

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
September 7, 2022

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

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Committee Chairman Dwight Fanton.

Roll Call: D. Fanton, K. Demick, G. Barnes, P. Curran, A. Cyr, D. Healy, J. Rumfelt (Arrived at 1:09 a.m.), P. Stockin

Other Attendees: J. Burdick, A. Carrow, G. Hanchett, B. Harris, S. Havey, K. Hooker, C. Knapp, T. Linn, T. Peet, J. Ricci, J. Ricketts-Swales, B. Riehle, D. Root, T. Ross, D. Scholes, T. Shaw, T. Windus

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Legislator Curran, seconded by Legislator Healy, and carried to approve the minutes of August 3, 2022.

Highway

Local Bridge 20-17 on Higgins Creek Road in the Town of Hume

Department of Public Works Superintendent Thomas Windus stated that they are in the process of completing the installation of the guide rails on the bridge at Higgins Creek Road in the Town of Hume with plans to pave it early next week in anticipation of opening sometime that week.

Local Bridge 25-03 on Watson Road in the Town of Ward

Mr. Windus stated that the Local Bridge 25-03 at Watson Road in the Town of Ward is being pushed out a couple of weeks to facilitate work with other projects that need to be completed ahead of winter weather.

Legislator Healy asked Mr. Windus for the approximate traffic count for both bridges. Mr. Windus stated that he did not have that information available for the meeting but that he will get that information for him.

County Route 26 Bridge over the Genesee River

Mr. Windus stated that they are continuing to work with the Department of Transportation to provide all of the required information for the Federal Highway Administration to allow them to move forward with demolition before design. This will allocate funds out of the \$8.6 million grant to allow them to pay for the demolition of the bridge. Mr. Windus stated that he had a conversation with the consultant that morning who told him they are anticipating completion of the environmental study by this Friday to provide that information to the Federal Highway Administration. Mr. Windus stated that as soon as the Federal Highway Administration receives all of the required criteria from them, they will authorize them to move forward. Mr. Windus stated that they are maintaining their timeframe of sending it out for bid in October or November with demolition in December or January.

Pine Street Bridge in Alfred

Mr. Windus stated that they received construction phase authorization for the Pine Street Bridge in Alfred that morning, and it will go out to bid next month.

North Main Street Bridge in Andover

Mr. Windus stated that they are working toward scheduling the public hearing for the North Main Street Bridge in Andover.

Madison Street Bridge in Wellsville

Mr. Windus stated that they have been working on soil borings for the Madison Street Bridge in Wellsville, and the engineers have been working toward the rehabilitation option. Mr. Windus stated that they are maintaining the schedule with plans to go out to bid this winter with construction planned for next year.

Road Work

Mr. Windus stated that they paved the re-profiled area on County Route 48 in front of the Landfill the previous day. The area started to sink in some spots and the layer of asphalt will keep it in decent shape over the winter. Mr. Windus stated that the contractor anticipates paving County Route 5 and 5c in the Towns of Genesee and Clarksville beginning on September 19, 2022.

Solid Waste

Household Hazardous Waste Day

Mr. Windus stated that they are holding the 23rd annual Household Hazardous Waste Day on September 10 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Landfill. Mr. Windus stated that there is still time to pre-register and that registration is required. Information for this event can be found on the website.

Old Business

Friendship Shop Update

Mr. Windus stated that after hearing comments from several Legislators, he and Mr. Scholes had discussions with the County Administrator, the County Attorney, and other committee leaders from Public Works to decide if the Friendship Shop is the right location. Mr. Windus stated that they have put Hunt Engineering on hold for now except for the waterline design. Mr. Windus stated that if the Town of Friendship ever wanted to upgrade that waterline or if they move forward and decide to construct a building at that location, then they will have that information available.

Legislator Barnes asked why it is necessary to put everything on hold. Committee Chairman Fanton stated that they want to make sure to cover all of the bases. Legislator Barnes commented that after all of the work that has been done by Hunt, they are back to thinking about not building there and moving the site out of Friendship. Legislator Demick stated that the building layout and design will stay the same, but that it might be better served elsewhere and it doesn't hurt to look. County Administrator Knapp stated that no one ever examined the site, and part of what Hunt was hired to do was to examine the site. Ms. Knapp stated that the data from Hunt suggested that they should be looking at other potential sites and many other options. Legislator Barnes asked how far into the future they anticipate making a final decision. Mr. Windus stated that it is a good question, but they want to make sure that everybody involved is comfortable with the location they choose. Legislator Barnes asked if there are specific sites that they are looking at other than Friendship. Mr. Windus replied, "not at this point in time." Legislator Barnes commented that we are dragging our feet. Ms. Knapp pointed out that there is other available County land they would like to examine including the Friendship site and any other site that may be available. Ms. Knapp stated that they want to make the best use of this money when they finally build. Legislator Healy commented that it sounds like they are making sure to use due diligence to make the best investment possible for the taxpayers.

Junior Accountant

Mr. Windus stated that they hired a new Junior Accountant Garrett Thompson. They are thrilled to have him on board and believe he will be a huge asset once he gets up to speed. Mr. Windus stated that he appreciated the committee's support in creating the position.

Snow and Ice Agreements

Mr. Windus stated that this is being presented as a reminder that this committee has already approved the snow and ice contracts with the Towns, and that it will be up for final resolution at the next Board meeting. Mr. Windus explained that the MOE summarizes the Towns, their mileages, and what the rate will be.

The resolution authorizes agreements between the County of Allegany and various Towns in Allegany County for the removal of snow from County Roads, and for sanding or otherwise treating them for the purpose of removing the danger of snow and ice for the years 2023 through 2025 as follows:

March 2023, the County shall pay the Town a total sum of \$3,860 for each mile of Co. Road
March 2024, the County shall pay the Town a total sum of \$3,935 for each mile of Co. Road
March 2025, the County shall pay the Town a total sum of \$4,010 for each mile of Co. Road

	<u>Miles</u>		<u>Miles</u>
Alfred	0.00	Friendship	17.23
Allen	10.36	Genesee	7.46
Alma	17.74	Granger	10.56
Almond	17.59	Grove	13.91
Amity	9.17	Hume	11.94
Andover	13.99	Independence	11.80
Angelica	13.88	New Hudson	2.66
Belfast	13.57	Rushford	16.05
Birdsall	15.30	Scio	16.07
Bolivar	8.74	Ward	5.85
Burns	8.53	Wellsville	8.41
Caneadea	3.93	West Almond	24.19
Centerville	10.25	Willing	8.30
Clarksville	0.00	Wirt	21.08
Cuba	15.20		

Legislator Rumfelt stated that it appears that County Route 12 in Alfred is removed completely. Mr. Windus explained that it will remain the same as last year. Legislator Rumfelt stated that he thought he saw that Alfred was given some mileage in the paperwork they were given. Mr. Windus stated that Alfred does not plow and they did not receive any mileage. Legislator Healy confirmed that Alfred and Clarksville are at zero mileage. Mr. Windus stated that is correct.

New Business

Permission to Auction Surplus

Mr. Windus asked the committee for permission to auction any and all surplus vehicles, equipment, and materials through their usual online process. Committee Chairman Fanton asked to confirm that these items are no longer needed. Mr. Windus stated yes and that most of the vehicles will not pass inspection. The request was approved on a motion by Legislator Cyr, seconded by Legislator Rumfelt, and carried.

Resolution for Agreement with UDig NY

Mr. Windus asked for approval to enter into the member agreement with UDig NY so that they can call to have things located, but also because we have utilities underground as well. Legislator Healy asked if the agreement meets the approval of the County Administrator and County Attorney. County Attorney Carrow stated that she is finishing her review of the agreement but it will receive her approval before it goes to the full Board. The request was approved on a motion by Legislator Rumpfelt, seconded by Legislator Demick, and carried. **Prepare Resolution**

North Main Street Bridge, Andover- Resolution for Public Hearing

Mr. Windus requested a resolution setting the date of a public hearing for the North Main Street Bridge in the Town of Andover on October 4, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at the Andover Town Hall located at 22 East Greenwood Street in Andover, NY to outline the intended project, the proposed location, and to provide other pertinent information including maps and property descriptions of the property and adjacent parcels to be acquired. The request was approved on a motion made by Legislator Rumpfelt, seconded by Legislator Barnes, and carried. **Prepare Resolution**

Resolution to Transfer Funds to Purchase Computers

Mr. Windus requested a resolution to transfer funds within the County Road Fund to purchase computers for engineering as follows:

From:		
	D5020.465 Engineering Contracts	\$6,000
To:		
	D5020.201 Office Equipment	\$6,000

The request was approved on a motion by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Cyr, and carried. **Prepare Resolution**

Permission to Award Sand/Salt Hauling

Mr. Windus requested a resolution authorizing the attached Hauling Sand and Salt Mix Bid to the low bidder Leon Lacy, Inc. for the following Towns:

- Alma \$4.50/ ton
- Andover \$2.20/ ton
- Bolivar \$5.35/ ton
- Centerville \$5.80/ ton
- Genesee \$5.55/ ton
- Independence \$4.12/ ton
- Rushford \$4.40/ ton
- Wellsville \$3.35/ ton
- West Almond \$2.35/ ton
- Willing \$4.15/ ton
- Wirt \$5.20/ ton

The request was approved on a motion by Legislator Demick, seconded by Legislator Rumpfelt, and carried. **Prepare Resolution**

Retirement

Mr. Windus congratulated Sandra Dunham on her retirement at the end of September 2022 and thanked her for her years of service to Allegany County.

District Supervisors

Mr. Windus stated that with the creation of the new Assistant General Supervisor, the new District II Foreman will be Chad Claypool, the District III Foreman will be Jacob James, and the District IV Foreman will be Dan Ford.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1:18 p.m. following a motion by Legislator Rumfelt, seconded by Legislator Demick, and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Tiffany Linn, Confidential Secretary
Allegany County Board of Legislators