

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: PUBLIC WORKS

DATE: JANUARY 24, 2024

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

SUPERVISORS CONOVER
BRUNO
BEAN
MERLINO
STRAINER

OTHERS PRESENT:

KEVIN HAJOS, SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
DEAN MOORE, DIRECTOR, PARKS, RECREATION & RAILROAD
KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD
JOHN TAFLAN, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
LARRY ELMEN, COUNTY ATTORNEY
AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD
FRANK E. THOMAS, BUDGET OFFICER
SUPERVISORS ETU
MADAY
STROUGH
TURNER
WILD
TAMMIE DELORENZO, ASSISTANT TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
SARA FRANKENFELD, GIS ADMINISTRATOR
ETHAN GADDY, COUNTY PLANNER
LESLIE LOVELACE, SECRETARY TO THE CLERK OF THE BOARD

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

SUPERVISORS DICKINSON
MAGOWAN

Please note, the following contains a summarization of the January 24, 2024 meeting of the Public Works Committee; the meeting in its entirety can be viewed using the following links:

Warren County website - <https://warrencountyny.gov/mma>

Warren County's YouTube Channel - Part 1 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yFn923yRxE>

Part 2 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KyWjSbOZO-c>

Mr. Conover called the meeting of the Public Works Committee to order at 9:55 a.m.

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

Copies of the Parks, Recreation & Railroad and DPW agendas were distributed to those in attendance, copies of the agendas are on file with the meeting minutes.

The Committee commenced with a review of the Action Agenda/New Business Items portion of the Parks, Recreation and Railroad agenda which included the following requests:

1. To amend the County Budget in the amount of \$4,300 to reflect receipt of donations from the Pearsall Foundation and the Lewis Global Village Charitable Trust.

Motion was made by Mr. Strainer, seconded by Mr. Merlino and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Messrs. Dickinson, Bean and Magowan absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and refer same to the Finance & Budget Committee. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

2. To amend the County Budget in the amount of \$2,500 to reflect receipt of funds from the Town of Bolton Occupancy Tax.

Motion was made by Mr. Strainer, seconded by Mr. Bruno and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Messrs. Dickinson, Bean and Magowan absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and refer same to the Finance & Budget Committee. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

3. To accept donation of a reverse osmosis machine from Alex Vito.

Motion was made by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Mr. Strainer and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Messrs. Dickinson, Bean and Magowan absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the February 16th Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

A review of the Information for Discussion/Review portion of the agenda included the following items:

1. Spring Zing 2024 - To be held on May 11, 2024 9:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at Warren County Fish Hatchery.
2. Maple in April - Saratoga, Corinth & Hudson Railway to provide shuttle trains again for the Maple in April Festival.
3. Stocking Permit Changes had been made by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation.

Dean Moore, *Director, Parks, Recreation & Railroad*, addressed an additional item not included on the agenda:
- He expressed his appreciation to Amanda Beck, *GIS Specialist*, for a snowmobile application she had created in real time.

An executive session was requested; Larry Elmen, *County Attorney*, indicated the purpose of executive session was to discuss proposed, pending or current litigation pursuant to Section 105(1)(d) of the Public Officer's Law.

Mr. Bean entered the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

Motion was made by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Mr. Merlino and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Messrs. Dickinson and Magowan absent*) to enter into an executive session for the purpose outlined above.

Executive session was held from 10:01 a.m. until 10:23 a.m.

Upon reconvening, Mr. Conover noted no action had been taken during executive session.

Mr. Elmen apprised a motion was necessary to enter into a settlement agreement in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 with Water's Edge (Estate of David Waters; Joan Waters) for just compensation and land acquisition in relation to Town of Bolton Parcel No. 171-16-1-3, with the cost of such settlement agreement to be funded within the existing DPW budget.

Motion was made by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Mr. Merlino and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Messrs. Dickinson and Magowan absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the February 16th Board meeting.

There being no further Parks, Recreation and Railroad business to discuss, Committee commenced with a review of the Department of Public Works Action Agenda/New Business Items portion of the agenda which included the following request:

1. To amend the County Budget in the amount of \$7,717.88 to cover the increase in operation and maintenance costs for the Warren County Industrial Park Sewer Water.

Motion was made by Mr. Strainer, seconded by Mr. Merlino and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Messrs. Dickinson and Magowan absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and refer same to the Finance & Budget Committee. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

A review of the Discussion Items commenced with the following being addressed:

1. Sagamore Retaining Wall update.
2. Emergency Declaration Project update.
3. Bridge/Culvert Funding.
4. Local Match and Road Funding.
5. 2024 Construction Project updates.

There being no further business to come before the Public Works Committee, on motion made by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Mr. Strainer and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Messrs. Dickinson and Magowan absent*), Mr. Conover adjourned the meeting at 10:58 a.m.

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