

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: PUBLIC WORKS

DATE: JUNE 25, 2019

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

SUPERVISORS SIMPSON
MERLINO
FRASIER
DICKINSON
DIAMOND
HYDE
WILD
HOGAN
GERAGHTY

OTHERS PRESENT:

KEVIN HAJOS, SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
RONALD CONOVER, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD
RYAN MOORE, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
MARY ELIZABETH KISSANE, COUNTY ATTORNEY
AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD
FRANK THOMAS, BUDGET OFFICER
SUPERVISORS LEGGETT
MCDEVITT
SOKOL
STROUGH

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

SUPERVISORS LOEB
MAGOWAN

TAMMIE DELORENZO, ASSISTANT TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
FRED AUSTIN, WARREN COUNTY RESIDENT
DON LEHMAN, *THE POST STAR*
THOM RANDALL, *ADIRONDACK JOURNAL*
SARAH MCLENITHAN, DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD

Please note, the following contains a summarization of the June 25, 2019 meeting of the Public Works Committee; the meeting in its entirety can be viewed on the Warren County website using the following link: <https://www.warrencountyny.gov/gov/comm/Archive/2019/works/>

Mr. Simpson called the meeting of the Public Works Committee to order at 11:34 a.m.

Copies of the DPW agenda were distributed to the Committee members and a copy of same is on file with the meeting minutes.

Motion was made by Mr. Dickinson, seconded by Mrs. Frasier and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the last Committee meeting, subject to correction by the Clerk of the Board.

Ms. Hyde and Ms. Hogan entered the meeting at 11:35 a.m.

Commencing the review of the *Kevin Hajos, Superintendent of Public Works*, presented the following requests:

Page 2 - Request for a new contract with the lowest responsible bidder for improvements to Warren County Floyd Bennett Memorial Airport Fueling Site pursuant to the terms and provisions of the specifications (WC 45-19) and proposal for a term commencing upon execution by both parties and terminating upon completion of the work.

Motion was made by Mrs. Frasier, seconded by Ms. Hogan and carried unanimously to approve the request and the necessary resolution was authorized for the July 19th Board meeting. *A copy of resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

Page 3 - Request for transfers of funds amongst various Budget Codes totaling \$3,124.85.

Motion was made by Mrs. Frasier, seconded by Mr. Geraghty and carried unanimously to approve the request and refer same to the Finance Committee. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

With regard to the Information for Discussion/Review section of the agenda, Mr. Hajos apprised that following the assessment of the condition of the Swede Fire Tire in the Town of Hague by the DPW staff, they determined the Tower was in good shape but would require about \$3,000 of work to secure it and

ensure safety including replacement of the planking. Mr. Simpson stated if the pleasure of the Committee was to move forward with the project, meetings would need to be set up with NYS DEC (*New York State Department of Environmental Conservation*) and Lyme Timber to discuss coming to an agreement pertaining to access to the Tower.

A discussion ensued following which it was the consensus of the Committee for Ryan Moore, *County Administrator*, and the County Attorney to move forward with scheduling a meeting with NYS DEC and Lyme Timber to discuss access to the Swede Fire Tower.

Continuing with the Agenda review, Mr. Hajos discussed the Household Hazardous Waste Day that took place in the Town of Queensbury on June 15th, apprising the event had seventy-five cars go through and he would report on what was collected as soon as that information was provided by the vendor. He announced the next collection event was scheduled for August 2nd in the Town of Warrensburg.

With regard to the contracts for snow and ice with the towns, Mr. Hajos stated currently they paid \$4,100 per lane mile to the towns who handled snow and ice removal on County Roads as compared to Washington County which paid \$4,500 and the NYS DOT (*New York State Department of Transportation*) paid \$5,100 per lane mile to the Town of Hague. He said he was awaiting feedback from a few of the towns before he could calculate a final figure; however, he noted, if the County were to handle the work in-house he would require an additional \$1.7 million in the DPW Budget to cover the labor costs. He said this figure did not account for the cost of additional equipment that would be required including trucks and facilities for salt storage, etc. He said he would return to Committee with a figure once he had all of the information he required from the towns.

In regards to the DPW overtime report, Chairman Conover commended Mr. Hajos for keeping the overtime at an appropriate level during the difficult winter season that had occurred.

There being no further business to come before the Public Works Committee, on motion made by Mr. Dickinson and seconded by Mrs. Frasier, Mr. Simpson adjourned the meeting at 11:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah McLenithan, Deputy Clerk of the Board