

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**  
**OBERACKER, MCCARTY, WILBER, FARWELL, LAPIN**  
**June 13, 2018**

Absent: Representative Wilber

Also Present: Board Chair Bliss

**OTHER –REPRESENTATIVE KOUTNIK**

Representative Koutnik discussed using County parking lots on the Saturday of Baseball Hall of Fame Induction Weekend to raise money for County programs. Representative Farwell moved for approval to allow the County to charge for parking in two of the County owned parking lots during the Saturday of Induction Weekend. Seconded, Lapin. Total: 2,247; Ayes: 1,760; Absent: 487-Wilber. Motion carried.

**OTHER –REPRESENTATIVE McCARTY**

Representative McCarty stated the contract between Auctions International and Onondaga County has expired, however Saratoga County has a current contract with Auctions International that the County could piggyback off of. Representative Farwell moved for approval to contract with Auctions International off Saratoga County's bid provided the County Attorney approves. Seconded, Oberacker. Total: 2,247; Ayes: 1,760; Absent: 487-Wilber. Motion carried.

Representative McCarty stated the list of surplus vehicles provided by the Department Heads will need to be reviewed to determine which vehicles run or not.

Representative Oberacker presented a request from Weights & Measures to declare the 2010 Chevy Silverado VIN ending in 237840 as surplus. Representative Lapin moved for approval. Seconded, McCarty. Total: 2,247; Ayes: 1,760; Absent: 487-Wilber. Motion carried.

**SOIL & WATER DISTRICT –JORDAN CLEMENTS**

Jordan Clements, District Manager of Soil and Water distributed the May Otsego County Forestry Report. Jordan Clements gave the following updates including, but not limited to the following:

- Several towns have expressed interest in the Stream Program
- Several sales set up for Dozen Dads
- ½ mile trail almost complete at Dozen Dads
- Will send an email regarding scheduling the Board members to tour forest parcels on a Saturday in August
- Forest cabin is now in use, would like to add extra security measures and insulation

- Looking for a project to use for the Urban Forestry Grant offered by the DEC
- Stream Program—funding has been secured for an excavator, discussion of the amount of projected cost savings, having Mark Watts of Chemung County speak at a Board Meeting, currently visiting the towns during town meetings to promote the Stream Program

The committee discussed an issue out of Copes Corners Park.

## **HIGHWAY –BILL MASON/RICH BRIMMER**

Representative Oberacker relayed a concern from a constituent regarding 38A/Brooker Hollow Rd.

Board Chair Bliss entered the meeting.

Bill Mason requested approval to accept the bid from New Century Construction, LLC in the amount \$344,100 for the Co Hwy 35 bridge repair. Representative McCarty moved for approval. Seconded, Lapin. Total: 2,247; Ayes: 1,760; Absent: 487-Wilber. Motion carried.

Bill Mason requested approval to accept the bid from Advanced Storage Technologies in the amount of \$12,400 for the Gilbertsville salt shed design. Representative Farwell moved for approval. Seconded, Oberacker. Total: 2,247; Ayes: 1,760; Absent: 487-Wilber. Motion carried.

Rich Brimmer stated the new Volvo Excavator was delivered and is being used to install box culverts.

Rich Brimmer stated bids were received for Trucks Nos. 88, 89 and 90. Representative Lapin moved for approval to award the bid for truck nos. 88, 89 and 90 to the Town of Middlefield in the amount of \$30,000, \$30,000 and \$35,000 respectively. Seconded, Farwell. Total: 2,247; Ayes: 1,760; Absent: 487-Wilber. Motion carried.

Rich Brimmer stated there was a bid from the Town of Unadilla for the #147 Ford Tractor. Representative Farwell moved for approval to accept the bid from the Town of Unadilla in the amount of \$750 for the Ford Tractor. Seconded, Lapin. Total: 2,247; Ayes: 1,385; Noes: 375 – McCarty; Absent: 487-Wilber. Motion carried.

Bill Mason stated that at the next meeting with the Highway Supervisors the topic for discussion will be how to optimize response to the next weather event and coordinate with 911 and Emergency Services.

Bill Mason said he rebid the tree contract and it is due back June 28<sup>th</sup>.

Rich Brimmer stated he received a bill from the DEC for fuel tank recertifications in three locations and requested the following budget transfer:

Transfer from	5130-4560-DM	Fuel	\$1,000
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Transfer to                    5010-4800                    Other                    \$1,000

Representative McCarty moved for approval. Seconded, Lapin. Total: 2,247; Ayes: 1,760; Absent: 487-Wilber. Motion carried.

Bill Mason requested approval to enter into an executive session. Representative McCarty moved for approval to enter into an executive session to include Bill Mason, Rich Brimmer and Board Chair Bliss to discuss matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person. Seconded, Farwell. Total: 2,247; Ayes: 1,760; Absent: 487-Wilber. Motion carried.

The committee reconvened.

The committee discussed the plan to handle surplus equipment.

Representative Farwell inquired about how to obtain signage for a town road.

Board Chair Bliss inquired about the CR 54 project, replacing a County Route marker in Hartwick Seminary and a concern regarding signage at the intersection of Hade Hollow Rd and County Rd 33.

#### **OTHER –REPRESENTATIVE OBERACKER**

Representative Oberacker stated the meeting with BOCES has been postponed.

Representative Oberacker stated there are a series of projects that need to be prioritized, adding to assist with that he would like to designate individuals to head up steering committees. Representative Oberacker stated that Representatives Wilber and Farwell could oversee the Highway building project and that Representatives Oberacker and McCarty could oversee the Public Safety/Jail/242 Main/ Roses Hill projects.

Representative Oberacker discussed the future of the tower at CR 14.

#### **BUILDING SERVICES –DOUG CZERKIES**

Doug Czerkies gave the following updates:

##### COB:

- Roof-top AC #2 is working temporarily, Trane is providing quotes for the cost to replace
- Working with Planning on the Clean Energy Community grant, the AC replacements for the COB and the Jail may meet the criteria and qualify towards the \$250,000 grant award

Meadows:

- Working with Planning and DSS on the Tiny homes project

Public Safety Bldg:

- Conference call set up for tomorrow with LaBella and the Sheriff to discuss construction phasing on the Dorm renovation project, Representative Oberacker asked to be included on the call
- Scoping out new cabinets/counters for the control room renovation and Judges Bench project through RJ Millworks in Oneonta, additional time required to follow purchasing procedures

Doug Czerkies relayed an incident that occurred at the 242 Main St building involving e-cigarettes. Representative Lapin moved for approval to adopt the NYS Health Department regulations regarding tobacco use to include the use of e-cigarettes. Seconded, Farwell. Total: 2,247; Ayes: 1,760; Absent: 487-Wilber. Motion carried.

Northern Transfer Station:

- Installed and repaired over 500 ft of trash catcher fence

Clifton St:

- Working with Kelis Construction on septic issues at the Bassett Clinic

Doug Czerkies requested the following budget transfer to cover the Federal donation fee for 911 tower maintenance equipment:

Transfer from	Comm Radio Mtc	3020-4810	\$8,821.40
Transfer to	Equipment	1630-2000	\$8,821.40

Representative Farwell moved for approval. Seconded, Lapin. Total: 2,247; Ayes: 1,760; Absent: 487-Wilber. Motion carried.

Representative Lapin invited Doug Czerkies to be apart of the 242 Main St task force, to which Doug Czerkies agreed.

There being no further business to discuss, the committee adjourned until Monday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00 a.m. at the County Office Building.