

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

April 6, 2022

Members Present: D. Fanton, G. Barnes, P. Curran, A. Cyr, D. Healy, J. Rumfelt, P. Stockin
(Absent: K. Demick)

Others Present: D. Bigelow, B. Budinger, J. Burdick, A. Carrow, G. Hanchett, B. Harris, J. Henry, C. Knapp, T. Linn, J. Ricci, J. Ricketts-Swales, B. Riehle, D. Root, T. Ross, D. Scholes, T. Shaw

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

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Legislator Rumfelt, seconded by Legislator Barnes, and carried to approve the minutes of March 2, 2022.

A motion was made by Legislator Curran, seconded by Legislator Healy, and carried to approve the minutes of March 18, 2022.

HIGHWAY

Overview of Planned 2022 Construction Projects

Public Works Superintendent Justin Henry distributed a color coded map of the planned 2022 construction projects. Mr. Henry stated that the projects are tentative, and are contingent on the amount of the Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Program (CHIPS) award that they will receive for the year, but it is looking promising that they will be able to complete all of their planned projects. Mr. Henry listed each of the planned projects as follows:

- Town of Ward, Local Bridge #2503
- Town of Hume, Local Bridge
- Town of Angelica, County Culvert
- Town of Birdsall, County Bridge
- Town of Belfast, County Culvert
- Approximately 27 miles of Overlay: (CR-5, CR-5A, CR-5C, CR-8, CR-13, CR-13A, CR-13B, CR-14)
- Mill and Fill (CR-28)
- Approximately 18.5 miles of Cold and Place Recycling: (CR-5, CR-13C, CR-15)
- Cold and Place Recycling followed by Oil and Stone: (CR-7B, CR-43)
- Approximately 20 miles of Oil and Stone, or Chip Seal: (CR-11, CR-2B, CR-19)
- Approximately 32 miles of the Crack Seal program that began two years ago

Request Permission to Hire Summer Help

Mr. Henry requested permission to hire seasonal employees for the summer. Seasonal employees are critical and play a vital part of the Department's operation. Seasonal employees are County Residents that are either college bound, or current college students looking for summer employment, and provide literally "extra hands" to supplement our decreasing full time work force. The 2022 Minimum Wage is \$13.20. Legislator Healy asked Mr. Henry to explain how hiring seasonal employees helps to free up our regular work force during peak time. Mr. Henry explained that having the ability to hire seasonal employees on a temporary basis over the years has been beneficial to the Department of Public Works. The Department has a substantial increase in the amount of work during

the summer season, and these employees are capable of providing help with many of the tasks that require minimal skills. Mr. Henry explained that this helps them fill that demand without hiring full time County employees. Mr. Henry stated that this also benefits the community because this opportunity is given to Allegany County residents. Legislator Healy summarized that hiring seasonal employees benefits the County, Taxpayers, Residents, and Students.

2022 SUMMER HELP BUDGETED AS FOLLOWS

14 X 40 HOURS X RATE PER HOUR		\$7,392
Maximum 14 weeks worked		
	# Employed	BUDGET
A1620		
BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS	1	\$6,468
D5110		
COUNTY ROAD	14	\$103,488
A8160		
SOLID WASTE	2	\$14,784
D5020		
ENGINEERING	2	\$14,784
TOTAL OF 19 SEASONAL	19	\$139,524

The request was approved on a motion made by Legislator Barnes, seconded by Legislator Healy, and carried. **Refer to Ways and Means**

Request to Fill Heavy Equipment Mechanic and any backfills

Mr. Henry requested permission to fill one full time Heavy Equipment Mechanic (AFSCME Bargaining Unit, Grade:14) and any resulting backfills in the Department of Public Works. This position is responsible for the maintenance and repair of heavy equipment and vehicles. The annual salary of this position is estimated to be between \$39,673.09 and \$48,398.06, with benefits estimated to be between \$17,313.34 and \$21,120.91. This position is funded with 100 percent County funds and is included in the 2022 Budget. Legislator Healy asked if this request included any additional positions. Mr. Henry replied that it is an existing position they are filling due to a retirement. County Administrator Carissa Knapp asked Mr. Henry to clarify that the request included to backfill as needed. Mr. Henry replied that it was the intent to backfill any positions as a result of filling the position from within the department. The request was approved on a motion made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Curran, and carried. **Refer to Ways and Means**

Request Permission to Award 2022 Material and In-Place Bids

The Department of Public Works requested permission to award their annual 2022 Material and In-Place Bids. Mr. Henry explained that this year they prepared three separate bids which ended up having a positive result. Mr. Henry stated that the attachments he provided contained the results of those bids. Legislator Barnes asked if the 690 edge line miles referred to both sides of the road. Mr. Henry replied that yes, it is the white line. Legislator Barnes asked to confirm that this meant 345 edge line miles for each side of the road. Mr. Henry replied that yes, that is the county mileage. Legislator Barnes asked what equipment would be used. Mr. Henry stated that they will use equipment to clean the road surface, traffic safety devices and equipment, and a paint truck. The request was approved on a motion made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Curran, and carried.

Request Capital Project Account for CR 26 BR 08-07 BIN 3330740

The Department of Public Works requested a resolution to create and budget a new capital project account, H5980.200 Belfast, CR 26 BR 08-07 BIN 3330740, and to approve a Federal Aid Local Project Agreement with the New York State Department of Transportation for the County Route 26 Bridge Replacement Project, BIN 3330740, PIN 6755.56, D040494, located in the Town and Village of Belfast, for the term of April 1, 2022, through December 31, 2027, and to authorize the Chairman of the Board of Legislators to execute the Federal Aid Local Project Agreement. This resolution will fund 20 percent of the non-federal share of the cost of the Design Work and Right of Way Incidentals.

The local share will be appropriated from General Fund Contingency A 1990.429.

BUDGET TRANSFER REQUEST:

FROM:	Contingency	A 1990.429	(\$271,000)
TO:	Interfund Transfer to H	A 9560.904	\$271,000
FROM:	Interfund Transfer to H	A 9560.904	(\$271,000)
TO:	Interfund Transfer from A	H 5980.5031.00 *	\$271,000

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUEST:

EXPENSE/APPROPRIATION:

H5980.200*	Belfast, CR 26 BR 08-07 BIN 3330740	\$1,355,000
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REVENUE:

H5980.4097.00*	Federal Aid – 80%	\$1,084,000
H5980.5031.00*	County Share – 20%	\$271,000

FISCAL IMPACT: \$271,000 from Contingency for 1st phase of bridge project.

Committee Chairman Fanton explained that this is the bridge that we were fortunate enough to receive the \$8.6 million from the State for a complete replacement of the CR 26 bridge. Legislator Healy asked if this project has been moved to the top of our priority list. Mr. Henry explained that this request is setting up the capital account for the project, the next request is approving to enter into a State and Local agreement with the NYSDOT. Mr. Henry stated that once we have the State and Local agreement in place then they will be able to start the design process. County Treasurer Terri Ross explained that this request is to create and budget a portion of the project, and also to approve the Federal and Local project agreement, and it includes authorization for the Chairman of the Board to execute the project agreement. County Administrator Carissa Knapp stated that while this is a top priority project, it is important to understand that it will not be completed for quite some time, due to the time required to do the engineering, design the project, bid it, and construct it. Mr. Henry stated that the tentative timeline begins at the end of 2023 and ends by 2024. Legislator Healy stated that he hopes it will be a better bridge than the last one. Mr. Henry stated that the schedule will be quite aggressive, and a two year change around is actually very quick. Legislator Healy stated that the bridge closure was a topic of discussion at the recent Fire Advisory Board meeting, and asked if the closure to all traffic also included foot traffic. Mr. Henry replied, “yes.” Committee Chairman Fanton stated that he had spoken with the engineer that morning and was told there has been more movement of the bridge since the closure. Ms. Knapp stated that the County will not approve any kind of traffic to include foot traffic. The request was approved on a motion made by Legislator Cyr, seconded by Legislator Curran, and carried. **Refer to Ways and Means**

Request Budget Adjustment for Soil Borings for Belfast BR 08-07

The Department of Public Works requested a budget adjustment for funds to cover the cost of soil borings for bridge 08-07 on CR 26 in Belfast that were done prior to the State and Local Agreement with NYS Department of Transportation for bridge replacement. These costs will be a County cost; and therefore, the project needs this additional funding allocated.

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BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUEST:

EXPENSE/APPROPRIATION:

H5980.200* Belfast, CR 26 BR 08-07 BIN 3330740 \$ 18,000

REVENUE:

H5980.5031.00* County Share – 100% \$ 18,000

FISCAL IMPACT: \$18,000 from Contingency to cover this local cost for the project.

The request was approved on a motion made by Legislator Rumpfelt, seconded by Legislator Cyr, and carried. **Refer to Ways and Means**

Resolution to Approve the Department of Public Works' Friendship Shop Project

The Department of Public Works requested a resolution approving the Department of Public Works' Friendship Shop Project and authorizing the project to go out to bid. A motion was made by Legislator Curran, seconded by Legislator Barnes to approve the request; however, the motion was defeated with the following Legislators voting No: Legislator Ricci commented on the fire pump that was discussed at that morning's Committee of the Whole meeting, and stated that he hoped the Health Department and Engineer knew that this was not an option with the way the pipes are in the ground. Legislator Ricci stated that he would like to see it bid with what is necessary to bring the piping up, plus a real number for the phone system. Mr. Henry stated that there was a flow test, and typically when you don't meet the flow test, there is an option to put in a fire pump which boosts the pressure so the fire suppression system can be utilized to the full extent. Mr. Henry explained that the County is using that pump as a reference to compare the cost with upgrading the pipe coming off of the main trunk for the Friendship Water Department. Committee Chairman Fanton suggested that these items could be discussed in more detail at a later time. Legislator Ricci explained that he didn't want this going out to bid before they understood all of the costs associated with the pipe, fire pump, and phone system. County Administrator Knapp stated that during the Committee of the Whole meeting, she understood that the Board unanimously approved moving forward with the project, but that she did hear a lot of questions about things to look into including the bids, and she thinks the Department of Public Works Committee needs to either approve the request to move forward for a resolution, or table it for next month so that Mr. Henry could respond to some of the questions that have been raised. Legislator Healy asked if this could be moved ahead for now and then clean it up later for a resolution, and then go to Ways and Means Committee. Ms. Knapp stated that they are not certain that it needs to go to Ways and Means Committee because it is just going out for bid. Legislator Healy asked if there was time to clean it up. County Attorney Allison Carrow stated that there is a narrow window of time to make changes with the bid specifications, and unless Mr. Henry is asking for funding, it will not go to Ways and Means Committee. Legislator Healy asked if it is their recommendation that they table it. Ms. Knapp stated that she was recommending that they table it, not out of lack of support for the project, but to have more time to get more information and allow Mr. Henry to respond to it. Mr. Henry asked what the mechanism for getting the questions and concerns for the bid to DPW. Committee Chairman Fanton asked Clerk of the Board Brenda Rigby Riehle to schedule a special Committee of the Whole at 10:00 a.m. on April 13, 2022. Ms. Knapp asked to direct all questions to her and Mr. Henry so they can work together to be able to respond appropriately. A motion to table the request was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Curran, and carried.

Request for Authorization of Funds for the Friendship Shop Project

The Department of Public Works requested a referral to Ways and Means Committee for the authorization of funds for the Department of Public Works' Friendship Shop Project. This budget adjustment and transfer is requested to fund the estimated cost for construction. The project has been approved/to be approved by the Board for the purpose of bidding. Legislator Burdick stated that she felt they should know the funding requirements prior to an MOE asking for funding. Ms. Knapp stated that they have several different mechanisms to fund projects depending on the project size. Ms. Knapp explained that they really didn't know how much funding Mr. Henry would require until the last couple of days, which may change again depending on the questions and concerns raised. Ms. Knapp stated that she is fairly confident that we have funding available from one method or another that she and County Treasurer Terri Ross can lay out once they know the exact amount needed. Ms. Ross stated that the three options that they plan to offer are: ARP, Cash on Hand, and going to the market. Ms. Knapp guessed that in past years, funds were limited and you may have been concerned whether you could find the funds before you could make a decision with funding projects, but we are fortunately in a better position this year to look at the size of the project first, and then see what our choices will be. The request was approved on a motion made by Legislator Cyr, seconded by Legislator Rumpfelt, and carried. **Refer to Ways and Means**

SOLID WASTE

Request to Award Recycling Containers Bid

The Department of Public Works requested authorization to award the following recycling containers bid:

**Department of Public Works
 Bid Opening
 30 Yard Roll-off Recycling Containers
 March 9, 2022@ 10:00 a.m.**

Bidder	FOB Price	FOB Price	FOB Price	FOB Price	FOB Price	Delivery Time	Deviations
	QTY 1	QTY2	QTY3	QTY4	QTY5		
Rudco	10,577	19,354	29,931	38,708	48,985	10-12 weeks	yes-see below
Thompson Fabricating	10,400	19,750	30,150	39,500	49,900*	12 weeks	yes-see below
Wastequip	11,996	22,458	34,454	44,916	56,912	4-6 weeks ARO	yes-see below

*DPW recommends the award to Thompson Fabricating for five (5) containers because low bidder (Rudco) cannot provide the type of plastic lids we require for operations.

Deviations

	Rudco		Thompson Fabricating		Wastequip	
	Our Spec	Deviation	Our Spec	Deviation	Our Spec	Deviation
Sides	12ga	11ga				
Front	12ga	11ga				
Floor	10ga	3/16" (7ga)			10ga	7ga
Roof	12ga	11ga	12ga	10ga		
Top Rail	7ga	11ga				
Understructure Long Sill	6"x2"x1/4"	6"x2"x3/16"				
Side Posts	3 1/8"x 5 1/2"	3"x5" Columns				
	36" Centers	24" Centers	36" Centers	30" Centers	36" Centers	24" Centers
Lids	Hinged	Sliding				
Hook Plate	3/4"	1"				
Front Wheels					8 5/8" x 6"	8"x8"
Rear Wheels					8 5/8" x 8"	8"x8"
Inside Height					72"	66"

The request was approved on a motion made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Curran, and carried.

Request to Award Recycling Commodities Bid

The Department of Public Works requested authorization to award the following recycling commodities bid:

**Department of Public Works
 Bid Opening
 Recycling Commodities Bid Proposals
 March 9, 2022 @ 10:00 a.m.**

Bidder	Plastic*	Loose News*	Baled News*	Cardboard	Scrap Metal	Tin Cans	White Goods	L/A Batteries	Clothing	Colored Glass	Clear Glass	Used Tires
Westrock	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	10% Buff OCC (11) ¹	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid
Weitsman	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	65% Pitt #2 Bundles	65% Pitt #2 Bundles	65% Pitt #2 Bundles	\$475/GT	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid
Geiter Done	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	\$147.50/Ton
St. Pauly	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	\$80/Ton	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid
Recycall	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	\$12/ton	\$36/ton	No Bid

1. Bid pricing was intended to be Buff OCC (11) +10% or 110%. See attached email.
2. * Seeking clarification from sole bidders for plastic and paper (separately).

The request was approved on a motion made by Legislator Cyr, seconded by Legislator Rumpfelt, and carried.

Correction to Leachate Agreements

County Attorney Allison Carrow explained that the Board had approved the Leachate Agreements with the Town of Caneadea, the Town of Friendship, and the Village of Wellsville in February 2022. Ms. Carrow stated that the agreements had gone out for signature, but that insurance requirement language was accidentally omitted from the agreements. Ms. Carrow requested approval to make the corrections and to send the corrected agreements back out for signature. The request was approved on a motion made by Legislator Cyr, seconded by Legislator Healy, and carried.

Good of the Order

Legislator Root asked if the Friendship Shop Project could be funded with a fourth hybrid option, and wondered how the ARP monies would be affected if it was used to fund the project. Ms. Knapp stated that she and Ms. Ross will present a fourth hybrid option, and that they will be able to show the impact that each of those four choices will have on other projects.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1:36 p.m. following a motion made by Legislator Rumpfelt, seconded by Legislator Cyr, and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Tiffany Linn, Confidential Secretary
 Allegany County Board of Legislators