

MEETING OF THE ONEIDA COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS/SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE

DATE: JUNE 22, 2017

Members Present: Robb Jensen, Mike Timmons, Sonny Paszak, Scott Holewinski, Ted Cushing

Also In Attendance: Bruce Stefonek/Commissioner, Lisa Jolin/Solid Waste, Dan Gleason/Highway, Jeri Cooper/Highway, Mike Romportl/Land Information, Brian Desmond/Corporation Counsel

Public Present: Nick Sabato/Media, Scott Tromp, Gene Dallman, Gary Dominski, Paul Hagen, Earl Morey, Margo Morey

The following matters were taken up to wit:

Jensen called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. It was noted the meeting was properly posted and the media notified.

1. **Motion:** Cushing/Paszak to approve the agenda. All aye; motion passed.
2. **Motion:** Timmons/Cushing to approve the Public Works Committee minutes from June 8, 2017. All aye; motion passed.
3. Chairperson's announcements:
 - Jensen stated there was a complaint about the speed of the ATV's on Fire Tower Road over Memorial Day weekend noting this was also voiced to the town of Crescent Board. Jensen recommended the person contact and work with the ATV club.
4. **Motion:** Jensen/Cushing to approve the Solid Waste vendor vouchers. All aye; motion passed.
5. Stefonek reported the Lead Person position was an interim position created during the transition and requested the item be tabled until they seek input from both Lisa Charbarneau and committee members.
Motion: Cushing/Holewinski to table the Solid Waste Lead Person job description. All aye; motion passed.
6. Solid Waste Report/Discussion:
 - Jolin stated as previously reported the sort line had broken down noting the problem was caused by garbage falling off and jamming the line. The problem was addressed and fixed but then broke again, however, staff has diagnosed the problem and replaced the worn parts of the conveyer.
 - Regarding Glass Plus, Jolin reported Brian Desmond drafted a letter requesting the equipment be removed from the landfill by May 1st but noted nothing had been done. Jolin, Stefonek, Desmond and Arnot met and now have a verbal agreement that the equipment will be removed by August 31st. Desmond will draft the contract and research ownership of the glass. Jolin reported they are exploring any and all means to dispose of the glass owned by Solid Waste.
 - Jolin updated the committee on the Sharps Program noting she had contacted all of the pharmacies and will get on the quarterly pickup beginning on July 1. Jolin noted the approximate annual cost of \$2,000 adding she planned on contacting Linda Conlon and Dianne Jacobson to work together to streamline the process.
7. A. **Motion:** Cushing/Timmons to approve the Highway Department vouchers as presented. All aye; motion passed.

B. **Motion:** Paszak/Timmons to approve Ted Lundt and Ben Rich to attend the Wisconsin Counties Highway Association 2017 Annual Road School for Superintendents in Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin. All aye; motion passed.

8. Stefonek reported traffic count, speed limit and road design for County Highways C, W, G, and P noting the town sent back a favorable response. The Pine Lake Town Board recommended starting at River Road to Highway 17 on County W and not at the city limits. Stefonek noted his concern the traffic count was very high and the road had very narrow shoulders with hills and corners. Discussion of the traffic laws pertaining to ATV's/UTV's.

Motion: Cushing/Holewinski to approve the town's recommendation for opening Highway W for ATV/UTV usage. All ayes; motion passed.

Stefonek reported the Pine Lake Town Board approved upon the condition County C was open from North Faust Lake Road to Limber Lost Road noting his concern regarding the high traffic count and speed limit.

Motion: Timmons/Holewinski to follow the Pine Lake Town request for Highway C for ATV/UTV usage. The committee noted the concern regarding the 55 mph speed limit. All aye; motion passed.

9. Stefonek reported the request was to open Highway G from Zimmer Road to Lassig Road for ATV/UTV use noting everything to the south was open for use and the Pelican Town Board had no objections.

Motion: Holewinski/Jensen to approve ATV/UTV usage on County Highway G as presented. All ayes; motion passed.

Stefonek presented 3 options for opening Highway P to ATV/UTV usage. Discussion of the what was approved by the town.

Motion: Cushing/Timmons to approve ATV/UTV usage on County Highway P per the town's minutes from East Lake George to Faust Lake Road as presented. All ayes; motion passed.

10. Romportl stated a title search was completed and reported the results to the committee concerning the right of way on County K near the Fireside Supper Club. Discussion of Oneida County's and the United States' ownership interest. Romportl noted the easement was granted in 1972 with the Morey's taking over ownership of the Fireside in 1989, with a non-transferable easement from the 1990's for access and parking. Romportl stated they received a request from the Morey's expressing interest in at minimum, continuing the easement making transferable and an interest in purchasing the property. Discussion of the options regarding the right-of-way and the USA's interest. Desmond informed the committee Tom Wiensch would be handling any issues with the Fireside noting his acquaintance with the owners.

Motion: Jensen/Holewinski to recommend Oneida County pursue a transferable easement for the area identified on the map. All aye; motion passed.

Motion: Holewinski/Jensen to work with the USA to obtain title of the land in question along Highway K. All aye; motion passed.

Romportl stated there was a third option to execute at least a lease across the USA lands since the county has right-of-way.

Motion: Holewinski/Paszak to pursue the option of working with the DOT to execute a transferable lease or easement. All aye; motion passed.

11. Stefonek reported the DOT indicated they would like the County to allow employees to work the entire day when working on a state road after reaching 40 hours as long as the DOT is paying mobilization to and from. Discussion of the county's policy regarding overtime for state versus county roads and the highway's policy regarding overtime and the start day of the work week. Jensen directed Stefonek to gather information and report at the next committee meeting.

Motion: Paszak/Holewinski to approve letting the Highway Commissioner use his judgement. Jensen directed Stefonek to look at the current policy and bring back with recommended changes including fiscal impact. All ayes; motion passed.

12. Stefonek reported the current cost of gravel was \$4.99-\$5.65/ton noting the town does not charge the Highway Department for hauling on the road in return the County sells gravel at cost plus a small fee for reclamation. Stefonek added the county did crush gravel for the town at cost. Cooper added Lassig Road was redone in the past and the county contributed to that cost. Discussion of the rate the County should be charging for all towns in the county. Jensen directed Stefonek to come back with a reasonable price that should be charged for every town in the county. Stefonek noted the gravel was tested and it met specifications.
13. Stefonek reported the pit is running out of gravel. Test holes were dug that revealed one vein up to 14' deep that is the only area with quality gravel with the exception of one area that would need to be chased and would require the extraction of sand. Holewinski recommended stockpiling the sand using the by-product for sand salt. Stefonek estimated 2 to 3 crushings were left and noted right now it was cheaper to purchase by-product.
14. Commissioner's Report/Discussion:
 - Stefonek reported he did not attend the approved out of county travel in Wisconsin Rapids for Epoxy Pavement Marking noting he had the minutes and no highway commissioners present, only DOT personnel.
 - Crushing Scheidiggers Pit and gradation test was done and MSA measured the piles.
 - About 75% of the gravel was hauled for County Q and they were pulverizing and adding lifts but needed to stop to begin chip sealing on County J. Stefonek reported pulverizing and lifts should be done the following week and then move on to paving.
 - Chip sealing on County J was a 2-day project beginning today and should be completed Monday.
15. Future meeting dates:
 - July 13, 2017
 - July 27, 2017
 - August 10, 2017
 - August 24, 2017
16. Future agenda items:
17. Public Comment
18. **Motion:** Cushing/Jensen to adjourn at 9:33 a.m. All ayes.



Committee Chairperson



Committee Secretary