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Department of Public Works
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Gary Hammond, P.E. Commissioner **Justin Ruggiero, P.E.** Deputy Commissioner

TIOGA COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MINUTES
October 8, 2026
9:00 am

- ATTENDANCE
  - Legislators
    - Tracy Monell, Legislative Chair
    - David Cantella, Public Works Committee Chair
    - William Standinger, Public Works Committee
    - Jo Ellen Rose, Public Works Committee
    - Ray Bunce, Public Works Committee
  - Staff
    - Gary Hammond, Commissioner
    - Justin Ruggiero, Deputy Commissioner
    - Tammy Hummel, Secretary to the Commissioner
  - Guests
    - Jackson Bailey, County Administrator
    - Cathy Haskell, Legislative Clerk
    - Peter DeWind, Esq., County Attorney
  - Absent
    - Jason Anderson, Project Technician

- APPROVAL OF MINUTES
  - A motion was made by Ray Bunce to approve the minutes as submitted for September 10th, 2026, meeting. The motion was seconded by William Standinger. All in favor. Motion carried.

- FINANCIAL
  - YTD Budget Summary was shared with the committee.

- OLD BUSINESS
  - None

- NEW BUSINESS
  - Mr. Hammond reported on Buildings and Grounds.

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- Three hanging gas furnaces were installed in the Public Safety Building garages.
- The roofs were patched at Support & Collection and H.H.S.
- A new wall was built in the IT Storage room to protect the electrical panels.
- The AC/Heat unit filters at 56 Main Street were cleaned.
- Outstanding issues were resolved in the pods at the jail.
- Workstations were moved for Probation.
- Mowing and weeding operations were performed at the county buildings.

➢ Mr. Hammond reported on the Highway Department.
- Patch paving has been performed on Halsey Valley Rd., Sabin Rd., Dean Creek Rd., and Corporate Drive.
- Soft spots were repaired on Straits Corners Road.
- Wash outs and low spots were fixed on Glen Road and Ellis Creek Road.
- Driveway pipes were installed on Halsey Valley Rd. and Glenmary Drive in preparation for next year's paving.
- Ditches were cleaned on Glenmary Drive
- Guiderail rail repairs were done on River Road.
- Shoulder work was performed in conjunction with the towns.
- Millings from Straits Corners were hauled back to the shop.
- Signs have been repaired/replaced across the county.
- Mowing operations on the county roads continue.

➢ Capital Projects
  ➢ Mr. Hammond reported on Buildings and Grounds Capital Projects.
    - The Courthouse and Court Annex roof project started on Monday, September 29th, 2026, without any issues and is ongoing.
    - Construction activities within Delphine Street are being executed. The Roof project is nearing completion, and mechanical work is being performed. NYSEG will be changing out the meter that will allow for increased flow to power the pressure washers.
    - The Ronald E. Dougherty County Office Building North Wing HVAC upgrade project is still ongoing with punch list items being finalized.

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- The Public Safety Building boiler upgrade project bid opening was Friday, October 2nd, 2026. Frey and Campbell, Inc. won the low bid submitted to the Public Works Committee.
- A large Public Safety Building control work project is being built with Delta.
- The building at 67 Central Ave. demolition project walkthrough was on Thursday, October 1st, 2026. The bid opening is Friday, October 16th, 2026.

➢ Mr. Hammond reported on Highway Capital Projects.
- The Glenmary Drive over Thorn Hollow Creek Bridge replacement project is expected to be executed in the 2027 construction season.
- The Day Hollow Road Culvert bid opening is scheduled for Thursday, October 15th, 2026.
- The Brown Road Bridge over East Branch Owego Creek is in the final design phase.
- Straits Corners Road over Pipe Creek is in the preliminary design phase.
- The Halsey Valley Road Culvert is in preliminary design phase and has been rescheduled to the 2028 construction season.

➢ Mr. Hammond shared updated data on the Salt Shed Grant application
  ➢ The current WQIP grant status for the salt shed project is "currently selected" with potential "authorized" status to be revealed during this upcoming winter.

- MISCELLANEOUS
  ➢ There was a discussion regarding the implementation of the Emergency Procurement Policy.
  ➢ There was a discussion of the Tandem truck purchases for 2026.

- PERSONNEL
  ➢ None

- RESOLUTIONS
  ➢ Requesting Tioga County Department of Public Works be Allowed to Exceed Food & Beverage Purchase Guidelines

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- Ray Bunce (aye), Jo Ellen Rose (aye), William Standinger (aye), David Cantella (aye)

➢ Amend Resolution 303-26; Award Contract to Martin Plumbing and Heating
- Ray Bunce (aye, Jo Ellen Rose (aye), William Standinger (aye), David Cantella (aye)

➢ Award Contract to Robert Green Auto & Truck, Inc. for Truck Platform Installation
- Ray Bunce (aye), Jo Ellen Rose (aye), William Standinger (aye), David Cantella (aye)

➢ Award Contract to Frey & Campbell, Inc. to Perform Public Safety Building Boiler Upgrades
- Ray Bunce (aye), Jo Ellen Rose (aye), William Standinger (aye), David Cantella (aye)

➢ Authorize Payment to Postler and Jaeckle for Completed Emergency Repairs to the Court Annex Rooftop Air Handling Unit
- Ray Bunce (aye), Jo Ellen Rose (aye), William Standinger (aye), David Cantella (aye)

- PROCLAMATIONS
  - ➢ None

- ADJOURNMENT
  - ➢ A motion to adjourn was made by Ray Bunce and seconded by William Standinger. The meeting was adjourned at 9:45am.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Hammond, P.E.
Commissioner of Public Works