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COUNTY FACILITIES COMMITTEE MINUTES – APRIL 13, 2021 DEBRA CODY, CHAIRMAN

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ms. Tassone, Ms. Kuhn, Mr. Bush, Ms. Ervin

ALSO ATTENDING: Mr. Knapp; Mr. Voss, Mr. Dyer, Mr. Rauber, Mr. ZMs. Velasco, Mr. Donnelly, Mr. Morgan Ms. Kaminski, Ms. Vilardi, Mr. Frantzis,

Chairman Cody called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m. *A motion was made by Ms. Ervin, seconded by Ms. Tassone to approve the minutes and waive the reading of the previous committee meeting. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.*

1. ONONDAGA COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY: Brian Donnelly, Deputy County Executive

- a. Confirming Appointment by the County Executive to the Onondaga County Public Library Board of Trustees (Timothy Mulvey)

Mr. Donnelly:

- County Executive appointments to the Library Board
- Timothy is currently with the State Attorney General's office – recommended by the Board President and Legislator Ervin

A motion was made by Ms. Ervin, seconded by Ms. Kuhn to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED

- b. Confirming Appointment by the County Executive to the Onondaga County Public Library Board of Trustees (Christina Ondrako)

Mr. Donnelly:

- Chris currently on board on library board – deals with the finance committee on the Library Board - does a wonderful job – this is a reappointment

A motion was made by Mr. Bush, seconded by Ms. Kuhn to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED

2. TRANSPORTATION: Martin E. Voss, Commissioner

- a. a. Amending the 2021 County Budget to Provide Additional Funds for the Purchase of Gasoline and Diesel Fuel to be Sold to the Howlett Hill Fire District and Authorizing the County Executive to Enter into Contracts (\$4,319)

Mr. Voss:

- Big year – a lot of infrastructure – may be disruptive for local communities - thanks in advance for understanding
- Allows Howlett Hill Fire Department to purchase gas – similar to other municipalities and other fire departments – this resolution is required to allow this to go forward

- Many other Fire Departments participate in this shared service offering - .03 admin fee added to price – consistent with all others that participate in fuel purchasing program

A motion was made by Mr. Bush, seconded by Ms. Kuhn to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED

- b. Amending the 2021 County Budget to Fund in the First Instance 100 Percent of the Federal Aid Eligible Costs at a Maximum Amount of \$360,000 for the Design (Scoping I-VI) and Right-of-Way Incidentals Phase of the Buckley Road (CR 48) Paving Project, PIN 3756.70, and Authorizing the Execution of Agreements (\$360,000)

Mr. Voss:

- Design and right away for Buckley Road in the Town of Salina and Clay between Taft and Hopkins – a lot of growth – this resolution allows Onondaga County (“OC”) to enter a contract for design phase
- Answered Ms. Cody’s question that construction will start in 2025
- Big project – Federal aid project gestation period is about 5 years – from time it is approved and funded – time consuming to work with right a ways, landowners and utilities
- Corridor has seen a ton of growth over the past 10 years
- Federal aid 80%, State 15%, County 5% - OC has to show State that funds are available in our budget
- Confirmed Ms. Kuhn’s questions - OC fronts the entire amount and gets reimbursed – 80% from Feds and 20% from OC for design phase

A motion was made by Mrs. Tassone, seconded by Mrs. Ervin to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED

- c. Amending the 2021 County Budget to Pay in the First Instance 100 Percent of the Federal and State Aid Eligible Costs at a Maximum Amount of \$1,140,000 for the Construction and Construction Inspection Phase of the Tuttle Road Bridge Project, PIN 3755.76, and Authorizing Execution of Agreement (\$1,140,000)

Mr. Voss:

- Tuttle Road in Cicero – Town road - OC owns the bridge – local share is \$60k– construction in 2021
- \$1.14m for the entire project – 80% Federal, 15% State and 5% OC

Mrs. Ervin:

- What is wrong with bridge – Mr. Voss answered - State inspection resulted in yellow flags a few years ago – if it gets to a red flag the State closes the bridge - needs new girders and concrete deck

A motion was made by Ms. Kuhn, seconded by Mr. Bush to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED

- d. Amending the 2021 County Budget to Pay in the First Instance 100 Percent of the Federal and State Aid Eligible Costs at a Maximum Amount of \$2,660,000 for the Construction and Construction Inspection Phase of the East Taft Road Paving Project, PIN 3756.23, and Authorizing Execution of Agreements (\$2,660,000)

Mr. Voss:

- East Taft Road paving from Northern Boulevard to Fremont Road \$2.7m – will include new drainage, guide rail, signs, and striping - construction in 2022

A motion was made by Mr. Bush, seconded by Mrs. Tassone to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED

- e. Amending the Design (Scoping I-VI) And Right-Of-Way Incidentals Phase of the Old Liverpool Road Paving Project, PIN 3756.27 by \$700,000, and Increasing the Authorization to Pay in the First Instance 100% of the Federal Aid Eligible Costs by \$560,000, Amending RES NO. 112-2016, and Authorizing the Execution of Agreements (\$560,000)

Mr. Voss:

- Design for Old Liverpool Road in the Town of Salina – 2 courses of pavement, new turn signals and new sidewalks where possible – just design, a few years out on construction
- Answered Ms. Cody’s question – sidewalks will be added where there is sufficient room

A motion was made by Mrs. Tassone, seconded by Mrs. Ervin to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED

- f. A Resolution Authorizing the Reconstruction of County Roads in and for the County of Onondaga, New York, at a Maximum Estimated Cost of \$9,375,000, and Authorizing the Issuance of \$9,375,000 Bonds of said County to Pay Costs Thereof (\$9,375,000)

Mr. Voss:

- Strong emphasis on rebuilding and preventative maintenance – looking at this year to do more work now as preventative maintenance to enhance life of roadways - maximize life of roads in case times get financially lean
- Work plan leverages State and Federal monies to get more work this year than ever before
- Two new projects utilizing new technologies - recycling and hot recycling
- State budget passed last week – will be back to Facilities Committee in May with paving lists
- Overall highway plan – last year cash cut to \$635k, anticipated CHIPS would remain flat at \$5.46m
- Total \$31m in road work for this year – preparation and paving will make it a busy year
- Still advancing trail way system to get to Murphy’s Island and make the loop connection
- Traffic Management System – now using fishbowl cameras to manipulate lights – able to fix remotely – will continue to invest in this technology – infrared camera – Electronics Parkway has them – 360 degree camera – figures out and anticipates traffic pattern
- Talking to State and City for a joint facility where all data work together so during such times as dome events and weather events – could manage from one facility
- Bridge work – Kirkville Road – will let you know timing
- Paving 13 miles of cold mix, 36 miles of hot mix, 100 miles of pavement preservation – will track how treatment holds up – if extends life of road may change future treatment
- Paving approximately 160 miles of County roads this year

Ms. Cody:

- How does this compare to last year?

Mr. Voss:

- Answered Ms. Cody’s question comparing to last year - lost time on a few projects – waiting on steel because of COVID outbreak at steel mill – lost some time with justifying essential work – little carryover from last year – couple miles of road were impacted
- Answered Ms. Kuhn’s question regarding the price of steel - no change in purchase price because they were obligated to the price that was bid
- Answered Ms. Kuhn’s question regarding how are the decisions made in regards to which roads – SMTC and consultants evaluate the roads – some growth concerns – consultant rates the roads and OC employee ride the roads and then establish priority

Mr. Knapp:

- Towns plow OC roads so they provide feedback

Mr. Voss:

- Same goes for State roads - OC provides feedback to State as well

- Seeing increasing costs because of petroleum – very competitive and vendors are booked
- Have consultants that monitor pricing across the State
- City and OC working well together to get money they need

Mr. Knapp:

- Bridge on the Loop the Lake (“LTL”) trail is stunning at night – observation deck is amazing
- Dealing with CSX never pleasant or quick – appreciate work involved to get this completed

Mr. Voss:

- Chris Rauber deserves all credit for the LTL bridge – still some landscaping – should be finished by May

Ms. Kuhn:

- People coming from all over to stand on the bridge and take photos of the eagles on Onondaga lake

Mr. Voss:

- Answering Mr. Bush’s question on timing – bridge work now – pavement plants open beginning of May so will look at starting pavement programs – roads have to be prepped – fixing ditches, sidelines – usually end of November plants shut down – would like to be finished by December 31 when temperatures drop
- 100% of paving is contracted out - 80% of bridges contracted – OC will do 1-2 box culverts per year - Fremont bridge went out to contractor because of complications with water from Butternut Creek
- Answering Mr. Bush’s question regarding secure pricing – prices locked in – petroleum prices increasing so some flexibility in pricing – competitive process with purchasing

Mr. Bush:

- Vast majority of County roads are in good shape – constituents will let you know when they are in bad shape

Mr. Voss:

- Brian set a high bar when he left – maintain and avoid future disasters with maintenance – roads are visible for everyone to see

Mrs. Ervin:

- Chance for minority to get contracts for paving – in the past there was problems with Suit-Kote

Mr. Voss:

- Answering Mrs. Ervin’s question regarding opportunities for minorities - vendors are aware of MWBE requirements and all of our bids have this requirement
- NOTED via email dated April 14, 2021 from Mr. Voss:
 - “I need to correct a misstatement I made at the Facilities Committee meeting on 4/13/2021...While all of the Department of Transportation's major federal aid and capital projects follow the respective DBE and M/WBE guidelines and goals, the local contracts for the annual paving program (hot & cold mix pavement, bituminous surface treatment) do not have M/WBE requirements”

A motion was made by Mrs. Ervin, seconded by Mr. Bush to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED

- g. A Resolution Authorizing Various Bridge Improvement Projects in and for the County of Onondaga, New York, at a Maximum Estimated Cost of \$1,200,000, and Authorizing the Issuance of \$1,200,000 Bonds of said County to Pay Costs Thereof (\$1,200,000)

Mr. Voss:

- This resolution if for the Bridge bonding

A motion was made by Mrs. Tassone, seconded by Mr. Bush to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED

h. Authorizing the Acquisition of a Permanent Easement for Highway Purposes Along West Genesee Street in the Town of Camillus, County of Onondaga

Mr. Voss:

- Easement on old Route 5 in Warners – from Town of Geddes through Fairmont to Milton – construction 2021 – will be back in May for project adjustments
- Legal arrangement between developer of parcel where Atlas Fitness was – was thinking about a bridge years ago – neighbors complained so no bridge
- Resolution allows OC to take over small piece of land where traffic light will go
- Started in 2013 – trying to get it finished this year – utility work has slowed the project down
- Dollar amount changed because of old road and location of utilities – will be back in May with project changes
- Answered Ms. Kuhn’s question regarding light location – West Genesee at new Chase bank is going

A motion was made by Mr. Bush, seconded by Mrs. Ervin to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 11:19 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



MELANIE VILARDI, Deputy Clerk
Onondaga County Legislature

ATTENDANCE

COMMITTEE: COUNTY FACILITIES COMMITTEE

DATE: APRIL 13, 2021

NAME (Please Print)	DEPARTMENT/AGENCY
MARY VOSS	OCDOT
DEAN DYER	OCDOT
Chris Rauter	OCDOT
Yvette Velasco	LAW
Bria Dondy	
Steve Murga	