

MEETING OF THE ONEIDA COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

HELD ON: May 24th, 2012

MEMBERS PRESENT: PASZAK, HOLEWINSKI, SHIDELL, TIMMONS; excused: BAIER

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: BENNETT/COMMISSIONER, COOPER/SECRETARY,
DUTCHER/PATROL SUPT, WRYCHA/OFFICE MGR, GALE/OMNI
ASSOCIATES

The following matters were taken up to wit:

1. Paszak called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. It was noted the meeting was properly posted and the media notified.
2. **Motion:** Timmons/Shidell to approve the agenda. All ayes.
3. **Motion:** Shidell/Holewinski to approve the corrected minutes of the May 10th, meeting. All ayes.
4. **Motion:** Holewinski/Timmons to approve vendor vouchers #267-283 for a total of \$94,940.75, plus personal expense vouchers presented. All ayes.
5. Committee/Supervisor discussions of department construction and/or maintenance activities.
Dutcher discussed:
 - County work: Finished replacing culverts and digging out clay pockets on CTH Q; crack sealed multiple roads
 - State work: Removed another beaver dam on USH 45; sinkhole on USH 45 to be repaired; patching pot holes; USH 51 culvert end collapsing in Hazelhurst that will have to be repaired; may be milling and paving USH 8 turnoff lane onto STH 47; pulling political signs as instructed by the DOT
 - Misc: In the process of repairing catch basins and drains in Lake Tomahawk; installed an emergency culvert that failed in the Town of PelicanBennett discussed:
 - Informed the committee that the CTH "J" project, our estimated share of the cost, has been reduced from \$739,000 to 575,000 less \$136,780 for engineering costs, because the estimated cost from the DOT for the intersection went from \$250,000 to \$87,000. This brings the total construction costs to the county at \$438,220 but does not include right of way purchases, easements, or utilities.
 - Working with the Forestry Dept to widen six miles of forestry roads over the next few years
 - Making lots of calls for setting paver on CTH Q
 - Completed five quotes for various outside jobs
 - Checking inventories
 - Met with DOT on phase II of the USH 51 project
 - Watching number on the CTH Q projectShidell asked whether the employees would be trained on the new road widener. Bennett said yes, and that the machine is exactly the same as the machine we have been renting the last few years; so the employees are familiar with how it works. Shidell asked Bennett to keep a close eye on the setup costs, repairs, expenses and revenues from the machine.
Holewinski mentioned that he noticed that the crews are not maintaining their shoulders properly.
6. Bennett informed the committee the Monico Town Chairman said he was thinking about paving the road going into our Monico Shop, then plans on putting a load limit on it. He is saying this because we will not remove the weight restriction on CTH B.
7. **Motion:** Holewinski/Shidell to approve the Highway Dept DID's Report with corrections. All ayes.
8. Discussed contractor setting paver on CTH Q project. Bennett explained that he has contacted all area contractors and three of the four said this was not a good idea. There would be too many fingers in the fire

and too many ways for errors to occur. There would be one company paving, another company producing the mix, and the county hauling the mix. They felt it was too hard to bid on laying the mix after the fact. They suggested rebidding the whole project and include the pulverizing and shaping, hot mix purchase, and laying the hot mix. The only company that would bid on laying the mix was Pitlik & Wick for \$3.90/ton, and that's because they already won the bid for the hot mix purchase. **Motion:** Shidell/Timmons to have Pitlik & Wick set a paver for the CTH Q project. All ayes. Shidell mentioned that, in the future, the specs will cover all of this.

9. Discussed dropping the State equipment rate on a truck to haul mix for area townships to be competitive with area trucking companies. The committee agreed to move forward with this.
10. Purchasing a used flat bed from Solid Waste for \$1.00 to convert to an additional water truck.
11. **Motion:** Holewinski/Timmons to crush 5,000 tons of gravel in the South Exit Pit and 5,000 tons in the Burrows Lake Pit. All ayes.
12. **Motion:** Shidell/Holewinski to approve the request for Bridge Aid from the Town of Pelican for an emergency culvert replacement on Lake George Road. All ayes.
13. Future meeting dates:
 - June 14, 2012, 8:00 a.m.
 - June 28th, 2012, 8:00 a.m.
 - July 12th, 2012, 8:00 a.m.
 - July 26th, 2012, 8:00 a.m.
14. Future agenda items:
 - CTH J Project
 - CTH Q Project
 - Interdepartmental employees
15. No Public comments
16. **Motion:** Holewinski/Timmons to adjourn at 9:40 am. All ayes.

Committee Chairperson

Committee Secretary