

MINUTES

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Wednesday, July 3, 2019 8:30 a.m.

Present: Supervisors Miller, Kolczynski, Spickerman, Baldrige, Verno, Jacobs, Chatfield and LeRoy, County Administrator Rick House, Weights and Measures Director Rich Molisani, Superintendent of Public Works Kevin Rooney and Deputy Superintendent Scott Kolczynski.

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

Mr. Molisani presented his monthly activities report. During June he inspected over 200 devices, collected 16 gasoline and 2 diesel fuel samples, visited 31 establishments and attended State Training School.

The monthly planner for Weights and Measurers showed Mr. Molisani will continue with device inspection, budget planning and petroleum testing in July.

The following transmittals were presented for the Public Works Committee:

--Authorization to dispose of surplus County equipment through auction. Approved 5-0.

--Authorization to declare a vehicle surplus and dispose of according to County policy. Approved 5-0.

--Authorization to sell a surplus 2006 Dodge pick-up truck to the Town of Arcadia for \$1,900. This vehicle was previously declared surplus by the County. Approved 5-0.

--Authorization to adopt a local law prohibiting illicit discharges, activities and connections to the Wayne County separate storm sewer system. This is an MS4 law that needs to be passed and will allow for the County to take legal action if individuals are found to be discharging materials into the County's storm water system. Approved 5-0.

Photos were shown of the Ontario Midland Railroad line that is being affected by an eroding embankment on a bend of the line in the Town of Arcadia. The County owns the right of way along the rail line. Mr. Rooney said Ontario Midland has been told they will be given a State grant in the amount of \$100,000 that could be used for repairs to the line; however, when those funds will be received is not known. A meeting on the issue has taken place with the Planning Department, OMID Railroad, Wayne County Soil and Water, Wayne County Department of Public Works and our local Assemblyman to review how this issue could be addressed. The problem is occurring because of a creek adjacent to the line; a solution needs to be put in place before next year's spring flooding, or more damage will occur. Mr. Rooney said he believes driving sheeting in the area would be the easiest solution to this problem and estimates the cost at \$200,000. He still needs to find out if sheeting can be physically put in place in this area; then DEC needs to approve the solution. It is not believed the State would allow for grant funding reimbursement for a project that was already completed. The economic impact the rail line has in the County was stated.

Committee members were updated on the status of the former County building located at 24 Church Street (adjacent to the Court House). Following last month's request to the Committee

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from the owner of the building, Richard Santelli, the area between the County's sidewalk and the building has been caulked and a County parking spot in the back of the building has been designated for egress into the building; this area will be striped next week. The request to have snow removal in front of the building was denied, as County crews only remove snow on County property. Mr. Miller said he would be sending a written response to Mr. Santelli regarding the County's action on his requests.

Supervisors were updated on the 16 William Street Building Renovation Project. The budgeted cost for the project is \$6.97 million; this number includes a contingency amount of \$573,676. At this time the project is ahead of schedule and within budget. It was agreed the Committee would tour the building following their August Committee meeting.

The Committee was reminded there will be a public hearing at the July Board Meeting regarding the sale of the ECCC building. The group that was interested in obtaining the building for a Veterans Museum has yet to obtain their not-for-profit status.

County Attorney Dan Connors came into the meeting with a transmittal requesting authorization for his Office to commence an action to compel a determination of claim to real property. This issue is in regard to County owned property located adjacent to the Canal. The State conveyed property adjacent to the Canal to the County in 1987. The property was to be surveyed to determine what section belongs to the County; however, the homeowner will not allow surveyors on the land. Mr. Connors stated the need to enforce the law to have this survey conducted. The homeowner has an attorney that has not responded to calls from the County. Approved 5-0.

The meeting adjourned at 9:01 a.m. The next meeting of the Public Works Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, August 6th at 8:30 a.m.