Solid Waste Department, Grade 11 at a Step 1 hourly rate of \$14.0572, the position is vacant due to a resignation, motion by L. Andrews, seconded by J. Braley, carried. Refer to budget & Salary, if approved Refer to Finance.

Buildings: D. Robinson

Columbia County Courthouse :

The courthouse project went out to bid on 5/15/12. Milestone dates are as follows:

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| • | Mandatory preconstruction meeting @ Courthouse (completed) | 5/31/12 |
| • | Last date for contractor's "Requests-for-Information" (completed) | 6/19/12 |
| • | Bids due | 7/3/12 |
| • | Recommendations for Award to Special Public Works Committee meeting | 7/11/12 |
| • | Recommendation for Award to Full Board | 7/11/12 |

The Public Works Committee needs to pass a resolution authorizing construction phase professional services for construction administration and construction inspection. A copy of the professional services proposal was disseminated with last month's agenda. This matter will be handled at the special meeting of the Public Works Committee meeting on 7/11/12, if awarding the bids.

Columbia County needs to move forward in a expeditious manner to secure and plan for an off-site facility to house the court function should the County wish to pursue the deduct alternative of making the entire courthouse available to the contractor without the court function present. The off-site facility needs to be secured and plans to transition the court function to the temporary facilities commenced by the end of June 2012.

Columbia County Communications / EOC Center:

The County Attorney's office is pursuing action against the General Contractor, General's Roofing Subcontractor, and Dimensional Metals, the metal roof manufacturer for roof leaks that happened in February 2011.

Joe McGrath of the NYS Department of Labor met with this Department on May 2, 2012 at the Public Safety Building to review the installations of the fire / smoke dampers installed under a recent contract to determine whether the work satisfies the intent of the NYS Uniform Building Code. Joe McGrath made the determination that the County needs to secure a variance from the NYS Uniform Fire Protection and Building Code as it relates to the installation of some of the smoke / fire dampers between the hallway and inmate day rooms. The County is in the process of preparing the variance and will have a draft copy submitted to Joe McGrath within 30-days for his consideration. Once satisfied, Joe will send the variance application to the Department of Labor for further consideration.

Highway Department Building Project:

Attached is an estimate of probable cost under two scenarios:

- Scenario 1: New Garage for Highway Outpost Function, Renovate Existing Garage for Vehicle Repair Facility (\$1,171,600); and,
- Scenario 2: New Garage for Vehicle Repair Facility, Renovate Existing Garage for Highway Outpost Function (\$1,811,700).

This was discussed, but no decision has been made at this point in time. Questions on heating cost and sprinkler system?

Lands of Kent and Carolyn Sammons:

Mr. Sammons owns a +/-25.11 acre tract contiguous the County's Public Safety Building on Industrial Tract Drive in the Town of Greenport. Mr. Sammons believes that groundwater and stormwater generated from the County's Public Safety Building site is negatively impacting the

best use of his property. Mr. Sammons wishes to sell this property to the County for the sum of \$60,000. The County conducted an appraisal of this property last year. The value of the property at that time was equal to \$44,000. Based upon a recent meeting with the land owner on 6/6/12, the landowner requested that a resolution be brought to the Public Works Committee for consideration of purchasing his land in the amount of \$60,000 with said purchase non-inclusive of a +/-1-acre parcel along NYS Route 66.

Resolution Requests:

Authorization to purchase the Lands of Sammons in the amount of \$60,000, this is tabled, pending discussion in Executive Session.

Facilities: R. Pinto

Work Schedule:

Routine maintenance continues at the Solid Waste Stations and the Airport
Work requests from Pine Haven and Public Safety Bldg. Are completed daily
Sons & Daughters of Italy and Philmont Nutrition are cleaned weekly
Copy paper is delivered to various County Departments weekly for Central Service
Mowing and trimming of lawns is on going
Shrubs have been trimmed at entrances at Commerce Park
A new tire machine has been installed at the Central Garage
Roof top units at PSB have been rewired
Floats used in Flag day parade have been put back into storage
Stripping of 560 parking lot has been completed
Stair railings have been repaired at the Airport
A desk has been repaired for Health Dept.
File cabinets have been moved for Sheriff Dept.
A fan has been replaced at Philmont Nutrition
Activity room floor at Pine Haven has been stripped and waxed
New parking lot lights are being installed at Pine Haven
Parking lot signs have been replaced at Pine Haven
A gate has been replaced at Chatham Transfer Station- (this is not done)
Voting machines were transported for School district voting
Parking lot at 401 has been cleaned up and pot holes filled
The elevator at Pine Haven was down for two days, as of 6/21/12 it is back in service
All roof top units at 325 Col. St. have been washed and cleaned

Personnel :

One individual has been hired for Summer Youth Program for the Facilities Div.
An applicant who had worked as a Laborer last year in the Summer Youth Program in Facilities has been chosen to fill the vacant Laborer position. He started work on 6/11/12
The full-time laborer who had been out of work on FMLA since March has decided to retire effective June 7, 2012. Therefore, he has been removed from the Facilities payroll.
A Sr. Bldg. Maint. Worker is out of work due to a work related injury.

Resolution Request:

Request to fill Laborer position that is vacant due to retirement, GR 11, starting salary \$29,351.00, motion by J. Braley, seconded by J. Nayer, carried. Refer to Budget & Salary, if approved Refer to Finance.

R. Fitzsimmons informed the committee that today closed on the DSS Bldg Parcel A, and the County officially owns that building now.

Engineering: D. Knox

FEDERAL-AID BRIDGE AND HIGHWAY PROJECT UPDATE:

BRIDGES: CO. RTE. 16/HOLLOWVILLE CREEK (CLAVERACK); WALKERS MILL/KLEIN KILL (LIVINGSTON); CO. RTE. 9/INDIAN CREEK (CHATHAM); CO. RTE. 25/FITTING CREEK (STOCKPORT)

HIGHWAYS: CO. RTES. 7 & 7A REHAB. COMBINED W/ BROWN'S BRIDGE - COPAKE; CO. RTE. 18 RECONSTRUCTION - DAMITA DR. TO NYS RTE. 217 - CLAVERACK

LOCALLY FUNDED BRIDGE PROGRAM UPDATE:

FUTURE CAPITAL BRIDGE PROJECT PLANNING; 2012 MAINTENANCE/REPAIR PLANNING; MULTI-BRIDGE ELEMENT-SPECIFIC REPAIR DESIGN/CONTRACT - 2012; BLOCH BRIDGE; UPPER FORGE BRIDGE; MICHALUK BRIDGE; PRATT BRIDGE; FELTS BRIDGE; AND CANAAN 4 CORNERS BRIDGE/VOSBURGH BRIDGE/EAST TAGHKANIC BRIDGE

COUNTY AIRPORT UPDATES

R/W 21 END RSA IMPROVEMENTS/LAND ACQUISITION

Resolution Request – MICHALUK BRIDGE – MAPLE LANE/BASH BISH BROOK PIER REPLACEMENT CONTRACT AWARD , motion by J. Nayer, seconded by J. Braley, carried. Refer to budget & Salary, if approved Refer to Finance.

Resolution Request – MICHALUK BRIDGE – MAPLE LANE/BASH BISH BROOK PIER REPLACEMENT – SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR CA/CI TASK PROFESSIONAL SERVICE, motion by T. Garrick, seconded by J. Braley, carried. Refer to Budget & Salary, if approved Refer to Finance.

Highway: B. Kelleher

Work Schedule:

Replacing culvert pipes.

Completed 2 miles of hot mix paving on County Route 7 in Spencertown and 4.5 miles on County Route 22 in Ghent.

Completed one half mile of full depth road reclamation with cement stabilization and paving on Anthony Street in Hillsdale.

Hot mix patching of roads.

Mowing of roads, airport and landfills.

Roadside sign maintenance.

Equipment Maintenance.

Personnel Update:

Anthony DeMarco has been promoted to Assistant General Foreman.

Highway has 8 summer laborers working at this time.

A motion by A. Bassin, seconded by T. Garrick to enter into EXECUTIVE SESSION at 6:49 PM.
REASON: TO DISCUSS PROPERTY AND CERTAIN PERSONNEL

A motion by T. Garrick, seconded by R. Knott to return to REGULAR SESSION at 7:05 PM.

A motion was made by Chairman Benson, seconded by R. Staats, not to purchase the Sammons property, motion carried.

A motion by T. Garrick, seconded by L. Andrews to enter back into EXECUTIVE SESSION at 7:06 PM.

REASON: TO DISCUSS FACILITIES PERSONNEL

A motion by A. Bassin, seconded by L. Andrews to return to REGULAR SESSION at 7:59 PM, motion carried.

With no further discussion a motion to adjourn at 8:03 PM by J. Nayer, seconded by S. Sterling, motion carried.

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