

PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
July 10, 2023

The Public Works & Transportation Committee of the Broome County Legislature met on Monday, July 10, 2023 in the Legislative Conference Room.

Members Present: M. Pasquale (Chair), S. Baker, G. Baldwin, M. Hilderbrant, B. Weslar.

Members Absent: None

Others Present: D.J. Reynolds, S. Ryan, J. Scott, C. Hall, A. Martin Legislature; J. Garnar, C. Wagner, C. Whalen, Executive, P. Dewing, OES; G. Kilmer, Public Transit; B. Norris, Security; R. Brown, S. Mastin, Public Works; M. Heefner, Aviation; V. Gialanella, Resident.

The Public Works & Transportation Committee meeting was called to order by the Chair at 4:15 PM. Mr. Baldwin made a motion to move the agenda, seconded by Mr. Baker.

The Committee took the following action with regard to the matters before it:

#7 [RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PERSONNEL CHANGE REQUEST OR THE DEPARTMENT OF AVIATION](#)

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#21 [RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF TRIANGLE FOR THE CONTROL OF SNOW AND ICE ON COUNTY ROADS AND HIGHWAYS FOR 2023](#)

Responding to a question from Mr. Hilderbrant, Mr. Garnar stated that this is close to the highest the County will pay the Town of Triangle for snow removal before it makes more financial sense to hire additional County staff to do it. Responding to a question from Mr. Weslar, Mr. Garnar stated that the last increase for this was last fall.

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#22 [RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH MCFARLAND JOHNSON INC FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF AVIATION FOR 2022-2023](#)

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#23 [RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH MCFARLAND JOHNSON INC. FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF AVIATION FOR 2021-2022](#)

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#24 [RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE TERMINAL REHABILITATION PROJECT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF AVIATION](#)

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#25 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE TRANSPORTATION SECURITY ADMINISTRATION FOR LEASE OF SPACE AT THE GREATER BINGHAMTON AIRPORT FOR 2023-2028

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#26 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PERMANENT EASEMENTS BY FEE TAKING AND/OR EMINENT DOMAIN FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS' TRACY CREEK ROAD CULVERT RECONSTRUCTION, OLD ROUTE 17 CULVERT RECONSTRUCTION AND GLENWOOD ROAD BRIDGE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Responding to a question from Mr. Hilderbrant, Mr. Brown stated that these are three different projects in which space is needed to complete them. Mr. Brown stated they typically do a temporary easement, but he wants to purchase the land instead so they can use the land to maintain the bridges without needing more temporary easements.

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#27 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2023 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Responding to a question from Mr. Weslar, Mr. Brown stated that this is to add State funds.

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#33 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ACCELERATED TRANSIT CAPITAL FUNDS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION FOR 2023-2026

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#34 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION MODERNIZATION AND ENHANCEMENTS FUNDS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION FOR 2023-2026

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#36 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF AN AGREEMENT WITH VOLAIRE AVIATION CONSULTING FOR PROFESSIONAL AIR SERVICE CONSULTANT SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING FUNDING FROM THE MARKETING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ALLOCATION OF THE OCCUPANCY TAX FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF AVIATION FOR 2023-2024

Responding to a question from Mr. Weslar, Mr. Heefner stated that they are satisfied with the work Volaire has done.

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#37 RESOLUTION ADOPTING LOCAL LAW INTRO. NO. 3 OF 2023, ENTITLED: "A LOCAL LAW AMENDING THE BROOME COUNTY CHARTER AND CODE TO CREATE THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND YOUTH SERVICES AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Responding to a question from Mr. Weslar, Mr. Brown stated that this will not affect how the Departments work together, like shifting seasonal workers into different positions during the winter. Responding to a question from Ms. Ryan, Mr. Garnar stated that they are only splitting the current Department into two separate Departments with no change in staffing planned.

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

Mr. Hilderbrant made a motion, seconded by Mr. Baker, to approve the General Civil Services Term Contract short list of Clark, Patterson, Lee, Delta Engineers, Architects & Surveyors, HUNT Engineers, Architects, Land Surveyors and Fisher Associates.
Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

Following the discussions, the committee went at ease in order for the Committee to undertake the consultant interviews for the DPW Structural Engineering Term Contract.

The Committee reconvened following the consultant interviews. After discussion, Mr. Weslar made a motion, seconded by Mr. Baker, to select McFarland Johnson and Delta Engineers, Architects & Surveyors for the DPW Structural Engineering Term Contract and rank the firms as follows:

DPW Environmental Testing Term Contract

1. McFarland Johnson
 2. Delta Engineers, Architects & Surveyors
 3. HUNT Engineers, Architects, Land Surveyors
- Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

There being no further business to come before the Committee at this time, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Mr. Weslar. The meeting adjourned at 5:27 PM.