

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
September 28, 2011

PRESENT:

Valerie Bertram
Edward Nabozny
Elizabeth Young
Patrick Grattan
John Musall

ABSENT:

Raymond Staats, notified
Bart Delaney, Jr., notified

ALSO PRESENT:

Gail DiCosmo, Clerk
Andrew Howard
Bernard Kelleher
David Robinson
Dena Knox
Jolene Race
Robin Andrews
David Ames
Jeffrey Braley
Kenneth Wilber
William Hughes, Jr.
Roy Brown

PRESS: 1

Supervisor Bertram called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM.

SOLID WASTE: J. Race

STATION REPORT – HANDOUT

PROJECTS:

Members of our staff worked with Greene County DPW/Solid Waste for almost 2 weeks to assist with debris removal in the town of Lexington, Windham, Jewitt and Ashland. In addition, we had support from County Highway personnel and the Towns of Ancram, Copake, Chatham, Livingston & Stockport. The crews picked up approximately 800 tons of waste curbside.

I would just like to thank our employees for all their hard work while Steve & I were out of the office.

Would like to extend the free metal collection at all the stations through the month of December.

Working on the 3rd Quarter report for NYSDEC for the transfer stations.

Accepting bids for the purchasing of roll off containers to replace containers that were purchased in the late 80's & early 90's. Roll off containers will be used for the roll off business & at the transfer stations. Bids will be back for the October meeting.

Still working on the RFP for the processing and marketing of our recyclable material. The 20 year contract is up April 2012.

FACILITIES: R. Pinto

The work schedule was distributed and reviewed.

CENTRAL SERVICES: D. Ames

Resolution Request: Authorization to award Meat/Meat Products Bid and Canned/Frozen Food bid to Ginsberg's Inc., Quandt's Food Service, Sysco Albany, LLC and Wohrle Foods Inc. for the period of November 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011, **motion by P. Grattan, seconded by J. Musall, carried. Refer to Finance.**

HIGHWAY: B. Kelleher

WORK SCHEDULE:

Patching roads.

Performing debris clean up and road repairs in Columbia and Greene Counties caused by tropical storm Irene.

Completed hot mix paving of 2.8 miles of County Route 7 in West Copake.

Completed paving County Route 7D in North Hillsdale with recycled blacktop from the Airport tie down project.

Mowing the County roadways, Landfills and Airport.

Sealing bridge decks

Roadside sign maintenance.

Equipment maintenance.

PERSONNEL UPDATE:

One man out on workmen's comp with job related injuries.

One Motor Equipment Operator and One Assistant General Foreman out on extended sick leave.

One Motor Equipment Operator I resigned.

NEW BUSINESS:

The department was asked at the beginning of the year to save \$50,000.00 by delaying the filling of the vacant positions of Road Foreman and Senior Motor Equipment Operator I. We kept these positions vacant and to date have saved in excess of \$90,000.00 by delaying the filling of these positions. With winter just around the corner we need to fill the vacant position of Road Foreman and any vacancies created there from as well as the recently vacated position of Motor Equipment Operator I in order to adequately staff the department for this winter's snow season. I would continue to hold the vacant position of Senior Motor Equipment Operator I open while I work with Civil Service and the Commissioner of Public Works on a departmental need.

Columbia County owns a dam in East Chatham on Mill Road. The sluice gate for the dam was removed decades ago, however a couple of times each year the sluice itself gets plugged up with debris usually during a heavy rain event. When this happens and the water goes over the dam it is impossible to clear the sluice until the water recedes which sometimes takes several weeks. The water held back by the dam floods the back yards of houses along Rt. 295 that border what used to be the East Chatham pond. When this occurs residents voice their displeasure to their town supervisor who in turn calls on me to get the sluice open. This dam is not only a nuisance but an unnecessary liability and needs to be removed or destroyed to the point where the sluice cannot become plugged with debris. **B. Kelleher was requested by the committee to get the cost to remove the dam & to talk to property owners.**

Resolution Requests:

To fill the vacant position of Motor Equipment Operator I at the 2011 Step I starting salary of \$30,515.00. This position is vacant due to resignation, **motion by J. Musall, seconded by P.**

Grattan, carried. Refer to Budget & Salary, if approved move to Finance.

To create and fill (6) Six Seasonal Laborer positions in the Highway Department at the 2011 Step I starting hourly rate of \$13.7336 per hour for the period November 15, 2011 thru April 1, 2012. These positions are needed to adequately staff the plow trucks for the 2011 / 2012 snow and ice season, **J. Musall, seconded by E. Nabozny, carried. Refer to Budget & Salary, if approved move to Finance.**

To award the bid for cutting edges for the period October 1, 2011 – September 30, 2012 to Chemung Supply Company of Elmira N.Y. who was the lowest responsible bidder at a cost of \$29,292.00., **motion by E. Young, seconded by P. Grattan, carried. Refer to Budget & Salary, if approved move to Finance.**

2 Request:

To purchase (1) One Used 2010 Toro Riding Lawn Mower with a 54” deck from Air Compressor Plus of Ghent N.Y. at a cost of \$2,100.00. This mower has 12 hours on it sells for \$2,800.00 new, and is needed to for use at our Copake Outpost. This purchase will be paid for out of the DM 5130-00-2.000 misc. equipment line which has a balance of \$6,627.06 in it, **motion by P. Grattan, seconded by E. Young, carried.**

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

LOCALLY FUNDED BRIDGE PROGRAM UPDATE

FUTURE CAPITAL BRIDGE PROJECT PLANNING; 2011 MAINTENANCE/REPAIR PLANNING; MULTI-BRIDGE/STEEL REPAIR DESIGNS/CONTRACT; BLOCH BRIDGE; UPPER FORGE BRIDGE

COUNTY AIRPORT UPDATES

R/W 21 END RSA IMPROVEMENTS/LAND ACQUISITION EA; SOUTH APRON RECONSTRUCTION – PHASE 1 & 2

Resolution Request – SUPPLEMENTAL CONSULTANT AGREEMENT #1 – CONST. ADMIN/INSPECTION FOR SOUTH APRON RECONSTRUCTION – PHASE 1, Resolution requested authorizing the Chairman of the Board to execute a supplemental consultant agreement #1 with C&S Engineers, Inc. of Syracuse, NY in the amount of \$12,646.00 for additional construction observation services on the Columbia County Airport South Apron Reconstruction-Phase 1 Project, additional owner-initiated and FAA-Approved construction work such as drainage enhancements and seal coating of new pavement were able to be added to this contract and funded 95% Federal, 2.5% NYS, 2.5% Local funding levels, it was necessary to add these additional construction observation services to the original C&S contract, **motion by P. Grattan, seconded by E. Nabozny , carried. Refer to Budget & Salary, if approved forward to Finance.**

Resolution Request – SUPPLEMENTAL CONSULTANT AGREEMENT #2 – ADDITIONAL CA/CI AND DESIGN – BLOCH BRIDGE, Resolution requested authorizing the Chairman of the Board to execute a supplemental consultant agreement #2 with C&S Engineers, Inc. of Syracuse, NY in the amount of \$67,569.00 for additional design services, construction inspection services and materials testing services on the Bloch Bridge Replacement Project-Dugway Rd. in Hillsdale, these additional construction inspection phase professional services are necessary due to NYSDEC and ACOE Environmental requirements that caused Columbia County to have to perform extensive re-design of the Bloch Bridge Foundations and Stream Channel Scour counter measures and additional construction administration/inspection work, **motion by E. Young, seconded by P. Grattan, carried. Refer to Budget & Salary, if approved forward to Finance.**

Resolution Request – PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT – MICHALUK BRIDGE PIER REPLACEMENT DESIGN – MAPLE LANE – COPAKE, Resolution requested authorizing the Chairman of the Board to execute a professional services agreement in the amount of \$55,700.00 with Ryan-

Biggs Assoc. PC of Clifton Park, NY for the design of a New Center Pier and Stream Bank Restoration at Michaluk Bridge carrying Maple Lane over Bash Bish Brook in the Town of Copake. Michaluk Bridge was closed to all traffic due to the heavy damage by Hurricane Irene, with it's existing center pier destroyed and the upstream corridor heavily eroded/damaged We anticipate FEMA and NYS Funding will cover the majority of the design costs for this project, motion by P. Grattan, seconded by E. Young, carried. Refer to Budget & Salary, if approved forward to Finance.

CONFERENCE: 17th ANNUAL NYS LOCAL BRIDGE CONFERENCE, October 25-27 in Syracuse NY, One (1) attending, at a total cost of \$400.00, E. Young, seconded by P. Grattan, carried.

CONFERENCE- LIMITING LEGAL LIABILITY FOR HIGHWAY OFFICIALS, November 3, 2011 in Greenport, NY, Two(2) attending, at a total cost \$80.00, motion by P. Grattan, seconded by E. Nabozny, carried.

BUILDINGS: D. Robinson

Columbia County Courthouse :

Awaiting final approval from OCA for the 90% engineering drawings.

We remain optimistic that we will be able to bid this work in the fourth quarter of 2011.

Columbia County Communications / EOC Center:

Meeting was held with Brunswick Electric on 8/23/11 to review the status of smoke/fire damper replacement. All the dampers with the exception of the dampers leading to the day rooms / *holding cells have been replaced. These dampers cannot be accessed from the day room sides* due to secure tamper proof construction incorporated in the original design. It is believed that many of the dampers installed by the original sub contractor, VBI, may meet the intent of the building code and can be accepted. Brunswick Electric will field inspect and inventory the ±78 dampers in question after which time an assessment will be made as to whether the dampers meet the building code and can be accepted. We may solicit an opinion from the State Commission on Corrections prior to accepting these dampers.

No response was received from the certified letter sent to DMI, the manufacturer of the roofing material, regarding their lack of action on the warrantee claim submitted by the County earlier this year. This matter is being handed to the County Attorney's office for their action.

Pine Haven:

Continuing to work with the project architect FFAE to complete the CON submission.

The tower plans were before the Town of Claverack Zoning Board of Appeals for a public hearing at the August meeting of the Claverack Zoning Board of Appeals. No public comment was offered.

Further review will transpire at the regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday September 28, 2011.

Commerce Park:

The Department is continuing with the Comprehensive Corrective Plan at the wastewater treatment plant with the goal of implementing all of the process and corrective measures in 2011. A new intermittent sand filter will be needed to address the deficiencies of the existing tertiary filter. We plan to design and permit the filter in 2011 and construct the filter in 2012.

Awaiting approval from the FAA for the location selected for a new water storage tank to service the commerce park.

Execution of an Order on Consent for tardy submission of an annual certification form for the wastewater treatment performance in the amount of \$250. Attached to this letter is a copy of the completed form together with a cover letter transmitting the form.

Resolution Request:

Authorization for the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to execute an Order on Consent with the NYSDEC in the amount of \$250.00 for tardy submission of an annual flow certification form, **motion by E. Nabozny, seconded by J. Musall, carried. Refer to Finance.**

With no further business, a motion to adjourn at 6:40 PM by E. Nabozny, seconded by J. Musall, motion carried.

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