

Public Works Committee Minutes

October 1, 2007 – 4:00 p.m.

Present: Chairman Thompson; Supervisors Grattidge, Hargrave, Janik, Raymond, Yepsen and Gutheil; Spencer Hellwig, Mgmt. Analyst; Mark Rider, County Attorney; Joe Miranda, Recycling Coordinator; Joe Ritchey, Public Works; Press.

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

On a motion made by Mr. Hargrave, seconded by Ms. Raymond the minutes of the August 13, 2007 meeting were approved unanimously.

Mr. Ritchey said the City of Saratoga Springs has indicated an interest in providing sidewalks on the Geyser Road bridge sometime in the future. According to County policy the sidewalks and construction would be a local town responsibility. The City of Saratoga Springs has agreed to that. The County Attorney has drawn up the agreement and he has asked that the committee consider approving a resolution to authorize the Chairman to enter into an agreement. There are no funds involved, he said. The county would apply to the Federal Government to build the bridge wide enough to accommodate a sidewalk in the future. If the City of Saratoga Springs decides to build it, they will do it at their expense and maintain it, and will also agree to pay for the local share of the additional construction costs, which is estimated at 5% or \$4,000. The total cost of widening the bridge is \$80,000.

A motion was made by Ms. Raymond, seconded by Mr. Hargrave to approve a resolution authorizing the Chairman to enter into an agreement with the City of Saratoga Springs allowing for the construction and maintenance of a sidewalk on the Geyser Road Bridge over the D&H Railroad. Unanimous.

Mr. Ritchey gave a brief update on the 2007 Highway and Bridge Capital Reconstruction Program as follows: A three mile section of North Shore Road has been completed in the Town of Hadley; 1.4 miles on County Road 10 has been completed in the Town of Corinth; Middlegrove Road, has just

been paved and details are being worked on; A three mile section on Rock City Falls Road has been completed in the Town of Milton; A 1.2 mile section on Rowland Street has been completed in the Town of Milton; A 1.4 mile section of Malta Avenue Extension has been completed in the Town of Malta; A two mile section on Harris Road has been completed in the Town of Halfmoon; In the Town of Galway and Charlton on Jockey Street, paving has begun and should be done in approximately two weeks; A 1.1 mile section on Stage Road, in Charlton has been completed.

Mr. Ritchey said there were three in-house bridge projects for the year, with two of them completed. One on Hans Creek Road, over Hans Creek in the Town of Providence; One on Old Mill Road in the town of Galway over the Glowegee Creek; Work will begin on a large culvert replacement on Hagadorn Road, in the Town of Providence, with anticipated completion in two weeks.

Mr. Thompson asked what the status was on the Traffic Light to be installed on Middletown Road in the Town of Waterford. Mr. Ritchey said an RFP has been submitted for engineering. It is anticipated that the work will be completed in 2009.

Mr. Miranda distributed copies of the Saratoga County Recycling Program for October 2007 as follows: The Year to Date tonnage is 4,938, which is 618 tons short of last years figure or an 11% decrease in recycling tonnage.

Mr. Miranda said revenues have increased 31% year to date. Current revenue is \$632,467 compared to last year's revenue at this time of \$481,774. The markets on metal and paper remain strong.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Chris Sansom