

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
APRIL 1, 2015**

**** NOT APPROVED ****

Committee Members Present: D. Fanton, P. Curran, K. Graves, T. Hopkins, C. Crandall
(Absent: A. McGraw, D. Decker)

Others Present: M. Alger, H. Budinger, S. Burt, D. Healy, C. Jessup, K. LaForge, R. Hollis, C. Knapp, Y. Marks, J. Nelson, T. Palmiter, D. Pullen, B. Riehle, D. Root, C. Santora, D. Scholes, N. Ungermann

Media Present: No media present

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Public Works Committee Chairman Dwight Fanton.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Legislator Graves, seconded by Legislator Curran, and carried to approve the Public Works Committee minutes of March 4, 2015.

Highway

Request Permission to Award “Materials” Bid

Deputy Superintendent of Public Works Dean Scholes (who was filling in for Superintendent Guy James who is on vacation) requested permission to award the 2015 road building materials bids to the lowest responsible bidders per the documents he distributed. Mr. Scholes said DPW had received 80 bids! Mr. Scholes said he and Mr. James wanted to thank and acknowledge Yvonne Marks, DPW Fiscal Manager, and Lea Dorrett, Secretary to the Superintendent for their assistance. Ms. Marks in particular spends many hours reviewing all of the bid submissions and producing the final bid tabulation and award documents. Mr. Scholes explained that every year a wide variety of road building material is publicly advertised online for bids. The bidding process not only benefits the County, but also Allegany County towns and villages as well. Separate from the bid award documents that will be distributed for towns and villages to use, Mr. Scholes requested permission to award to Dolomite the 2015 County road paving bid, and to award to Suit-Kote the 2015 surface treatment bid. Approval was granted on a motion by Legislator Graves, seconded by Legislator Curran, and carried.

Buildings & Grounds

Mr. Scholes said he had little to report in this area. However, he said that he hoped the wireless connection between the County Office Building and the Employment & Training Center would be completed by the end of the week. Additionally, he said he hoped that the old Museum would be razed no later than April 18.

Solid Waste

Modification to Recycled Paper Agreement with Swarthout Recycling

Mr. Scholes requested a modification to the recycled paper agreement with Swarthout Recycling. He noted that Swarthout Recycling, which had been the sole bidder in this area for the past several years, can no longer pick up the County’s recyclable paper and drive it to Horseheads due to a lack of equipment and manpower. For now, Mr. Scholes said the County could deliver the paper to Horseheads, NY, probably two or three loads per week. This would cut the revenues by about 50 percent, he said. Tim Palmiter, DPW Recycling Coordinator, will

continue to seek other ways to handle the recycled paper. The Committee approved this new plan on a motion by Legislator Curran, seconded by Legislator Graves, and carried.

Request: Trout Unlimited Waive Disposal Fees for Greenway Clean-up

Mr. Scholes told the Committee that Trout Unlimited wished to perform clean-up along part of the Greenway Trail in Black Creek. He explained that the organization had done similar clean-ups in other areas. To this end, Trout Unlimited would like DPW to provide a container and to waive the disposal fees of any waste picked up during that event. Mr. Scholes said the Committee has approved similar requests by Trout Unlimited in the past. He added that they don't expect to find much in the way of recyclables, white goods, or tires. Thus, Mr. Scholes requested permission to waive the disposal fees for the Greenway Trail Clean-up by Trout Unlimited. This request was approved on a motion by Legislator Graves, seconded by Legislator Curran, and carried.

New Business

Economic Development/Industrial Development Agency Development Team Coordinator Jack Wood had called DPW, requesting help in repairing the parking lot at the Crossroads Complex. There is, he said, material on-site that can be used. Additionally, it was noted that they could contribute \$500 toward any additional materials if needed. Mr. Scholes added that the Crossroads is not County-owned property, so DPW really doesn't have the authority to go there and effect changes, but with the approval of the Committee, DPW can assist. The request was approved on a motion by Legislator Graves, seconded by Legislator Curran, and carried.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1:48 p.m. following a motion by Legislator Graves, seconded by Legislator Hopkins, and carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Cynthia Santora, Secretary to the Clerk of the Board
Allegany County Board of Legislators