

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: PUBLIC WORKS

DATE: JULY 19, 2022

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

SUPERVISORS HOGAN
DICKINSON
THOMAS
BRUNO
MERLINO
STROUGH

OTHERS PRESENT:

DIANE COLLINS, ZERO WASTE WARREN COUNTY COMMITTEE
MARY BETH MYLOTT, ZERO WASTE WARREN COUNTY COMMITTEE
KEVIN HAJOS, SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
THOMAS SZABO, SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING COMPLIANCE OFFICER
KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD
RYAN MOORE, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD
ROBERT TERWILLIGER, FIRST ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY
SUPERVISORS BRAYMER (VIA ZOOM)
DRISCOLL (VIA ZOOM)
FRASIER
GERACI (VIA ZOOM)
LEGGETT
MAGOWAN
WILD
JULIE BUTLER, PURCHASING AGENT
TAMMIE DELORENZO, ASSISTANT TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
DON LEHMAN, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS
MICHAEL R. SWAN, COUNTY TREASURER
LESLIE LOVELACE, SECRETARY TO THE CLERK OF THE BOARD

COMMITTEE MEMBER ABSENT:

SUPERVISOR CONOVER

Please note, the following contains a summarization of the July 19, 2022 meeting of the Public Works Committee; the meeting in its entirety can be viewed on the Warren County website using the following link: <https://warrencountyny.gov/mma>

Note: Pursuant to New York State Legislation (S.50001/A.40001): “Notwithstanding the provisions of article 7 of the public officers law to the contrary, any state agency, department, corporation, office, authority, board, or commission, as well as any local public body, or public corporation as defined in section 66 of the general construction law, or political subdivisions as defined in section 100 of the general municipal law, or a committee or subcommittee or other similar body of such entity, shall be authorized to meet and take such action authorized by law without permitting in public in-person access to meetings and authorize such meetings to be held remotely by conference call or similar service, provided that the public has the ability to view or listen to such proceeding and that such meetings are recorded and later transcribed”. All of the Committee members in attendance were physically present.

In the absence of Committee Chair Conover, Mr. Dickinson called the meeting of the Public Works Committee to order at 9:52 a.m.

Motion was made by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Ms. Hogan and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Messrs. Conover, Merlino and Strough absent*) to approve the minutes of the last Committee meeting, subject to correction by the Clerk of the Board.

Copies of the Solid Waste & Recycling; Parks, Recreation & Railroad; and DPW and agendas were distributed to those in attendance, those participating remotely accessed the agenda via the Warren County website. *Copies of the agendas are on file with the meeting minutes.*

Mr. Strough entered the meeting at 9:54 a.m.; Mr. Bruno exited the meeting at 9:54 a.m.

Prior to the Committee commencing with the Solid Waste & Recycling agenda Mr. Dickinson extended privilege of the floor to Diane Collins, *Member of Zero Waste Warren County*, who read aloud an interim update for July. A copy of the update is on file with the minutes.

Mr. Bruno re-entered the meeting at 9:59 a.m.

Mr. Merlino entered the meeting at 10:07 a.m.; Ms. Hogan exited the meeting at 10:13 a.m.

A review of the discussion items commenced as follows:

1. Re-bidding for Hauling and Disposal - After discussion it was the consensus of the Committee to move forward with the bidding process to combine the bids for both hauling and disposal.
2. Household Hazardous Waste Days - To be held on August 13, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at the Queensbury Highway Garage on Bay Road in Queensbury; it was noted that next year two collection days would take place with the locations being Queensbury and Warrensburg.

Moving along with a review of the Parks, Recreation & Railroad agenda which included the following requests:

1. To amend the County Budget in the amount of \$160 to reflect receipt of donations from visitors of Up Yonda Farm.

Motion was made by Mr. Strough, seconded by Mr. Bruno and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mr. Conover and Ms. Hogan absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and refer same to the Finance Committee. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

2. To amend the County Budget in the amount of \$1,600 to reflect the receipt of a donation from Stewart's Shops.

Motion was made by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Mr. Strough and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mr. Conover and Ms. Hogan absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and refer same to the Finance Committee. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

Proceeding, the following Information for Discussion/Review items were discussed:

1. Donation of a bench from the Frye/Annis Family for the Warren County Fish Hatchery.
2. Up Yonda Environmental Education Administrator position.

Following, a review of the Referral/Pending Items section included:

1. In regard to the two parcels of land the Town of Johnsbury had expressed an interest acquiring, Superintendent of Public Works advised he was awaiting a response from the land surveyor who had performed mapping of the sub-division of the two parcels.

Moving along, Committee reviewed the Department of Public Works agenda, which included the following requests:

1. To amend the existing grant with NYSDOT in an amount not to exceed \$4,604,148 to add construction inspection services for the Olmstedville Road Reconstruction project.
2. To increase Capital Project No. H394, *Olmstedville Road Reconstruction, Town of Chester*, in the amount of \$4,604,148.
3. To amend the contract with McFarland Johnson, Inc., to include construction inspection services to the Olmstedville Road Reconstruction for a total amount not to exceed \$422,241 for a term commencing upon execution and terminating upon completion.

Motion was made by Mr. Strough, seconded by Mr. Merlino and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mr. Conover and Ms. Hogan absent*) to approve the requests as outlined above and the necessary resolutions were authorized for the August 19th Board meeting for Items 1 and 3; Item 2 was referred to the Finance Committee. *Copies of the resolution request forms are on file with the minutes.*

4. To fill the position of MEO(M) #1, *Grade #9, Base Annual Salary \$39,246*, due to promotion.

Motion was made by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Strough and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mr. Conover and Ms. Hogan absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and refer same to the Personnel, Administration & Higher Education Committee for reporting purposes. *A copy of the Notice of Intent to Fill Vacant Position form is on file with the minutes.*

5. To amend the County Budget in the amount of \$2.70 to increase Budget Code D.9950 910, *Interfund Transfers*, to account for local match for various capital projects.

Motion was made by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Mr. Strough and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mr. Conover and Ms. Hogan absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and refer same to the Finance Committee. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

6. To transfer funds amongst various road projects totaling \$118,601.88.

Motion was made by Mr. Strough, seconded by Thomas and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mr. Conover and Ms. Hogan absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and refer same to the Finance Committee. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

7. To appropriate funds in the amount of \$3,500,000 from Budget Code A.909.00, *Unappropriated Surplus*, to Budget Code A.9950 910, *Transfer-Capital Project*, to fund Capital Project H390, *County Bridge & Culvert Project*.

Discussion ensued with regard to the request and alternate possible funding sources. Ryan Moore, *County Administrator*, offered to bring the request to the July 21, 2022 ARPA Advisory Committee meeting to request funding.

Mr. Strough exited the meeting at 10:48 a.m.

8. To increase Capital Project H390, *County Bridge & Culvert Project, Various Towns*, in the amount of \$3,500,000.

This item was not addressed due to the pending funding request for Item 7.

Concluding the agenda review, Committee addressed the Discussion Items which included the following:

1) Update on Construction Projects.

There being no further business to come before the Public Works Committee, on motion made by Mr. Bruno and seconded by Mr. Thomas, Mr. Dickinson declared the meeting adjourned at 10:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Leslie Lovelace, Secretary to the Clerk of the Board