



MINUTES
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
Tuesday, March 9, 2021 at 5:30PM
Live Stream Link: <https://youtu.be/IO5E9mqbfQk>

CALL TO ORDER: By Hon. Tucker Whitman @ 5:30 pm

MEMBERS: Legislators Andy Dennison, Tricia Kerr, Hans Pecher, Paul Pinckney, Mark Strong, and Ben Vitale

OTHERS: Legislators Keith Batman, Tim Lattimore, Elane Daly, Chair Aileen McNabb-Coleman; Gary Duckett, Doug Dello-Stritto, Brian Soper, Rich Graham, Brittany Massi, Lacey Bailey, Jodie Nickerson, Steve Lynch, Suzanne Gauthier, Lindsay Wilkinson, Dan Walsh, Karen Kuhl, Erin McDonald.

MINUTES TO APPROVE: February 9, 2021, **Motion by Dennison, 2nd by Strong. All in favor**

PRESENTATION: Ben Vitale, re: Regional Water Project Plan

QUESTIONS: Batman, all of the phases beginning with one with the pipe from Springport South would require the creation of the Central Cayuga Water District. Answer, Yes, if funding the regional part of it. Strong, is there anything for the Moravia area/district and would there be a tax for the people of my district when they are receiving no benefit from it? Answer, no. Kerr, details on treatment plant financing. Answer, water treatment plant is regional benefit so it would be assessed across 17 +/- municipalities, or more accurately specific areas within districts benefiting from the project. Timing will be dependent on a trigger point due to need and/or viable financing opportunities. Lattimore, is there any connection between Owasco and Cayuga lakes? Answer, yes, that is the plan to be able to pull from both lakes to ensure reliability. Lattimore will this help the ag industry grow? Answer, it can be a factor.

APPOINTMENTS: None

DEPARTMENT UPDATES FOR COMMITTEE:

- **Jeanine Wilson (CCWSA) – No updates**

- **Larry Roser (Weights and Measures) –**

In February I tested the scales at all 13 Supermarkets in Cayuga County, 14 if you count ALDI's old location then the new location.

ALDI's on Clark Street = OLD, ALDI's on Grant Ave. = NEW, B.J.'s, Bayside Grocery, Cato Grocery Store, Ed & Jeans, Maxwell's Food Store, Modern Market, TOP's, Union Springs Supermarket, Walmart, Weedsport Supermarket, Wegman's, and Witmer's Country Market.

There were 201 sales in all and 187 passed = 93%. 14 failed all to the customers favor OK to use.

Wegman's had their 4 repaired and 3 passed, 1 is now against the customer and a STOP USE has been issued. Wegman's also had 1 new scale and 1 repaired scale that I was not called for, they were issued an \$800 fine as this is the 5th time in 8 years.

TOP's also had 1 new scale and 1 repaired scale that I was not called to test, they have also been issued a \$400 fine as this is the 4th time in 8 years. TOP's has also told me they are increasing the number of YOU SCAN scales from 4 to 6.

This month I purchased 12 gas samples from 5 stations. Crawford's West End, Bayside, Pit Stop in N. Victory, NYS Thruway in Port Byron, and Byrne Dairy in Auburn. I will not have the results till March.

Auburn High School called and had me test the 2 scales in the Nurses office and 1 Wrestling scale. They all passed.

I tested the 19 scales at New Hope Mills and 18 of the 19 scales passed, including a 2,500 lb. scale. 1 scale on a production line failed on a corner -.138 lbs. at 5 lbs. It was taken out of service for repairs and a backup scale put in its place.

- **Gary Duckett (Buildings and Grounds/Parks and Trails) –**

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS AND PARKS ADMINISTRATION: Crew Gary Duckett and Donna Blumrick:

1. Gary's goal this year is to create a meaningful Capital Plan for Buildings and Grounds, including Parks and Trails. This will include getting a decision from the Legislature on the future of the County Office Building.
2. The Parks Department has been assisting the Buildings and Grounds Crew with snow removal.

3. Doug's father, Phil DelloStritto passed away peacefully Tuesday evening, 2/23/21. Because of this the February Park Commission was cancelled.

DOWNTOWN: Crew Ed Eberhardt, Al Raymond, Paul France, and Jeff King:

1. In addition to routine maintenance, preventive maintenance and the day to day efforts for snow and ice removal (which has been rough in February) Ed and his team responded to over 75 maintenance requests in February.
 2. VIP Structures was low bidder on the Family Court public service window (tenant work) project. Their quote was \$20,380. Ed's team has been opening and closing the building to allow the vendor to have access.
 3. VIP Structures was low bidder on the Health Departments Clinic updates to the Hardenberg Building. Their quote was \$16,176. Work should start in Mid-March.
 4. Gary and Ed will be interviewed the only two applicants for the Part Time Building Maintenance Position on 2/26/21.
5. ADDITIONAL Buildings & Grounds UPDATES: 1 Buildings and Grounds staff member was hospitalized for 4 days, but is back at work now. Gary has been working with an architect to fix the Historic Post Office where facia is coming off. RFP will be going out.

COUNTY HOUSE ROAD and TOWERS: Crew Mitch Brown, Ben McIntyre, Bruce Simmons and Greg Purcell:

1. In addition to routine maintenance and the day to day efforts including snow and ice removal (which has been rough in February and doing PM work for the PSB and 911 Towers Mitch and his team responded to over 124 maintenance requests in January.
2. The crew has been called upon to do a **great amount of disinfecting** all areas of the PSB and as well as vehicles.

PARKS AND TRAILS Crew Doug Dello Stritto, Mike Dagnesi and Jon Borsa

Emerson Park:

- A. The Parks & Planning Department and TWMLA continues design work for the Deauville Island Destination Playground and Amphitheater projects approved by Resolution 138-20. Layout design and architecture review is underway.
- B. The Emerson Park Pavilion continues to function as an asymptomatic COVID-19 testing site operated by Cayuga County EMO supported by Parks & Trails staff. The current schedule is one day per week, Thursdays from Noon till 6:00pm.
- C. The Parks Department is coordinating with the City of Auburn and their contractor to perform the clean-out of the culvert pipes at Emerson Park extending from the Pavilion side of the park to the outlet. Mobilization will begin when the site is clear of ice.
- D. Cayuga County IT is assisting with assessment of connecting facilities and infrastructure monitoring to the network.

Ward W. O'Hara Ag Museum/Dr. Joseph F. Karpinski Sr. Educational Center Update (Tim Quill Director PT):

1. The Cayuga County Fair Committee cancelled their meeting on 3/1/21.
2. Planning is underway for Spring/Summer 2021 programs at the museum. Annual events are considered tentative and dependent on the gathering guidance from local, state and federal health agencies.
3. Doug is working to replace hot spot currently being used with wired highspeed internet and county network access.
4. In Spring Park Staff will finish installing siding on front of museum. When that is complete the museum will be all steel siding and have all new windows.
5. Doug is working with an electrical contractor to reestablish electrical service to the Log Cabin. The building has had no power since last summer.

Sterling Nature Center (Jim D'Angelo Director PT):

1. New Sterling Nature Center Visitors Center: construction bid was published and advertised on 2/15/2021. Full plans are available at the Syracuse Builders Exchange. A virtual pre-bid meeting was held on 2/17/21 and a pre-bid site visit was held on 2/18/2021. Bid opening is scheduled for Tuesday March 2, 2021 at 2:00pm. Tentative project start date is April 1. Construction/contract schedule is estimated at 12 - 15 months.

Trail Update:

1. The Auburn Fleming Trail: new decking is being installed on bridge 3 as weather permits (from Dunning Ave entrance.)
2. The Cato-Brutus Trail:
 - a. Bridge A: (Chase Rd) CFA funding has been approved. January resolution approval will allow the contract release by NYS Parks for execution.
 - b. Bridge C: (Ditmar Rd) bridge fabricator has sent plans for approval and coordination with CCSWCD for site preparation and CCSWCD has begun planning for site work and abutment fabrication and associated services. Installation target is May 2021.
3. Cato - Fair Haven trail: no report
4. Cayuga County Highway continues to perform trail maintenance as necessary.

Owasco Flats: Nothing new to report.

Any Questions? Whitman, do we have a general contractor handling the nature center project? Dello-Stritto, Combination of us and some through Beardsley. Some separated out by the Grant. Lynch, Wicks Law requires separate bids for various aspects. Lattimore, is there a mock up on the playground? Dello-Stritto, that has been requested from Trowbridge.

- **Brian Soper (Highway) –**

- Scott Gulf – We will be starting to haul the large rock for the project with Soil & Water in the next few weeks all of the training needed has been completed to load out of the quarry.
- Material bids are all in and with the resolution present they will be awarded.
- Snow operations are hopefully coming to end soon. We will be moving to 4/10-hour days starting April 5th 2021.
- Paving plan is also present in the resolutions this month it is not the complete list of projects it is what we will be able to complete with the budgeted monies. There will be additional roads to be added after the state budget numbers are released.

RESOLUTIONS:

BUILDINGS:

3-21-PW-1 Authorization to enter into a Service Agreement with LINSTAR for Security Equipment including printers, cameras, controllers, card readers and other related equipment. **Motion by Kerr, 2nd by Vitale. All in favor.**

DISCUSSION: Whitman noted that this is another matter that should be handled by IT and we should be moving toward having all information technology related matters moved to their office.

3-21-PW-2 Authorization to enter into a 24 Hour Temperature Control Service Agreement with Upstate Temperature Control Inc. for the controls of the Johnson Controls pneumatic temperature controls for the HVAC equipment in the Historic Post Office. **Motion by Dennison, 2nd by Vitale. All in favor**

DISCUSSION: Is this a renewal? Duckett, renewal. Strong, who owns this building? Whitman, the County.

PARK & TRAILS: Motion by Vitale, 2nd by Strong for discussion.

3-21-PW-3 Authorizing the hiring of seasonal staff for the Parks & Trails Department for the 2021 season. **Motion by Dennison, 2nd by Kerr. All in favor.**

3-21-PW-12 **(ADDED 3/9/21)** Authorizing the Chair of the Cayuga County Legislature to accept the grant funds from the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Recreational Trails Program for the Cato – Brutus Trail Bridge “A” project. **Motion made by Kerr, 2nd by Dennison. All in favor.**

HIGHWAY:

3-21-PW-4 Authorization for Chair of the Legislature to award material bids. **Motion by Vitale, 2nd by Kerr. All in favor.**

DISCUSSION: Lattimore asked if the material bids being voted on tonight includes salt Soper, no, stone, oil and other summer stuff. Still currently under contract for salt. Lattimore, is the price of oil going down? Soper, no, the index is increasing every day.

3-21-PW-5 Authorization to approve 2021 paving list. **Motion by Dennison, 2nd by Strong. All in favor.**

3-21-PW-6 Authorization for the Highway to purchase highway equipment. **Motion by Strong, 2nd by Dennison. All in favor.**

3-21-PW-7 Authorizing the Highway Department to hire 10 seasonal laborers. **Motion by Kerr, 2nd by Strong. All in favor.**

3-21-PW-8 Authorization to approve 2021 surface treatment list. **Motion by Dennison, 2nd by Strong. All in favor.**

DISCUSSION: Kerr, with the paving and treatment list is the opportunity for coordination with the towns? Soper, yes, the plan to work with them in every way possible.

3-21-PW-9 Authorizing the Highway Superintendent and Chairperson of the Legislature to terminate an agreement with Evolution Consulting LLC and enter an agreement with Lakeshore Employee Testing Services. **Motion by Dennison, 2nd by Vitale. All in favor.**

3-21-PW-10 Authorizing the Chair of the Legislature and Highway Superintendent to enter into an agreement with towns mowing on county roads. **Motion by Kerr, 2nd by Whitman. All in favor.**

3-21-PW-11 Authorization to fill Sign Maintenance Person position in the County Highway Department due to the resignation of a former employee. **Motion by Vitale, 2nd by Kerr. All in favor.**

DISCUSSION: Kerr, since this has been vacant for a while, did you get to look at the city operations and see if there was the possibility of shared services? Soper, this position has only been vacant for a week, but he has initiated discussion with the city about combining sign shops.

ADJOURNMENT: 6:27 pm. Motion by Dennison, 2nd by Kerr. All in favor.

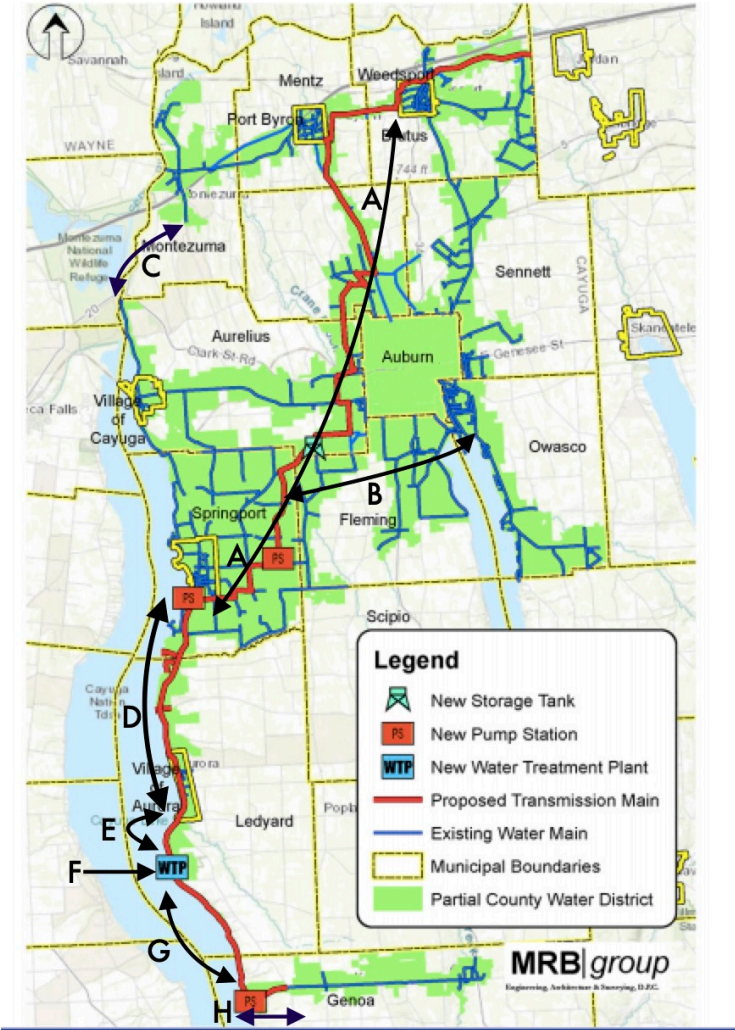
Benefits of the Regional Water Project

- Provides long sought second water source
- Avoid duplication and save money
- Economic development
 - Uniform wholesale water pricing
 - Expanded service area
 - Expanded capacity
- Increases reliability and resiliency of water supply
- Improves opportunities for grants and favorable funding opportunities

Why Long Point for new Intake and Water Treatment Plant?

- Identified as most economical option in the Master Plan
- Easy access to deep water
- Available land

Project Breakdown Elements



Project Elements

Description			Cost
A. Spine pipeline improvements from Springport north to Brutus and Montezuma incl. pump stations, storage and rechlorination			\$5,000,000
B. Spine pipeline improvements from Springport to Owasco and Sennett			\$1,550,000
C. Pipeline from Aurelius to Montezuma to create new loop			\$1,780,000
D. Pipeline and pump station from Springport through the village of Aurora			\$6,200,000
E. Cayuga Lake intake and water treatment plant			\$15,000,000
F. Pipeline between new Long Point WTP and Aurora			\$2,000,000
G. Pipeline from new WTP south to the end of Honoco Road			\$5,613,000
H. Pipeline from the end of Honoco Road east to the town of Genoa			\$1,200,000

Proposed Phases

Description			Elements
PHASE I. Construct a water pipeline from Springport south through the village of Aurora to the end of Honoco Road.			D, E, G
PHASE II. Construct improvements to the spine pipeline from Springport to Brutus to improve regional operations and provide for direct sale of water from CCWSA to municipalities			A
PHASE III. Construct new Cayuga Lake intake and water treatment plant.			F
PHASE IV. Extend pipeline from Honoco Road east to the Town of Genoa.			H
PHASE V. Construct pipeline from Aurelius to Montezuma			C
PHASE VI. Construct improvements from Springport to Fleming/Owasco and Sennett			B

Phase I – Cost allocation

Project element	Village of Aurora	Honoco Road	Regional	Total
D. 12" Pipeline from Springport through Aurora	\$4,183,000	\$0	\$1,060,000	\$5,243,000
E. 12" Pipeline from Long Point (Honoco) to Aurora	\$0	\$1,395,000	\$605,000	\$2,000,000
G. 8" Pipeline along Honoco Road	\$0	\$4,218,000	\$0	\$4,218,000
Totals	\$4,183,000	\$5,613,000	\$1,665,000	\$11,461,000