

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

**Oneida County Highway Office Conference Room
Tuesday, December 20, 2022 10:30 a.m.**

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

Also Present: Alex Hegeman/Highway Commissioner, Lisa Jolin/Solid Waste Director, Jason Rhodes/ITS Director via Zoom, Dan Gleason/Highway and Trevor Greene/The Lakeland Times

Vice Chairman Mike Timmons called the Public Works and Solid Waste Committee meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. noting the meeting was ADA accessible and posted according to Wisconsin open meeting laws.

1. Approve agenda

Motion by Almekinder/Fried to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

2. Approve the minutes of the Public Works & Solid Waste Committee meeting held December 1, 2022

Motion by Cushing/Fried to approve the minutes of the Public Works & Solid Waste Committee meeting held December 1, 2022. Motion carried.

3. Public Comments

No public comment.

4. Future Meeting Dates:

- January 12, 2023 and January 26, 2023

SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT

5. General Business Discussion/Act:

A. Solid Waste vendor vouchers

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

6. Discussion/Act on 2023 Blanket Purchase Orders

Jolin commented the 2023 blanket purchase orders were for the same vendors as 2022.
Motion by Cushing/Almekinder to approve the 2023 Blanket Purchase Orders as presented.
Motion carried.

7. Discussion/Act on Letters of Credit for Long-term Care and Closure of Demo 4

Jolin reported the letters of credit for long-term care and the closure of demo 4 were approved by the Administration Committee the previous Monday.

8. Discussion/Act on Internet Connection – Fiber versus DSL

Jolin reported the quote for fiber was \$1,300 monthly with an 84 month contract noting the current connection was meeting the department's needs.

Fried commented he was shocked by the decision to continue with a DSL connection so he reached out to the IT director to explore other options in an effort to broaden the abilities of the new technologies such as security cameras.

Rhodes noted the installation costs were built into the Spectrum quote of \$1,266 per month so he asked for better quotes which resulted in a quote of \$685/month for 7 years in addition to installation charges of \$29,000 to run fiber from CTH K to the building. Rhodes commented he was in contact with Art Hilgendorf, who was working with the broadband committee, in an effort to locate existing fiber and determine where to run new explaining they may be able to work out a deal with Bug Tussle to have fiber run at no cost. Rhodes expressed concern the cost of \$42,000 seemed high for 7 or 8 cameras that did not connect to the network so he wanted an itemized list of what was being provided. However, since the deal was previously agreed to he did not anticipate they could make changes so it would make sense to work with what is there now and revisit in the future. Rhodes commented ARPA funds might be available to help cover the \$29,000 installation costs since it would increase security and noted the cost to install coax was greater than the cost to install fiber. Cushing commented the cost was not affordable for the department and expressed concern the Bug Tussle plan may not come to fruition because of increased interest rates.

Rhodes commented the department had lost connectivity and access to the network several times in the past.

Timmons commented even with Spectrum, strength was becoming an issue as more and more users connect noting the current equipment would be compatible if they would switch in the future.

Jolin commented the department currently paid about \$141 for DSL and about \$189 for the phone line adding the first payment for the cameras and card readers was made and a second payment request was submitted.

Rhodes commented his concern with the vendor was the consistent cost increases over the initial quote noting he had the impression the salesman did not really know what he was selling with the techs questioning why they were sold incompatible items citing the lack of an itemized list.

Fried commented moving forward the importance of working with the IT department anytime that type of work was done noting he would like to see the itemized list.

9. Solid Waste Report /Discussion

- **Flare**

Jolin explained the flare burned off the methane gas. However, the landfill was not producing enough gas to create high enough temperatures to keep the flare running so a variable timer was installed which did not resolve the problem. Jolin reported the DNR was open to installing sparkle flares in the pipe that would ignite as enough gas developed in addition to utilizing passive venting, then review in a year. Jolin noted there would be an investment to setting up the installation of the solar sparkles with Sand Creek but the cost would be offset by electricity savings from the blower not running all of the time and the maintenance on the flare system. Jolin explained if they proved the theory they would submit change of operation to the DNR noting the other option would be to install a smaller flare system but at significant cost.

- **Demo 4 Monitoring Wells**

Jolin reported the DNR required an additional 3 wells to be installed as they were not satisfied the placement of the initial 3 wells and she would like to request permission to remove the first 3 wells so they were not paying to monitor 6 wells.

- **Office Building Update**

Jolin reported the building was enclosed and work on the interior walls had started with plans for the electrician and the security vendor to be on site the following day.

10. Future Agenda Items

- Office Building Update

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

11. General Business Discussion/Act

A. Highway Department vendor vouchers

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

12. Discussion/Act on 2023 equipment purchases

a. Air Compressor

Company	Make	Model	Price	Lead Time
Roland Machinery	Doosan	C185WDO	\$ 26,000.00	12-15 Weeks
Miller-Bradford	Sullair	185-DPQ-KUB-T4F	\$ 28,745.00	35 Weeks
SunB Belt	No Response			
Aring	No Response			

Hegeman recommended the Doosan based upon good recommendations.

Motion by Almekinder/Cushing to accept the Roland Machinery bid for \$26,000. Motion carried.

b. Wood Chipper

Brand	Model	Opening Size	HP	Fuel Type	Cost	Winch Option	Total
Morbark	1415	14x15	75	Gas	\$ 59,562.59	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 64,562.59
Morbark	1415	14x15	70	Diesel	\$ 68,674.70	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 73,674.70
Morbark	1612X	16x20.5	145	Gas	\$ 76,150.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 81,150.00
Morbark	1612X	16x20.5	140	Diesel	\$103,377.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$108,377.00
Vermeer	AX19	24x28.875	173	Diesel	\$131,858.26	Included	\$131,858.26
Vermeer	BC1500	15x20	130	Diesel	\$ 85,747.56	Included	\$ 85,747.56

Hegeman recommended the Vermeer model BC1500 based upon the anticipated longevity of the diesel engine.

Motion by Cushing/Almekinder to approve the purchase of the wood chipper. Hegeman confirmed these were the previously discussed equipment purchases. Motion carried.

c. Tractor/Mower/Reclaimer

Dealer	Tractor Make	Tractor Model	Tractor Price
Swiderski	New Holland	Workmaster 75	\$ 56,900.00
Riesterer & Schnell	John Deere	5065E	\$ 43,673.38
Riesterer & Schnell	John Deere	5075E	\$ 48,219.34
Riesterer & Schnell	John Deere	5090E	\$ 59,921.37
Riesterer & Schnell	John Deere	5100E	\$ 61,882.38
Dealer	Mower Make	Mower Model	Mower Price
Swiderski	New Holland	Duradisc 109M	\$ 16,000.00
Riesterer & Schnell	John Deere	R240 Disc	\$ 12,034.62
Dealer	Reclaimer Make	Reclaimer Model	Reclaimer Price
Riesterer & Schnell	Diamond	All American Disc	\$ 11,116.38

Hegeman recommended purchasing the reclaimer for the tractor so that it could be used in conjunction with the grader to improve the shoulders and make the process more efficient.

Motion by Timmons/Cushing to proceed with the Riesterer & Schnell for the 5075E and the proper attachments as per the quote. Motion carried.

d. Ice Breaker

Hegeman reported the ice breaker could be installed on the front of a patrol truck and used to remove hard pack from County highways and possibly town and city roads. Hegeman commented he did not have exact numbers but wanted to talk about the topic noting no one in Wisconsin was using these but the Minnesota DOT purchased 40 the previous year. Hegeman estimated the cost ranged from \$40,000 to \$45,000 noting the unit would need to be used for approximately 70 to 80 hours annually to make money.

e. Used Paver

Hegeman reported Fabick Cat was selling a 2015 Volvo paver with a new screed installed this summer for \$39,000 noting he based the price at \$45,000 to pay for transportation and training. Hegeman explained since the paver would be used for patching and wedging the rate would need be adjusted so it did not lose money but without having a significant impact on the cost of the project. Hegeman explained the paver would be used to help extend the life of County roads estimating using 800 tons of asphalt annually noting the department could not compete with the contractors doing mainline paving but rather culvert patches and short stretches to extend a roads life. Hegeman reported although it was a used paver they spoke with a technician from Aring Equipment who was familiar with the paver and confirmed it was a good machine. Motion by Cushing/Almekinder to buy the used paver as presented. Motion carried. Fried directed Hegeman to contact Mike Roach and inform him of the intended purchase.

13. Discussion/Act on outlying shop building evaluations

Hegeman reported over the last three or four years there have been some issues with the outside shops and it might be a good idea to look at the main components of shops since the shops are getting to the forty-year old mark. Hegeman commented he would reach out to Buildings & Grounds to find out if they were able to assist.

14. Discussion/Act on 2023 road construction specifications

Cushing commented he would like to postpone this item until Mike Roach was present.

15. Discussion/Act on fuel system update

Hegeman reported he was working with REI on the proposal for the drilling company to to obtain ground water samples noting the DNR was notified of the potential contamination.

16. Discussion/Act on WisDOT detour agreement

Hegeman the DOT was planning on reconstructing a portion of USH 8 and were requesting to use CTH P as the detour during construction noting the DOT would be scheduling public information meetings in either January or February.

Motion by Timmons/Fried upon the Commissioners approval, agree to allow the use of CTH P. Motion carried.

17. Commissioner's Report/Discussion

Hegeman reported the following:

- The new equipment operator should be starting on January 16th.

18. Future Agenda Items

- 2023 road construction specifications

19. Public comments

20. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Committee Chairman

Committee Secretary