

MINUTES

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Wednesday, February 8, 2023 9:00 a.m.

Present: Supervisors Chatfield, Kolczynski, Mettler, Brady and Eygnor, County Administrator Rick House, Fiscal Assistant Brian Sams, Weights and Measures Director Ted Dymont, Superintendent of Public Works Kevin Rooney, Deputy Superintendent of Public Works Scott Kolczynski and Wayne County Soil and Water Conservation District Director Lindsey Gerstenslager. Via conference call Supervisor Verno.

Minutes from the January 5th Committee meeting were approved as written.

The monthly Weights and Measures activities report was included with the agenda. During January Mr. Dymont visited 50 establishments, inspected over 400 devices and collected 11 gasoline and two diesel fuel samples. He noted a complaint received regarding a petroleum pump; the issue was resolved. Three fines were issued during the month to the same chain store for a total of \$900. Mr. Dymont reached out to the State Attorney General regarding the number of fines issued and the lack of corrective measures from the chain store. They have assigned a member of their staff to review the case. Mr. Verno questioned if fines issued are all consistent. Mr. Dymont said the State Ag. and Markets Law holds businesses to a 98% accuracy rate; however, the law allows for discretion when issuing fines.

The Annual Report for the Weights and Measures/Consumer Affairs Department was received and filed. A total of 454 establishments were visited during 2022. All eight complaints received by the Department were resolved in a timely manner. One hundred and five non-commercial devices were tested, vouchers were submitted to the State for the collection and screening of 139 petroleum samples for a revenue of \$5,609 and 13 penalties were issued in 2022 totaling \$7,700.

The following transmittals were presented for the Public Works Department:

--Authorization to accept bids for highway construction and maintenance materials. The bid summary booklet will be available to municipal highway departments. Mr. Rooney noted steel and petroleum based product prices have increased significantly. Approved 5-0.

--Authorization to declare four vehicles surplus and dispose of according to County policy. Approved 5-0.

--Authorization to create projects in the Highway Department for the 2023 construction season totaling \$2.8 million. Mr. Rooney noted the Governor's proposed 2023-24 budget came out with flat CHIPs funding for counties. Approved 5-0.

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--Authorization to amend the machinery budget to pay the unanticipated cost of a 10-wheeled truck. Mr. Rooney noted there were cost savings on some purchases made from the DM fund, he would like to have these funds made available to offset the cost of the truck. The transfer is for \$21,482 from the DM equipment reserve account. The original budget had the price quote from 2022, the cost of this truck increased greatly over the past few months. Approved 5-0.

--Authorization to accept the low bid for tree stump removal from Arnold Tree Service. Approved 5-0.

--Authorization for the Chairman of the Board to sign a three-year contract with Innovative Pest Management Corp for pest control services for a price not to exceed \$31,589. Approved 5-0.

--Authorization to amend the Court House Board Room Plaster Repair Project budget. There was more repair work needed than anticipated for the project. The project's \$50,000 contingency budget is nearly depleted. The request is for \$50,000 to be transferred from the building renovation line into this project line so project delays will not occur due to lack of funds. Scott Kolczynski said the project is moving along, work should be completed in the next two weeks. Approved 5-0.

A power point presentation showed what the EMS headquarters in Lyons would look like and the EMS base in Sodus. Headquarters will have a six-bay garage to allow for all vehicles and equipment to be housed. Floor plans for both buildings were reviewed. Headquarters will have a small conference room, if additional space for training is needed, the County's Fire Training Building can be utilized. There are also four offices and a small exercise room. The Sodus base will be constructed on approximately three acres of property on the corner of Routes 88 and 104. The deed for that property should be finalized in the next few weeks.

Mr. Mettler made a motion the Committee enter into executive session at 9:24 a.m. to discuss contractual issues with Mr. House, Mr. Sams, Mr. Rooney, Scott Kolczynski, Nursing Home Administrator Jeffrey Stalker and Nursing Home Deputy Comptroller Heather Loucks, Mr. Kolczynski second. The regular meeting resumed at 9:54 a.m.

The following transmittals were presented for the Soil and Water Conservation District:

--Authorization to appoint members to the Wayne County Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Directors. District Law requires re-appointment of all Officers annually. Approved 5-0.

--Authorization to support the contract between the County and Wayne County Soil and Water Conservation District for Blind Sodus Bay and Port Bay REDI Initiative Projects. The Blind Sodus Bay western bluff was funding for \$4 million through the REDI Project, Blind Sodus Bay eastern barrier bar for \$8.1 million and Port Bay for \$3.3 million. This action will allow for the Soil and Water District to voucher for payments through the County. Approved 5-0.

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Ms. Gerstenslager reviewed the proposed ranked list of project assets for future planning and funding initiative for Wayne County shorelines. Her Agency participated in a NYS Department to State planning activity initiative to identify local assets and priority needs for future planning efforts for lakefront properties. The list will be used by the State for future funding opportunities. Wayne County has 75 miles of shoreline. Ms. Gerstenslager noted approval for accepting this asset list will come before the Economic Development and Planning Committee later this morning.

A presentation was given by Ms. Gerstenslager regarding municipal recycling.

- The Next Steps for the County's Recycling Program: Tire and electronic recycling were completed in 2022 utilizing 34 person-hours for the two-day collection, and 82 clerical hours for registration. Over 26,000 pounds of electronic waste was collected. The next e-waste collection date is February 9th; this event is for County employees. A public e-waste collection event will be scheduled at the beginning of April; this can only be utilized by individual who pre-register. The District Office has a contract with the County for \$20,000 to perform one tire/e-waste collection a year. Community health problems resulting from wrongfully disposed of e-waste and tires were discussed.
- Establish a Localized Municipal Grant Application: Cost share grant information was given to all Committee members. Ms. Gerstenslager will send the State's website information to all Supervisors for potential funding of municipal recycling programs.
- Establish Two E-Waste Site Locations: This would be done in partnership with all municipalities in the County. Ms. Gerstenslager is having discussions with all Town Clerks on how recycling events are operated and collaboration for future collections. Galen is already looking into establishing a recycling program; another site is being sought on the western end of the County.
- District Recycling Assessment.
- Household Chemical Recycling Date: At this time, July 2023 is being looked at.

A discussion took place on the number of agricultural tires that are being improperly disposed of. Ms. Gerstenslager said there is a company in Buffalo that recycles tires; she is obtaining pricing for holding a tire-recycling event. Mr. Chatfield questioned if sites where disposed of tires and/or electronics have accumulated can be cleaned-up through a recycling program. Ms. Gerstenslager said she always tries to work with the former or current business whose property is involved. Supervisor Kolczynski stated electronic vendors have to take back their products for recycling. Mrs. Gerstenslager said this is true, although most do not advertise the service.

The Committee was informed the public relations specialist at the Soil and Water Conservation District Office has retired; candidates for the full-time position are being sought. The Ag Planner in the Office is leaving, that position will need to be filled in the next few months.

District staff toured Sunnking Recycling Facility in Brockport. This company focuses on reducing the amount of e-waste in landfills and promoting responsible reuse, repair and recycling of unwanted electronic equipment.

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The meeting adjourned at 10:26 a.m. The next meeting of the Public Works Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, March 8th at 9:00 a.m.