

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

**March 2, 2016**

**NOT APPROVED**

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

**Others Present:** H. Budinger, S. Burt, K. George, S. Grusendorf, D. Healy, R. Hollis, G. James,  
C. Jessup, C. Knapp, K. LaForge, J. Margeson, T. Miner, K. Monroe, B. Riehle, D.  
Scholes, R. Scott, R. Whitney

**Media Present:** B. Clark, *Olean Times Herald*, B. Quinn, *Wellsville Daily Reporter*

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 1:02 p.m. by Public Works Committee Vice  
Chairman Aaron McGraw.

**Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Legislator Graves, seconded by Legislator Curran, and carried to  
approve the Public Works Committee minutes of February 4, 2016.

**Highway**

**Request Resolution to Renew Widener Agreement with Municipalities**

Superintendent Guy James requested a resolution extending Resolution 37-11, the  
shared ownership portion of the widener with participating towns for a term of five years through  
March 31, 2021. The participating towns include:

Town of Almond	Town of Caneadea
Town of Amity	Town of Cuba
Town of Andover	Town of Hume
Town of Angelica	Town of Scio
Town of Belfast	Town of Wellsville

Mr. James stated the original 2011 Agreement terminated on February 28, 2016. He  
said the new agreement will be the original agreement with a one-page update for the towns to  
sign. Mr. James noted the payments have been received, and this extension will be only for the  
shared use of the widener. Legislator Curran asked if different towns can lease or rent the  
equipment. Mr. James stated that a provision is in the agreement that a non-participating town  
would have to pay a fee to rent it. The request was approved on a motion by Legislator Graves,  
seconded by Legislator Curran, and carried. **Prepare Resolution**

**Request Permission to Hire Summer Help**

Superintendent Guy James requested permission to fill 19 Seasonal Laborers (Non-  
union, \$9.25/hour) positions for a total amount of \$98,420. These positions are part-time and  
temporary. Seasonal employees are critical and a vital part of the Department's operation.  
These employees are County residents that are either college bound or are already college  
students. They provide "extra hands" to supplement their decreasing full-time work force. They  
routinely perform the menial tasks, allowing their full-time employees to perform other duties.  
The 2016 Summer Help Budget is as follows:

14 weeks x 40 hours x \$9.25 = \$5,180

		<b>Employee(s)</b>	<b>Budget</b>
A1620	Building and Grounds	3	\$15,540
A3152	Jail Buildings and Grounds	1	\$ 5,180
D5110	County Road	10	\$51,800
DM5130	Road Machinery	1	\$ 5,180
A8160	Solid Waste	2	\$10,360
D5020	Engineering	<u>2</u>	<u>\$10,360</u>
	Total:	19	\$98,420

Legislator Hopkins asked how they recruit the summer employees. Mr. James stated they usually hire County residents who are in college, going to college in the fall, or enlisted in the military awaiting entry. Legislator Hopkins asked if there are more applicants than positions. Mr. James said typically yes, but sometimes no. Deputy Superintendent Dean Scholes noted they give previous summer employees an opportunity to return. Legislator Hopkins commented it is great experience to build a resume. Mr. Scholes said it helps, and he has given references. Legislator Hopkins asked if they use BOCES graduates. Mr. James said they have hired BOCES graduates as summer help, and they have worked into full-time employees with the Department. The request was approved on a motion by Legislator Curran, seconded by Legislator Graves, and carried. **Refer to Ways & Means**

#### **Request Permission to Auction Surplus Items**

Mr. James requested permission to auction surplus items. These items are from Public Works and other County departments. Legislator Curran asked if they are posted online. Mr. James said some are, and some are not. Sometimes, they bundle items together. Legislator Graves asked if they were small items. Mr. Scholes said it can be anything including vehicles. The request was approved on a motion by Legislator Graves, seconded by Legislator Curran, and carried.

#### **Request Amendment to Resolution 16-16**

The Public Works Department requested a resolution to correct the error on Resolution 16-16. Item two should be \$392,000 as stated on the original memorandum of explanation. The request was approved on a motion by Legislator Curran, seconded by Legislator Graves, and carried. **Prepare Resolution**

#### **Solid Waste**

##### **Request Permission to Purchase Solid Waste Tractor**

Deputy Superintendent Dean Scholes requested permission to purchase a 2017 Kenworth T800 Tractor in the amount of \$129,794.74 from Kenworth Northeast Group. He noted this price is a piggyback off from an Onondaga County Bid pricing agreement. Mr. Scholes stated \$200,000 was budgeted to purchase a tractor and new trailer. He said the tractor and trailer will be about \$8,000 under budget. The request was approved on a motion by Legislator Graves, seconded by Legislator Curran, and carried.

##### **Approve Award Recommendation: Solid Waste Roll-Off Trailer**

Mr. Scholes requested permission to award the solid waste roll-off trailer in the amount of \$61,904 from Cyncon Equipment Inc. The request was approved on a motion by Legislator Graves, seconded by Legislator Curran, and carried.

**Approve Award Recommendation: Solid Waste RFP**

Superintendent Guy James stated they had three bidders: Casella Waste Disposal, Steuben County Department of Public Works, and Waste Management. Mr. James reviewed the bids with the Committee. Mr. James requested permission to award the contract to all three bidders. He distributed and reviewed the solid waste direction explaining his recommendation. He noted by awarding the contract to all three bidders, they would be able to select the best option for each hauling scenario. It also allows them to lock-in rates for the next four-years. Municipal partners will also be able to select what is the best option for them because they can “piggyback” off from the prices. Mr. James stated they have developed a mileage chart from the different transfer stations to the different sites. Mr. James noted the operating schedule of transfer stations may be modified and changed based on volume and usage. He added it is a work in progress, and they will continue to evaluate the situation as they go along.

Legislator Hopkins thanked Mr. James and Mr. Scholes for doing a great job anticipating the different scenarios. Legislator Graves stated it shows they have done their homework. Deputy Superintendent Dean Scholes noted Landfill Supervisor Kurtis George had input, and shared it with his staff. They are on board, and Mr. Scholes gives Mr. George and his staff a lot of credit. They have already made some necessary changes to make it work.

Legislator Hopkins asked how soon the landfill will close. Mr. James said it is filling quickly, and they think it will close by June 1, 2016. Mr. James said the County will have to go through a public hearing process to approve the amended flow control law and modifications. Mr. Scholes noted they are ready to go to other locations once everything is finalized. He noted most residents won't see any difference when they bring their garbage to the stations. Mr. James noted their brochure *Trash Talk*, has been mailed to Allegany County residents. The front page explains the changes, and they are trying to keep people informed. Legislator Healy stated he received his in the mail today. The request was approved on a motion by Legislator Graves, seconded by Legislator Curran, and carried. **Refer to Ways & Means**

**New Business**

Interim County Administrator John Margeson distributed the vehicle and equipment requests that were distributed last fall. Six vehicles were approved at \$151,250, and they are in the 2016 Budget. Mr. Margeson stated he had a conversation with Sheriff Rick Whitney. The Sheriff asked to hold off on purchasing the sedan, and would like to purchase an 11-passenger van. They have a greater need for a van than a sedan. The van will replace the van they use for local transports. Legislator Graves asked what will happen to the present van. It will go to the Department of Public Works for auction. Sheriff Whitney said the price for a van is \$29,500, but the total cost will be \$36,750 because that will include the aftermarket equipment. Legislator Graves asked if the extra money will come out of Contingency. Mr. Margeson said he will work with County Treasurer Terri Ross to find the extra funds. Mr. Margeson stated he will also work with other departments to find the best prices for all of the vehicles.

Legislator Graves asked about the pick-up truck requested by the Sheriff's Office. Sheriff Whitney stated it will mainly be used to haul boats and jet skis for the marine patrol. The Working Inmate and Radio Programs can also use the truck. Depending on the State Budget, a percentage of the cost will be reimbursed by the Parks and Recreation Office because the main function of the truck is marine patrol. Sheriff Whitney noted currently they are using private vehicles to haul the boats. Sheriff Whitney said the SUV's can haul the boats, but the boats are really too big, and put a lot of wear and tear on the vehicle. The request to purchase an 11-passenger van instead of a sedan was approved on a motion by Legislator Graves, seconded by Legislator Curran, and carried. **Refer to Ways & Means**

**Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1:34 p.m. following a motion by Legislator Graves, seconded by Legislator Hopkins, and carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rebecca Scott, Secretary to the Clerk of the Board  
Allegany County Board of Legislators