

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS ADVISORY MEETING
April 8, 2025

MEMBERS Attending: Chairman - Todd Swanson, Troy Winkleman, and Dennis Lutes

OTHERS: Andrew Thompson, Erin Schuster

MINUTES: Approval of the 11 March meeting minutes was tabled until the May meeting, as we did not have a quorum. The following is abbreviated notes of the update provided by Andrew and Erin.

OLD BUSINESS:

Andrew provided an update of on-going, and past projects, as well as the activities of the Village DPW departments. Regarding the future work at the WPCF. Andrew noted they are still waiting to hear on the EDA grant application.

Andrew updated information on Electric Dept. projects. Andrew indicated he was expecting to advertise any day. Andrew did not have an update on the NYSERDA grants for the study by PSE for a 2nd primary feeder to the Village and the grant for SCADA funding has been submitted.

Relative to future water projects on the Water System Master Plan and support by MRB, Andrew advised that he is still weighing alternatives.

Andrew indicated no change on the manhole replacement project at Growers. Cleanup and restoration work by Kingview remains to be done. Andrew indicated that changes have been addressed.

The CGR report and recommendations is still a topic Andrew wants to address. We will discuss key recommendations in the future.

Regarding the Drinking Water Source Protection Plan, there is no change. Pursuing a buffer zone easement on the property west of the reservoir is proceeding. The next stake holder meeting with Sarah Swinko, Southern Tier West is waiting on guidance from the State.

No change regarding the Welch building special use permit, the developer continues to look into potential grant funding, possibly to include expenses of the Village for the necessary electrical changes.

Dennis Lutes noted that the next step is the design for the pool rehab project. Advertisement for the design has been issued. The proposed schedule would have the design complete so a contract can be awarded to have work done after this summer and completed by the start of summer 2026.

Andrew discussed the DEED program which would allow monitoring the power usage to include voltage, current, etc. He noted the grant contract was signed and he hoped to have the Smart Cable Sensors installed soon after Easter.

For the Electrical Engineering support agreements with Ferguson, Andrew indicated he had issued the first task to perform breaker maintenance at the English St. substation.

Regarding lighting in Moore Park, Andrew the lighting fixtures would be similar to the street lighting. He also noted that Don McCord was seeking grant funding for the rest of the project cost.

Regarding the emergency repair of the main waterline on N. Portage, St. George Enterprises was begin the boring for the new line on the 17th.

REVIEW OF DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Public Works – Holt St. water service connections continues.

Electric Dept. – New service poles and conductors on N. Portage from the Thruway to Rte. 5.

Water Dept. – Operations and fire hydrant flushing.

Sewer Dept. – Operations.

NEW BUSINESS/OPEN DISCUSSION:

- Dennis noted that Blake Maras would be the new Village Trustee on the Advisory Board beginning in May. Discussed the board holding at 5 members with resignation of John Poshka and Doug Sanderson. Dennis would still attend periodically.
- Dennis noted the Village was awarded a new grant for Revitalization NY and also summarized other current grants received by the Village.

No need to adjourn, not a formal meeting!

The next Advisory Board meeting was scheduled for 13 May 2025, at 6:30.