

# MEETING OF THE ONEIDA COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS/SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE

**DATE: AUGUST 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014**

**MEMBERS PRESENT: PASZAK, CUSHING, JENSEN, TIMMONS**

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: BENNETT/COMMISSIONER, COOPER/SECRETARY,  
FREUDENBERG/CO BOARD MEMBER, ANDERSON/LAKELAND TIMES**

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:** Cushing/Timmons to approve the agenda. All ayes.
3. **Motion:** Timmons/Jenson to approve the minutes of the July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2014 meeting. All ayes.
4. **Motion:** Timmons/Jensen to approve Highway vendor vouchers #361 -396 for a total of \$30,458.30 plus personal expense vouchers. All ayes.
5. **Motion:** Cushing/Jensen to approve the Wisconsin Department of Transportation Local Force Agreement for \$57,000 to crack seal STH 70 from the Western County Line toward Woodruff, approximately 7 miles. All ayes. Bennett explained that this is extra money for work to be done above our Routine Maintenance Agreement money.
6. **Motion:** Paszak/Timmons to accept the amendment to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation Routine Maintenance Agreement for an extra \$179,900 to offset some of the winter maintenance efforts provided by the county between January and April of this year. All ayes.
7. **Motion:** Timmons/Cushing to close acceptance of any additional truck attachment bids. All ayes. Bids received: Truck Equipment \$96,839.00; Caspers Truck Equipment \$94,999.00; Olson Trailer & Body \$114,442.00; Monroe Truck Equipment \$110,302.00. **Motion:** Cushing/Timmons to have personnel review the bids and bring back a recommendation at the next meeting. All ayes.
8. **Motion:** Cushing/Jensen to approve the Bridge Aid Resolution for the Town of Pelican for a culvert replaced in Cuenin Creek on Lassig Road for a total cost of \$14,790.45 of which the County is responsible for 50% or \$7,395.22. All ayes.
9. Bennett showed the committee the revised specifications for Highway Y after corrections were made. After Corporation Counsel made changes, the specs went from 7 pages to 76 pages.
10. Committee discussed the 2014 and 2015 budget. Cooper showed the committee the projected shortfall in general maintenance for 2014 because of the harsh winter months of January, February, March, and April. Bennett explained that, if we continue to get outside work for the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, we may be able to cover the shortfall. Discussed 2015 budget figures. A printout showed the Highway Department decreases and increases in the tax levy from 2001 – 2014. 2013 showed the lowest tax levy amount for all 13 years. Cooper showed the projected budget figures for 2015. One scenario with a decrease in levy of \$108,000 as a result of 2 retired employees not being replaced and an upcoming retirement of the Office Manager. This figure was received from Sorenson, Finance Director. The other scenario, requesting the same amount from the previous year, \$1,578,924. Bennett said because of the bad winter, we don't know where we will end up at the end of 2014. Bennett informed the committee that

Sorenson suggested he request the same amount as last year. **Motion:** Cushing/Timmons to use the same figure as last year \$1,578,924 for the 2015 budget. All ayes. Cooper said according to Finance, each committee must receive their budget information two weeks in advance. The committee agreed that this will be the start of their two weeks, and Wrycha will bring the final for approval at the next meeting.

11. **Motion:** Jensen/Cushing to approve the Commissioner's attendance at the Wisconsin Department of Transportation Commissioner's Training in Eau Claire, WI October 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014. All ayes.
12. **Motion:** Cushing/Timmons to take off any future agenda the item of Committee/Supervisor discussion of department construction and/or maintenance activities. All ayes.
13. **Motion:** Jensen/Cushing to approve Solid Waste vendor vouchers for a total of \$8,944.41. All ayes.
14. **Motion:** Jensen/Timmons to purchase the end loader that Solid Waste has been renting for \$121,000. All ayes.
15. Future meeting dates:
  - August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2014, 8:00 am.
  - September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2014, 8:00 a.m. (Committee road trip to see year to date progress)
  - September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2014, 8:00 a.m.
16. Future agenda items:
  - Truck attachment bids
  - County Highway Y construction bids
  - Nokomis ATV Club – multi-use trail on CTH L
  - Right of way purchase on CTH L
17. No public comments.
18. **Motion:** Jensen/Cushing to adjourn at 8:52 am. All ayes.

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Committee Chairperson

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Committee Secretary