

Public Works Committee Minutes
May 8, 2012 – 4:00 p.m.

Present: Chairman Raymond; Supervisors Grattidge, A. Johnson, Hargrave, Peck, Southworth, Wood and Collyer; Ryan Moore, Mgmt. Analyst; Tom Speziale, Joe Ritchey, Public Works; League of Women Voters; Press.

Chairman Raymond called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance.

Ms. Raymond announced Mr. Ritchey's retirement and thanked him for his service to the county.

On a motion made by Mr. Hargrave, seconded by Mr. Johnson the minutes of the April 10, 2012 meeting were approved unanimously.

Mr. Peck thanked Mr. Ritchey, on behalf of the county, for his phenomenal service to the county.

Mr. Ritchey gave a brief update on the 2012 Highway and Bridge Capital Program. He said the county reconstructs approximately 20 miles of roadway a year. He said three years ago the County Administrator came to him and requested a scale back to the program based on budget constraints. He said they took a two year program and stretched it over three years. This year there are approximately 14 miles of roadway that will be done which include the following:

- 1.6 miles in the Town of Edinburg, Cty. Rd 4
- 4.5 miles in the Town of Hadley, Cty. Rd 8
- 5 miles in the Town of Providence, Fish house Road
- 1 miles on Spier Falls Road in the Town of Greenfield
- 2.7 miles on Cty. Rd 71, Cedar Buff Road in the Town of Saratoga

Mr. Ritchey said under the local bridge program there is one engineering project under way:

- Fish House Road over Kenyetto Creek – this bridge is scheduled to be reconstructed in 2013

The following bridges are being reconstructed for 2012:

- Malta Ave over the Kaydeross Creek – scheduled to be complete by July
- The Tributary over the Sacandaga River

The federally funded projects include two engineering projects, scheduled for reconstruction in 2014.

- Mott Road over the Snook kill
- Strafford Bridge over Fish Creek

The following are under construction:

- Stewarts Dam – scheduled to be completed in October
- County Rd 45 over the Kaydeross Creek – scheduled to be completed in 2013
- County Rd 4 over the Anthony Kill – scheduled to be completed in 2013
- Dix's Bridge – scheduled to be completed in 2013
- Hadley Luzerne Bridge- handled by Warren County

Mr. Ritchey said last December the Public Works Committee authorized the submittal of the Draft Solid Waste Management Plan to DEC. After that, all municipalities were notified in the county, along with all surrounding counties, all solid waste agencies in the area, the Saratogian, and Gazette newspapers, and posting was made on the county website, with a comment period from February 8th through March 31st.

Mr. Ritchey said last month the committee and the Board authorized the release of the Draft Request for Proposal with regard to the County Landfill. All notifications have been made which included a NYS DEC Environmental Notice bulletin. Notice was placed on the NYS Register; public notices were placed in both the Schenectady Gazette and the Saratogian Newspaper in addition to being posted on the county website. Mr. Ritchey said there are also hard copies that can be picked up at the Public Works Department. The comment period will end on July 2nd, and if everything goes as planned there is a possibility for a contract by the end of 2012, he said.

On a motion made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Hargrave the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Chris Sansom