



**AGENDA**  
**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**  
**Tuesday, August 8, 2023 at 5:30PM**  
**Live stream Link - [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=60ri5\\_yVscw](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=60ri5_yVscw)**

**CALL TO ORDER:** By Hon. Andy Dennison

**MEMBERS:** Legislators Jim Basile, Christina Calarco, Michael Didio (Vice Chair), Tricia Kerr, Brian Muldrow and Hans Pecher

**MINUTES TO APPROVE:** July 11, 2023

**APPOINTMENTS:** None

**DEPARTMENT UPDATES FOR COMMITTEE:**

**Karl Rindfleisch (CCWSA) – No updates**

**Kyle Laukaitis (Weights and Measures) –**

**Petroleum Quality Samples** – 12 Samples purchased from 4 different stations. All 12 passed. Purchased from: Speedway-Clark St, Speedway-Whitebridge Rd, Fastrac-Grant Ave, Cayuga County Motor Pool-Auburn.

**Truck Scales** – Hanson Oakwood, Auburn repaired and tested 2 times due to broken components.

Robinson Concrete, Auburn replaced digital indicators and tested.

**Gas Stations** – Tested 105 petroleum pumps at 6 stations. Fastrac-Grant Ave. Auburn, Pit Stop-Port Byron, Pit Stop-Weedsport, King Ferry Corner Store, Pit Stop- N. Victory, Kwik Fill-Moravia. No failures against customer.

**Supermarkets** – Walmart both sides of store. New scales added to produce section. Tested 49 scales total. All passed.

**Gary Duckett (Buildings and Grounds) –**

**Committee Report**

**Buildings and Grounds Administration: Crew Gary Duckett and Donna Blumrick:**

1. Shereen Androsko and I participated in the kickoff meeting with Architect selected for the Design, Construction Administration and Construction Inspection for the expansion of City Courts. The City is planning to cover the cost for the architect, but the County Legislature will need to approve a Capital H and fund the construction phase of the project.
2. Update County Office Building Project: Bergmann continues to work with the Buildings Committee to advance this project. Shereen and I are continuing to work on this.
3. I have included an updated the Building and Grounds project list dated 7/28/23. Other updates include receiving the following from Bergmann:
  - a. Historic Post Office – Received stamped and signed drawings for the AC replacement at the Historic Post Office. Troy and Zach are currently working on the pneumatic control replacement design.
  - b. PSB Drainage – based on your message earlier today, these drawings have been finalized with previous updates and are attached.
  - c. Hardenberg Building Canopy proposal – Received attached proposal for design work to remove the existing drive-thru bank canopy and repair the exterior envelope at the Hardenberg Building.
  - d. PSB E-911 Call Center Concepts – Received attached proposal for field measuring the existing call center space and developing concept plans for reorganization of the primary E-911 call center at PSB.
4. Mental Health Parking Update: As you know I asked Bergmann for an estimate to develop a plan for removal of the pergola and maximizing parking for the building. Mental Health currently has 50 spots for 50 County Employees. Need additional parking for Contracted employees, Unity House, and Clients. With the removal of the pergola, we think we may be able to get an additional 13 spots. Unfortunately, the problem is even worse now because the Hospital has temporarily blocked access to the rear parking area which consists of 4 parking spots, and I will be moving my office into that building requiring an additional 2 parking spots once the Hospital has reopened the rear parking lot. Bergmann has quoted \$55,000 for this work but their quote included some work I don't think is necessary, I asked the County Attorney for an opinion on "Authority Having Jurisdiction". Steve Lynch said some work could be done by County Planning.

5. Hardenberg Roof and PSB partial Roof Project Update: The PSB roof is nearly complete. Still need to do a final inspection with the vender and get warranty paperwork. The Hardenberg roof is nearly complete. Employees were allowed to move back into the final parking area on 6/26. Still need to do the sheet metal work and install the new ladder to the second roof.
6. We will begin working on the 2024 Budget. It is Due August 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Downtown: Crew Ed Eberhardt, Paul France, Brian Henyan, Al Raymond, and Thomas Walker:**

1. In addition to routine building maintenance, preventive maintenance, the day-to-day efforts for ground maintenance and prepping for the changing seasons Ed and his team responded to over 123 maintenance requests as in July.
2. We are working to get ready for TK Elevator to install the new elevator mechanism in the Historic Post Office. In addition to the new Fire Alarm System upgrade approved by resolution 337-23 we are had a new disconnect installed for this project.
3. Ed reinstalled the gas line on the Hardenberg roof.
4. Maintenance continues to support a variety of office moves requested by various departments and in support of new hires.
5. Ed's crew rented a lift so they could repair and replace failed lighting on some of the downtown buildings.
6. The NYS Unified Court System Quarterly Inspection of Cleaning and Maintenance of the Court Facilities were received 7/25/23. All categories were scored "Adequate" (the highest score available) except the elevator in the HPO and the Air Conditioning in the City Court were listed as marginal because of ongoing efforts to replace failed systems. Luckily Ed was able to install heat pumps in the area till permanent repairs can be made.
7. *Due to time constraints, I was not able to get input from Ed for this report.*

**County House Road, Firing Range, Tower Sites: Crew Mitch Brown, Ben McIntyre, Bruce Simmons, Greg Purcell:**

1. In addition to routine building maintenance, preventive maintenance, the day-to-day efforts for ground maintenance and prepping for the changing seasons Mitch and his team responded to over 163 maintenance requests as in July.
2. Thank you for approving Resolution 245-23 to allow us to fill a FT Building Maintenance Mechanic Position, we currently have an applicant moving through the hiring process.
3. Mitch added the following:
  - a. We've been doing our Yearly PM'S for the roof top units.
  - b. We've had the Big Chiller PM'D.
  - c. Have been doing a lot of mowing lately with the rain.
  - d. Had to have the Training center AC repaired.
  - e. Still having trouble getting lock parts for the Jail.
  - f. Just finished up our monthly PM'S on the Towers.
  - g. Had a Sewer Break on County House Road.

**New Business?**

**Any Questions?**

**Doug Dello Stritto (Parks) –**

- Parks & Trails Department:
  - Parks staff is working with the new Purchasing Director to source replacement equipment for the Department.
- Emerson Park:
  - Projects:
    1. The Department will be starting a new memorial tree program recognizing the donation on a plaque within the park.
    2. Whitebridge road property: NYS DOT has requested further engineering documents for the new park access rd. July Resolution approved to fulfill this request.
    3. Replacement of the Deauville Island Shelter: Received LOI, application is with DASNY.
    4. All Emerson Park and Owasco Flats stone roadways will be filled, improved and oil and stone treated late July, early August.
    5. Deauville Island Architecture Design RFQ: cost outline is being negotiated.
    6. Branding –draft design for property entrance signs for the 38A/Whitebridge intersection, the main park entrance, and the entrance to the Fleming section of the park has been received.
    7. TWMLA/Fisher Associates has submitted draft rehab/redesign documents for the entrance plaza at the Merry-Go-Round theater. Phase 1 will be the replacement and realignment of the sidewalk and lighting surrounding the entrance to the theater.
  - Friends of Emerson Park:
    1. On 7/20 we parked 735 cars for the EPIC Concert Series and received coverage from the Citizen.
    2. Hockey Themed Outdoor Movie Night- The Mighty Ducks: was held Friday, July 28th
    3. Date Night Outdoor Movie Night- Ticket to Paradise: August 11th

- Renewal of the Rev Theatre contract: review of terms has been completed with the Rev Theatre leadership team. Final draft is in process with the county attorney's office.
- Ward W. O'Hara Ag Museum/Dr. Joseph F. Karpinski Sr. Educational Center Update (Tim Quill Director PT)
  - A. Programing
    1. Harvesting History Series will resume in September
    2. Museum Staff gearing up for 2023 Summer Season at museum
    3. July and August Museum summer hours Open 7 days a week from 10 A.M. till 5 P.M to accommodate increased visitation
  - B. Projects
    1. Roof on O'Hara/Riley/Osborne Rooms, 2 connecting wings and pavilion completed on May 30, 2023
    2. 8 over head doors were installed on the Implement Pavilion completely enclosing the structure. Friends provided funding for 5, the remaining 3 were funded by the museum budget. This was done Monday June 12 and Tuesday June 13, 2023.
    3. Canvas walls on wagon pavilion will be moved to Pavilion on end of O'Hara Wing with possible overhead doors next year
    4. Parks staff is working with wildlife specialists on nuisance wildlife issues
    5. Parks staff is quoting permeable parking installation on North End of Educational center
    6. Parks staff is working with IT to install fiber optic network cable for the museum to be networked
    7. Museum aids are working on power washing all exterior walls and doors of museum
    8. Museum aids are working on painting all exterior doors and trim of museum where required.
    9. Museum Director is working on Finishing Garage Exhibit
    10. Museum Director is working on Hibbard Basket Making exhibit
    11. Museum Director submitted 2024 Museum budget to Parks Department Director- Budget will show no increase from 2023
  - C. Museum Director is working on following Fall Projects
    1. Witch Hat Hunt October 1 thru 31
    2. Halloween at Museum Saturday October 21
    3. Festival of Trees, November 19-January 31
    4. Christmas Open House Sunday December 10, 2023
- Sterling Nature Center (Jim D'Angelo Director PT)
  - REDI Construction - site work for the outdoor classroom, pergola and shelter are complete. Site electric work is underway. Building will be weatherproof by mid-August and internal utilities and finishes will be started. Tentative completion target is mid-November.
- Owasco Flats:
  - Regrading and oil & stone sealing are scheduled for July. This is a budgeted project.
  - "Blueway" Mile and half mile markers have been sourced and the Parks & Trails Department is working with the City of Auburn to establish the locations for the new signage as requested by Moravia emergency services. Trail head signage for the Blueway Trail will also be installed.
- Trail Update:
  - The Auburn - Fleming Trail: new signage, mowing, drainage work is scheduled.
  - The Cato-Brutus Trail: no update
  - Cato - Fair Haven trail: Logging access was discovered near Ira Station Rd. Logging contractor rehabbed the site upon completion.
  - Cayuga County Highway trail maintenance calls:
    1. Culvert Replacement/clearing: 2
    2. Tree overhanging/blocking: 1

### **Brian Soper (Highway) –**

- Road stripping is complete except for the crosswalks and RR crossings. These will be done mid-August by the vendor.
- Roadside mowing is 50% complete on the second mowing for the season.
- Paving for August will include Poplar Ridge Rd and Blanchard Rd repairs this will complete the seasons projects.
- Snowplow contracts went out to the Towns/Villages in June 50% have been signed.
- Dead tree removal was performed with the removal of 55 trees through out the county over a 9-day period. There are numerous more to be removed as the budget allows. The stumps have been ground with the grinding's cleaned up.
- Crews have been replacing infrastructure to prep for next year's paving projects this includes pipe replacement's, shoulder work and venting of all driveway pipes.

## **RESOLUTIONS:**

### **BUILDINGS:**

8-23-PW-1 Authorizing the Chairman of the Cayuga County Legislature to sign a contract with the Unified Court System for court cleaning and minor repairs

### **HIGHWAY:**

8-23-PW-2 Authorization to hire seasonal Medium Equipment Operators (MEO) employees in the Highway Department

### **ADJOURNMENT: Tuesday, September 12, 2023**

IF YOU HAVE A DISABILITY AND NEED ACCOMMODATIONS, PLEASE CALL THE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE'S OFFICE AT 253-1308 AT LEAST 48 HOURS BEFORE THE SCHEDULED MEETING TO ADVISE WHAT ACCOMMODATIONS WILL BE NECESSARY.

**RESOLUTION NO.** \_\_\_\_\_ **8/22/23**      **BLD Unified Court System Cleaning/Repairs**

**Authorizing the Chairman of the Cayuga County Legislature to sign a contract with the Unified Court System for court cleaning and minor repairs**

BY: Hon. Chairman, Public Works Committee  
    Hon. Hans Pecher, Chairman, Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, Cayuga County is required by law to furnish and maintain adequate court facilities for use by trial courts of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the State of New York provides State Aid to cover the cost of cleaning, minor repairs and preventative maintenance services for court facilities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Cayuga County Legislature is authorized to enter into a 5-year contract with the State of New York Unified Court System for the period April 1, 2023 thru March 31, 2028, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the proposed budget for the first year of services shall be \$342,036 retro-active to April 1, 2023, and be it further,

RESOLVED, that the Finance Director is authorized to accept these funds annually for the duration of the contact period, and be it further,

RESOLVED, that the Finance Director is hereby authorized and directed to make the journal and accounting entries necessary to implement the intent of this resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

8/22/23

HWY SeasonalMEO23

**Authorization to hire seasonal Medium Equipment Operators (MEO) employees in the Highway Department**

By: Andy Dennison, Chairman of the Public Works Committee  
Hans Pecher, Chairman of the Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, Seasonal workers play a critical role in accomplishing such tasks on a temporary basis; and

WHEREAS, funding is allocated in Account D51101 51005 of the 2023 highway budget for the hiring of seasonal workers: now therefore be it.

RESOLVED, that the County Highway Superintendent be hereby authorized to hire six (6) seasonal Medium Equipment Operators to accomplish the added seasonal tasks required by the highway department; and be it further.

RESOLVED, that the seasonal MEO be paid at an hourly rate of \$23.28, without fringe benefits except those that are required by law; and be it further.

RESOLVED, that the foregoing be accomplished in accordance with Cayuga County Civil Service Rules and Regulations and the policies of the County of Cayuga.