

**JOINT ONEIDA COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS & SOLID WASTE/PLANNING &
DEVELOPMENT/LABOR RELATIONS & EMPLOYEE SERVICES COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

**Oneida County Highway Office Conference Room
Thursday, June 1, 2023 8:00 a.m.**

Attendance:	Present	Excused	Absent
Ted Cushing	X		
Mike Timmons	X		
Bob Almekinder		X	
Mike Roach	X		
Billy Fried	X		

Also Present: Alex Hegeman/Highway Commissioner, Lisa Jolin/Solid Waste Director, Dan Gleason/Highway and Connor Showalter/Rhineland (Wards 3, 4, 7 and 9)

Chairman Ted Cushing called the Public Works and Solid Waste Committee meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. noting the meeting was ADA accessible and posted according to Wisconsin open meetings laws.

1. Approve agenda

Motion by Fried/Timmons to approve amended the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

2. Approve the minutes of the Public Works & Solid Waste Committee meeting held May 18, 2023

Motion by Timmons/Fried to approve the minutes of May 18, 2023 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

3. Public Comments

4. Future Meeting Dates:

- June 15, 2023
- June 29, 2023

SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT

5. General Business Discussion/Act:

A. Solid Waste vendor vouchers

Motion by Timmons/Roach to approve the Solid Waste vouchers as presented. Motion carried.

**6. Solid Waste Report /Discussion
General Operations Update**

Jolin reported the scale equipment and operator would be moved to the new office building once the electrician was available to move the equipment noting the move as a whole was in process. The comingled trash compactor would hopefully be completed the following week. The PVC roof installation was completed and some compost rows have been laid out noting there was an upcoming order for 250 yards.

7. Future Agenda Items

- Paving specifications

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

8. General Business Discussion/Act

A. Highway Department vendor vouchers

Motion by Fried/Roach to approve the Highway Department vouchers as presented.
Motion carried.

B. Out of Town Travel: TDA Drive In in Madison for Commissioner, May 23, 2023

Motion by Timmons/Roach to approve the out of town travel to the TDA Drive In in Madison for Commissioner. Motion carried.

9. Discussion/Act on WisDOT DMA for USH 51 Bridge Work

Motion by Roach/Timmons to approve the WisDOT DMA for USH 51 Bridge Work. Motion carried.

10. Discussion/Act on Equipment Updates

Hegeman reported they were still working on tearing down trucks from winter noting once the yearend audit was complete he should have a better idea of the equipment funding for the next year.

11. Discussion/Act on Wolf River Culvert Project

Hegeman reported one bid was received for approximately \$625,000 noting the bid was about \$110,000 to \$115,000 more than anticipated. REL was reviewing the bid and will be brought back in two weeks.

12. Discussion/Act on Complaint Status Report

Hegeman reported the crew was busy filling potholes and beavers were trapped along CTH J. The damaged section of CTH N was moved up on the construction schedule so the crew will continue to patch only as it would be reconstructed the following year. Hegeman noted some of the damage to CTH J appeared to be a combination of the chip seal and the increased logging traffic as a result of the removal of seasonal weight limits.

13. Discussion/Act on Utility Permit and Policy

Hegeman reported he was in the process of reviewing existing permits and policies from other municipalities and planned on bringing one back noting there was no fee nor penalty.

14. Discussion/Act on Generator Design Report

Cushing commented although Almekinder could not be present for the current meeting, he had additional information regarding the generator project so he requested this topic to be brought back to the next meeting. Hegeman noted the estimated costs were in line with the amount budgeted.

15. Discussion/Act on Acceptance of 2022 Annual Report

Hegeman commented the Annual Report was more a collection of the worksheets that are provided to the DOT and not a representation of how the department performed over the year noting if there were questions committee members should contact Jeri Cooper. Hegeman reported the 2021 report was provided to the County Board. Roach commented there should be a comprehensive report as spending on roads was second only to the military and the expectation for the level of service has only increased.
Motion by Timmons/Roach to accept the 2022 Annual Report. Motion carried.

16. Discussion/Act on Resolution to Request State of Wisconsin to use a Portion of the 2023 Budgetary Surplus for the Maintenance, Repair and Replacement of County Trunk Highway System

Hegeman provided a general overview of how the LRIP funds were distributed. Showalter commented the resolution he wrote was similar to resolutions passed by other counties that called for the State to use a portion of the surplus on roads.

Motion by Timmons/Cushing to support the resolution offered by Supervisor Showalter.
Motion carried.

17. Commissioner's Report/Discussion

- Culvert replacements were completed for the CTH K project.
- A culvert under a town road was replaced for the Town of Crescent.
- Culvert replacement for the CTH D project would begin that day, however, the utilities have not been yet been marked.
- Pulverizing of CTH K would begin on 6/13 so the lift would begin on 6/12.
- The crew should complete the mill and fill on CTH H by the end of the following week, then moving to CTH J and CTH D following.
- The TDA Drive-In went well noting in addition to networking, he met with staff from Senator Felzcowski's office noting there may be an opportunity to use agricultural route funding for logging routes.
- Only one of the three additional positions approved the previous January had been filled noting following the previous winter, the budget would not allow for those positions to be filled at this time.
- The three trucks on order for next year would likely not arrive next year.

18. Future Agenda Items

- Equipment update
- Wolf River culvert project
- Complaint report
- Utility Permit and Policy
- Annual Report
- Generator Project

19. Public comments

None

20. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 9:03 a.m.

Committee Chairman

Committee Secretary