

**JOINT ONEIDA COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS/PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT/LABOR
RELATIONS & EMPLOYEE SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

**Oneida County Highway Office Conference Room
Thursday, November 4, 2021 8:00 a.m.**

Attendance:	Present	Excused	Absent
Ted Cushing	X		
Scott Holewinski	X		
Mike Timmons	X		
Sonny Paszak	X		
Bob Almekinder	X		

Also Present: Alex Hegeman/Highway, Dan Gleason/Highway and Ted Foley/Foley's Tree Service.

Committee Chair Ted Cushing called the Public Works Committee meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. noting the meeting was properly posted and ADA accessible.

1. Approve agenda

Motion by Paszak/Almekinder to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried.

2. Approve the minutes of the Public Works Committee meeting held October 21, 2021.

Motion by Almekinder/Paszak to approve the minutes of the Public Works Committee meeting held October 21, 2021. Motion carried.

3. Public Comments

No public comment.

SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT

4. General Business Discussion/Act

A. Solid Waste vendor vouchers

No action taken.

5. Discussion/Act on ARPA fund request for new office building

No action taken.

6. Solid Waste Report/Discussion

None.

7. Future Agenda Items

- Demo site setback requirements, Demo 5 screening barrier, funding for future building and hiring a building designer for the Solid Waste office.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

8. General Business Discussion/Act

A. Highway Department vendor vouchers

Motion by Holewinski/Cushing to approve the Highway Department vendor vouchers.
Motion carried.

9. Discussion/Act on blanket permit to transport a non-divisible load exceeding statutory size and/or weight on Oneida County truck highways for Foley's Tree Service

Foley stated his business was in the process of acquiring a crane that utilized counter weights and was researching the permitting requirements of the State, towns, cities and county. Ideally they would run with a 20,000 pound counterweight at a combined weight of approximately 108,000 pounds. Hegeman reported according to the state statutes there was an exception for agricultural equipment. Holewinski commented there were likely many not applying for permits noting he frequently used a crane service but was unaware of the requirement. Foley noted at that time Lincoln County was requiring a permit for each trip. Timmons suggested simply reporting each trip to the department in the event there was any damage. Holewinski commented the permitting process was too complex noting he thought no one was abiding by the current process and were going to run the roads regardless. Motion by Holewinski/Paszak directing the commissioner to work on a permit that will include, instead of a single trip, a yearly permit that will be easy on contractors with no fee and simple reporting process. Motion carried.

10. Discussion/Act on Wisconsin Department of Transportation Memorandum of Understanding for 2 brine storage tanks

Hegeman reported the MOU for 2 additional storage tanks for a total of 4 tanks for the new brine building. Hegeman stated the contract would be forwarded to corporation counsel for review. Holewinski questioned if the contract would need to be signed by the County Board Chair.

Motion by Timmons/Paszak approving the commissioner to forward the contract to corporation counsel and have signed by the proper people. Motion carried.

11. Discussion/Act on brine building construction update

Hegeman reported the contractor will be submitting for an extension which was anticipated. Motion by Timmons/Almekinder to extend the contract for the brine building construction date as needed because of delays in materials. Motion carried

12. Discussion/Act on fuel system installation update

Hegeman reported the tank was in the ground, passed state inspection with the electrical inspection planned for later that day. The conduit would be run to the building and the concrete pad should be poured that afternoon. The current system would then be shut down the following Monday noting trucks would be fueled between the outside shops and gas stations until the new system was operational. Any remaining fuel would then be transferred into the new tanks and the old tanks could then be put out for bid for sale and removal, however, the cleaning and removal were subject to inspection. Holewinski noted the existing fuel building could be remodeled once the tanks were removed. Hegeman noted there were additional, unanticipated costs that he would be bringing back to the committee.

13. Commissioner Report/Discussion

Hegeman reported in addition to the fuel system, they have been working on a mill and fill project on USH 51 south of the Minocqua Bridge and getting the trucks ready for winter.

14. Future Meeting Dates:

- November 18, 2021
- December 2 and 16, 2021
- January 6 and 20, 2022

15. Future Agenda Items

- Winter road school
- Gravel pit development
- 2021 chip seal cost and evaluation of chip seal operation
- Multiple trip overweight permit

16. Public comments

No public present

17. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 a.m.

Committee Chairman

Committee Secretary