

## Public Works and Capital Projects Committee Meeting Minutes

**DATE & TIME:** November 1, 2018 – 6:00 PM  
**LOCATION:** COB, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, K. L. Binder Library  
**PRESIDING OFFICER:** Chairman Dean Fabiano  
**LEGISLATIVE STAFF:** Nettie Tomshaw  
**PRESENT:** Legislators Litts, Nolan  
**ABSENT:** Legislators Greene, Roberts  
**QUORUM PRESENT:** Yes

**OTHER ATTENDEES:** Legislator Hector Rodriguez, DPW Commissioner Thomas Jackson, Deputy County Executive Marc Rider, DPW Deputy Commissioner Finance Don Quesnell

Chairman Fabiano called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Chairman Fabiano called upon Commissioner Jackson who provided an overview of the 2019-2024 Capital Improvement Program as part and parcel to the 2019 Ulster County budget.

- On target with 2018 \$30 million operating DPW budget
- \$37.8 million 2019 Capital Projects budget
- 189 employee workforce – all divisions
- Organizational change, management team - Don Quesnell (present), Bob Buser Deputy Comm. Buildings & Grounds Maintenance & Ron Suits Deputy Comm. Buildings & Grounds Capital Projects, Kim Mullins Deputy Comm. Central Auto Fleet, Joe Whittaker Highway & Bridges Field Operations Coordinator
- No real highlights – in line with the 2018 operations budget
- Operational wise - focus more attention on preventative maintenance on roads and bridges
- \$11.2 million Ashokan Rail Trail for 2019 (includes \$5 million for bridge)– 11.6 miles construction ongoing
- Frost Valley - work winding down
- Family Court – some work left to do
- Restorative Justice carryover
- Town of Ulster Fire training center \$3.134 million - start Spring 2019, projected completion in 2020, 12-18 month construction project (all three areas \$4.551 million)
- Poor House Memorial – in house work
- Veterans Cemetery- in house work
- Reduction in sustainability, HVAC, boilers, weatherization, Flex-tech study
- Solar car ports – provide shade to cars in summer, easier to plow
- BRC pervious pavement - approx. 30% increase cost and decrease longevity

- Overtime pay vs. adding positions, cost - Buildings and Grounds
  - Don Q. to provide what DPW projects plan to spend on new equipment, auction old, and cost breakdown of supplies, maintenance trends, capital projects in house.
  - 3 Categories to include in the bid process a) conserve energy, b) put in renewable energy, c) or build in some kind of resilience feature. Legislative committee members Greene and Nolan request to apply these three basic concepts for each bid.
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### **Adjournment**

Chairman Fabiano asked if there was any other business, and hearing none;

**Motion Made By:** Legislator Litts

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Nolan

**No. of Votes in Favor:** 3

**No. of Votes Against:** 0

**TIME:** 6:45 PM

Respectfully submitted: Nettie Tomshaw, Legislative Staff

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