

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
APRIL 6, 2016
NOT APPROVED

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

Others Present: N. Ungermann, T. Ross, K. George, D. Healy, D. Scholes, G. James, H. Budinger, C. Jessup, B. Riehle, J. Margeson, R. Hollis, S. Burt, T. Miner, K. LaForge

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Public Works Committee Chairman Dwight Fanton.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Legislator Graves, seconded by Legislator McGraw, and carried to approve the Public Works Committee minutes of March 2, 2016.

Highway

Request Permission to Award Material Bids

Superintendent Guy James requested permission to award the 2016 Material Bids to the lowest responsible bidders per the documents that were distributed previously to the Legislators. Legislator Graves questioned if the prices were comparable to last year. Mr. James stated they were comparable, there was nothing earth shattering. Mr. James wanted to thank and acknowledge Yvonne Marks, DPW Fiscal Manager and Lea Dorrett, Secretary to the Superintendent, for their hard work with this bid process. Approval was granted on a motion by Legislator Graves, seconded by Legislator McGraw, and carried.

Chairman Fanton questioned if it was necessary for each Legislator to have a printed copy of both packets. He stated it was a lot of paper. Legislator Graves replied that he felt there was no reason for the Legislators to have printed copies of the packets to make a decision. Mr. James stated the department prepared both packets and distributed them on the request of a Legislator and that the documents are always available electronically. A motion was made by Legislator Graves, seconded by Legislator McGraw, and carried to only supply a printed copy of the bid tabulations and bid award upon request.

Request Permission to Renew Vegetation Control Contract

Superintendent Guy James requested permission to renew the Vegetation Control contract with DeAngelo Brothers, Inc. for the price of \$9,274.46 with the same terms and conditions as last year. The request was approved on a motion by Legislator McGraw, seconded by Legislator Graves, and carried.

Request Permission to purchase Bridge Construction Crew Trailer

Superintendent Guy James stated this trailer houses all the tools and supplies for bridge projects in one half of the trailer and serves as a break room in the other half. The trailer is pulled onto each bridge project site. The old trailer frame failed during transport and after inspection it was determined it's not able to be repaired. The old trailer was purchased in 1998 and will be sent to auction. We received quotes for the purchase of a new trailer, and the lowest quote came from Payne's Trailers in Canisteo for \$14,272.45. Mr. James stated the department has the money in their budget. Approval was granted on a motion by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator McGraw, and carried.

Solid Waste**Civic Event Requests for Open Top Waste Containers**

Deputy Superintendent Scholes requested direction from the Committee on how they would like the department to handle requests for free open-top containers for civic events. Mr. Scholes stated the Cuba Dairy week normally generates 5-6 tons per year; however; some events generate as little as half a ton. The Allegany County Fair generates 13-15 tons per year. Legislator Graves stated he hated to see these events suffer just because the County Landfill is closing, as some of these events don't generate very much revenue. Mr. James listed off the following events the County has provided containers for in the past:

1. Andover Maple Festival
2. Fillmore Festival
3. Dairy Week- Cuba Fire Department
4. Cuba Fire Department Tractor Pull
5. Town Highway Superintendent's Clambake
6. Bolivar Pioneer Days
7. Andover 4th of July Celebration
8. Allegany County Fair
9. Wellsville Balloon Rally
10. Legislators' Clam Bake
11. Angelica Heritage Days
12. Rushford Labor Day
13. Cuba Garlic Festival
14. Caneadea Fall Festival

Mr. James continued to explain that this will not break the Public Works Department budget; he is just looking for clarification on how to answer these requests going forward. Legislator Hopkins stated she would like to see it continue as a service by the County for the local festivals. She requested D.P.W. track the expenses and when the Legislators go into the budget process for the next year, the fiscal impact to

the County can be assessed. A motion was made by Legislator Hopkins to continue with the policy as we have been, seconded by Legislator Graves, and carried.

Waste Management:

Mr. Scholes stated he received an email on April 4 from Michael DeClerck of Waste Management stating that after further consideration they have decided to opt-out entering into a contract with Allegany County for solid waste disposal. Mr. James stated this may affect our Northwest towns.

New Business

Mr. James informed the Committee that in March, he went to Albany to lobby for increased funding from CHIPS (Consolidated Highway Improvement Program). Mr. James wanted to thank Assemblyman Joe Giglio and Senator Cathy Young for their efforts in this process. Mr. James stated that while the CHIPS base rate stayed the same, there is a program that is going to be coming called "Pave NY," and it looks like we should gain almost half a million dollars. The program will channel an additional \$100 million a year across the state for local municipalities over the next four years, and will be distributed through the CHIPS formula so the towns and villages should also see an increase. There is also a "Bridge NY" program that is supposed to result in an additional \$100 million over the next four years but there is a solicitation process. There are no details yet for the bridge program.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1:25 p.m. following a motion by Legislator Graves, seconded by Legislator McGraw, and carried.

Respectfully submitted:
Lea Dorrett, Secretary to the Superintendent
Allegany County Department of Public Works