

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

November 28, 2012

PRESENT:

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

ABSENT:

Jeffrey Braley

ALSO PRESENT:

**Gail DiCosmo, Clerk
Jolene Race
Steve Hook
Robert Pinto
David Robinson
Dean Knox
Jason Nastke
David Ames
Virginia Martin
Ronald Caponera
Bernard Kelleher
Paul Mossman
Chairman Grattan
Natalie Dee-Jones**

PRESS: 1

Chairman Benson called the meeting to order at 6:09 PM.

SOLID WASTE: J. Race

STATION REPORT –Distributed with Agenda

PROJECTS:

Waste Management canceled the meeting we had scheduled for this month. No new date has been set.

The bid for next year's HHW collection event will be going out in December.

Working on revamping some of our reports to make them more consistent with the information required by NYSDEC for our annual station reports. Over the years we have had to be more specific on reporting universal wastes (electronics, batteries, etc).

Holiday schedule for stations will be as follows:

All Stations will be closed on Tuesday, Dec. 25th & January 1st – All stations with the exception of Chatham will be open all day Wednesday, Dec. 26th & January 2nd.

Resolution Request: Authorization to fill the position Motor Equipment Operator I in the Solid Waste Department at a Step 1 salary of \$31,354, motion by A. Bassin, seconded by R. Staats, carried. Refer to Budget & salary Review, if approved forward to Finance.

Awarding the Bid to Central Poly Corporation for the purchasing of garbage bags for the Solid Waste Program , being the lowest responsible bidder and the total purchase for the year is not to exceed \$50,000.00, motion by A. Bassin, seconded by S. Sterling, carried. Refer to Budget & salary Review, if approved forward to Finance.

CENTRAL SERVICES: D. Ames

Resolution Request: Awarding the bids for Meat/Meat products to Ginsberg's Inc., Quandt's Foodservice, Sysco Albany LLC, US Foodservice and Wohrle Foods for the period of January 1, 2013 thru February 28, 2013 and Milk/Dairy products and Eggs to Sycaway Creamery, Inc. and Bread/Baked Goods to Bimbo Foods, Inc. for calendar year 2013, motion by R. Knott, seconded by M. Benson, carried. Refer to Finance.

FACILITIES: R. Pinto

Work Schedule was distributed. A. Bassin requested Pinto to include on his agenda the work being done at the Department of Social Services Bldg.

Resolution Request: Authorization to Transfer Funds in the amount of \$26,000.00 from certain accounts, motion by L. Andrews, seconded by J. Nayer, carried. Refer to Budget & Salary Review, if approved forward to Finance.

R. Pinto spoke about paperwork he received from DEC in October on violations in reference to the Ockawamick Property. The committee did not know about the violations before this meeting. R. Pinto is to forward to the Committee members a copy of the violations from DEC.

Chairman Benson called upon Virginia Martin of the Board of Elections. This is in reference to the moving of the Election Machines to 401 Basement. There were concerns on shelving and some boards that V. Martin questioned on a mold issue, B. Pinto was asked about those boards, Pinto stated they will be bleached out and this issue is resolved. Chairman Benson asked when will these voting machines be moved? R. Pinto informed him it would be tomorrow. There is no other mold in that basement. V. Martin was concerned due to employees will be assigned to work in the basement. Concerns according to R. Pinto have been taken care of.

HIGHWAY: B. Kelleher

Work Schedule:

Patching shoulders.

Erecting snow fence.

Setting up snow and ice control equipment.

Cleaning ditches.

Roadside sign maintenance.

Equipment maintenance.

Personnel Update:

One MEO I has submitted a letter of resignation.

We hired one MEO I and five Seasonal Laborers.

Resolution Request: Authorization to fill the vacant position of Motor Equipment Operator I at the 2012 Step I starting salary of \$32,354.00. This position is vacant due to the resignation of an employee, motion by R. Staats, seconded by R. Knott, carried. Refer to Budget & Salary Review, if approved forward to Finance.

Resolution Request: transfer \$12,000.00 from the Machinery Fund DM5E51304738E4000 (Tires/Tubes) line with a balance of \$27,044.90 in it to the DM5E51304270E4000 (Repair Parts) line. This transfer is being requested to avoid an anticipated shortfall in the repair parts line and we do not anticipate needing \$27,000.00 for tires in the next month, motion by A. Bassin, seconded by S. Sterling, carried. Refer to Budget & Salary Review, if approved forward to Finance.

BUILDINGS: D. Robinson

Columbia County Courthouse:

Concrete footings were poured Monday 11/19/12.

Non-mandatory prebid meeting held on 11/27/12 for moving services.

Special meeting will need to be held prior to Full Board on 12/12/12 to award the contract for moving services.

Court functions will be moved between the dates of 12/26 – 12/28 from the existing building to the Claverack school building.

Weekly construction meetings are held 9:00 am every Tuesday.

PINE HAVEN:

An RFP for professional services to design the new nursing home is being developed. The proposal will be circulated to five firms in satisfaction of the County's procurement policy.

Communications tower preconstruction meeting held on 11/1/12. Work is proceeding and the tower is expected to be erected by the end of the year. Carrier change-over from the existing water tower to the new communications tower will be complete February 2013.

DSS:

Four proposals from architectural firms were received to assist the County with the programming of the DSS building. A summary of the proposals are as follows:

- Woodward, Connor, Gillies & Seleman..... \$19,000
- Fontanese, Folts, Aubrecht & Ernst..... \$28,500
- Clark, Patterson, Lee..... \$38,000
- Lothrop in partnership w/ Architectural Bureau \$99,971

Chairman Benson asked “Define Intent” – D. Robinson stated it is to take care of immediate needs, cosmetics and/or priorities, then evaluation of the building, mechanicals etc. Also a new phone system and a professional on floor space. This information came from the DSS Sub-committee. Also there was some confusion as to Long Term or Short Term.? The committee requested D. Robinson to forward by email the RFP that went out, and the above bids that were submitted to see what was included for costs. D. Robinson stated he did what he was told to do.

County Route 7 / NYS Route 82 Intersection Improvements

A work permit has been issued by the NYSDOT for renovations to this intersection with the purpose of improving sight distance. Preliminary clearing and grubbing work by the County has revealed structural deficiencies in an existing retaining wall that needs further investigation before work can proceed. The department has networked with local contractors for opinions on how to stabilize the wall. This opinion was shared with the NYSDOT and we are awaiting their comments.

Resolution Request: Authorizing the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to execute a professional services agreement with Woodward, Connor, Gillies & Seleman to assist the County with the reprogramming of the DSS building located at 25 Railroad Avenue, Hudson, NY, this was held until further review of the RFP and bids were reviewed as to the work they consisted of.

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; 2013 MAINTENANCE/REPAIR PLANNING; MULTI-BRIDGE ELEMENT-SPECIFIC REPAIR DESIGN/CONTRACT - 2012; UPPER FORGE BRIDGE; MICHALUK BRIDGE; PRATT BRIDGE; FELTS BRIDGE; CANAAN 4 CORNERS BRIDGE/VOSBURGH BRIDGE/EAST TAGHKANIC BRIDGES

COUNTY AIRPORT UPDATES

R/W 21 END RSA IMPROVEMENTS/LAND ACQUISITION

RESOLUTION REQUEST – Authorizing the Chairman of the Columbia County Board of Supervisors to execute a Professional Services Agreement with WSP Sells of Briarcliff Manor, NY in the amount of \$84,800.00 for the Final Design of the Rehabilitation of the Stottville Bridge/Bin 3342270 carrying County Rte. 20 (Atlantic Ave.) over Claverack Creek in the Town of Stockport, motion by R. Staats, seconded by R. Knott, carried. Refer to Budget & Salary Review, if approved forward to Finance.

RESOLUTION REQUEST – Authorizing the Chairman of the Columbia County Board of Supervisors to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. (GPI) of Albany, NY in the amount of \$26,820.00 for the Final Design of the Replacement of Columbia County large culvert #54/0.453 located along Columbia County Rte. 8 (Main Street) in the Town of Germantown, motion by R. Knott, seconded by T. Garrick, carried. Refer to Budget & Salary Review, if approved forward to Finance.

CONFERENCE OBJECTIVE FORM:

NYS County Highway Superintendents Association Winter Conference in Albany, NY on January 22 – January 24, One (1) attending at a total cost of \$175.00; motion by R. Knott, seconded by S. Sterling, carried.

Budget Reviews were discussed for each department and a motion to adjourn at 8:05 PM by L. Andrews, seconded by R. Staats, motion carried.

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