

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

**Oneida County Highway Office Conference Room
Thursday, October 20, 2022 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: Ben Rich/Patrol Superintendent, Lisa Jolin/Solid Waste Director, Dan Gleason/Highway, Jeri Cooper/Highway and Trevor Greene/Lakeland Times

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

1. Approve agenda

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

2. Approve the minutes of the Public Works & Solid Waste Committee meeting held October 6, 2022

Motion by Fried/Timmons to approve the minutes of the October 6, 2022 Public Works & Solid Waste Committee meeting as presented. Motion carried.

3. Public Comments

No public comment.

4. Future Meeting Dates:

- November 3, 2022
Fried and Roach requested to be excused from the November 3rd meeting.
- November 17, 2022
Cushing noted he would not be attending the November 17th meeting.

SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT

5. General Business Discussion/Act:

A. Solid Waste vendor vouchers

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

6. Discussion/Act on Notice of Award to Ace Equipment for Transfer Station Trash Compactor

Motion by Fried/Roach to approve the notice to proceed to Ace Equipment. Motion carried.

7. Discussion/Act on Funding timeline for Co-mingle Recycling Trash Compactor

Jolin reported the finance director was unavailable that day so she would postpone the agenda item until the next meeting.

8. Solid Waste Report /Discussion

• **Update on new office building**

Jolin reported the walls were poured and the crane to install the trusses would be on site the following Wednesday. Jolin anticipated having a completion timeline by the next meeting.

- **Brush Pile Grinding Update**
Foley's should be finished grinding by the end of the week.

9. Future Agenda Items

Funding timeline for Co-mingle Recycling Trash Compactor.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

10. General Business Discussion/Act

A. Highway Department vendor vouchers

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

11. Discussion/Act on equipment updates

Rich reported trucks were getting set up for winter.

12. Discussion/Act on patrol truck and attachment proposals

Rich reported proposals were received from four vendors for both tri axle and tandem axle chassis and two proposals for attachments. The recommendation was to purchase three Mack tandem chassis with attachments from Truck Equipment at a total cost of \$1,021,920 (pending surcharges) utilizing the \$1,000,000 loan from the General Fund and the 2023 equipment budget for the balance with an additional purchase of a broom from Casper's and a conveyor from Truck Equipment with funds from the 2022 equipment budget.

Motion by Fried/Timmons to approve the proposals from Kriete and attachments from Truck Equipment and Casper's as presented the current meeting. Motion carried.

13. Discussion/Act on brine building update

Rich reported Varitech was scheduled to be on site on 11/2 – 11/3 to finish set up and programming.

14. Discussion/Act on fuel system removal update

Rich reported they were working with Northwest Petroleum set a date to begin the excavation of the contaminated material.

15. Discussion/Act on staffing updates

Rich reported a mechanic was hired and started October 10th. An offer was made for the equipment operator position, however, the applicant declined as he received a better offer so the position remained open.

16. Discussion/Act on Emergency Bridge Aid request for reimbursement, Town of Stella, Cross County Road/Jenny Weber Creek

Cooper reported the request was about \$21,000 and there was approximately \$80,000 in the budget for emergency bridge aid.

17. Discussion/Act on Bridge Aid reimbursement, Town of Cassian, Rocky Run Road/Swan Creek

Cooper reported the request was less than initially estimated at approximately \$9,500 and was approved and budgeted for in 2021.

18. Discussion/Act on Bridge Aid reimbursement, Town of Cassian, Lakewood Road/Bear Creek

Cooper reported the request was estimated at approximately \$180,000 with \$90,000 budgeted for reimbursement. Actual cost including engineering was \$226,000 so the amount to be reimbursed was \$113,000 noting there were sufficient funds in the account. Cooper reported there was another approved request that would be brought to the next meeting resulting in a contingency balance of \$15,990 for emergencies. Cooper explained for emergency failures there was \$25,000 levied from the towns annually in addition to the budgeted requests and the County was the administrator of the funds. Fried questioned if the department was capable of doing any of the replacements. Rich commented the department was capable but some jobs require some rental of equipment. Timmons noted it was previously decided the County should not infringe upon private enterprise at the time since the counties could do it cheaper than the private sector. Roach questioned if the County should reconsider. Fried suggested bringing the idea back to a future meeting.

Motion by Timmons/Roach per items 16, 17 and 18 to sign and forward the bridge aid requests to County Board as consent agenda items. Motion carried.

19. Discussion/Act on approval of Westbrook Associated Engineers, Inc. CTH L design contract

Rich explained the contract was for the CTH L STP project. Gleason reported the contract was in the process of review with Corporation Counsel.

Motion by Cushing/Roach to approve the Westbrook Associated Engineering contract for the design of CTH L pending Corporation Counsel's approval.

Fried questioned the cost of the contract noting 90% of the reports were not applicable to this project. Cushing stated the engineering services were required by the State. Rich confirmed because the project was a STP they could not perform any of the work. Motion carried.

20. Commissioner's Report/Discussion

Rich reported the six days of salt sand production in Lassig pit was complete with two additional days of production planned for the Blue Lake pit.

Seven trucks were sent to Vilas County for five days to assist with hauling for their salt sand production.

21. Future Agenda Items

- Culvert replacement for townships

22. Public comments

No public comment.

23. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Committee Chairman

Committee Secretary