

CITY OF OGDENSBURG, NEW YORK

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Office of the City Manager

MEMORANDUM

MEMO TO: City Council
FROM: Sarah Purdy, City Manager *SP*
DATE: August 25, 2016
SUBJECT: Update 16/32

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS UPDATES –

Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP) Update

- The Primary that was taken down has been repaired and put back on line. The second Primary Tank is being emptied and will go through the same maintenance as the first tank.
- The larger of our two digesters has been brought back on line. We are pressing sludge from the secondary digester again. Our digesters are back to “Normal” operation and up to temperature, but we still have significant opportunities to address. GHD will perform an operational evaluation as it relates to the entire plant, but we may have a third party come to assist with current opportunities.
- We started taking down one of the two aeration lagoons two weeks ago. We uncovered significant issues when the lagoon was emptied. We are cleaning and evaluating on how best to move forward with the repairs. We are soliciting assistance from the manufacturer to determine the list of materials needed to facilitate the needed repairs.
- We are working closely with DANC to determine our staffing needs. With the uncertainty of knowing the future rating of our plant, we are trying to formulate how best to move forward. We are trying to address the information voids that have been created in the past by cross training our entire staff.
- We are taking a serious look at the sewer budget so that we can position ourselves properly at the WWTP and so that we can evaluate our collection system.

Water Filtration Plant Update

- All the filters have received a thorough cleaning. We will start performing cleaning every other week on September 16th.

Equipment

- Truck # 332 – 1991 International – Red Tagged for broken main frame. Truck is not legal to operate under any conditions. We will keep it for a while to use for parts before we salvage it.

Road Cuts

- Local hot mix is limited with Hanson supporting airport project, but we continue to move forward when asphalt is available.

Paving / Milling / Streets

- We are working hard on Main Street so that we can pave next week.
- We are trying to identify and address sign issues. Replacing worn and missing signs.

Sidewalks

- Unit 7 continues to work every day on sidewalk projects.

Unit "6"

- Has been digging every day.
- Working on manhole and drop repairs.
- Performing water and sewer services as they arise.
- We assisted the Village of Waddington with two water main breaks last Wednesday. They will be billed approximately \$2,700 for time and materials.

Brush Pickup

- Fourth Ward was successfully completed on Tuesday.

Paterson St

- Punch List work is moving forward slowly.
- NYS DOT drainage near Burger King is in final design. We should see the work started around Labor Day.

Solar Array

- The electrical work is proceeding. Panels are being interconnected.
- Partial energization is scheduled for no later than September 30th, with full energization taking place by November 30th.
- We are starting some site preparation for a possible second phase of solar.
- We continue to move forward with the Tri-County Energy Consortium. The consortium is in the process of looking at wind power as well as solar, which could get us to our goal of 100% green energy sooner than originally projected.

Storm Drops / Cleaning Sewer Mains

- Crew is working on cleaning drops.

Mowing / Trimming

- Summer help will be leaving starting next week with all help gone by the 26th. Trying to hit sites one last time before they depart.

MISC.

- EAB – no new information.
- DPW Roof project was completed yesterday. Tisdell will review final inspection and approve payment.
- Summer help started the painting of hydrants to identify flow rates.

PARKS AND RECREATION UPDATES - Please find attached a memo from Matt Curatolo regarding the Elsa Luksich Pool.

PLANNING UPDATES – Please find attached a memo from Andrea Smith with updates from the Planning Department.

NYS OFFICE OF REAL PROPERTY TAX SERVICE – Please find attached a copy of the final State equalization rate for the City of Ogdensburg.



St. Lawrence County Emerald Ash Borer Task Force



Chair:	Paul Hetzler, SLC CCE	315-379-9192	ph59@cornell.edu
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Secretary:	John Tenbusch, SLC Planning	315-379-2292	jtenbusch@stlawco.org

Meeting Report

Meeting #6 / July 20, 2016

SLC Courthouse Basement Conference Room

The meeting was called to order by P. Hetzler at 9:05 AM. Agendas were distributed. A report of the previous meeting had been distributed; no comments or changes were proposed.

In attendance: Matt Brown, SLC S&WCD; Larry Denesha, SLC Board of Legislators; John Gwozdz, NYPA; Paul Hetzler, Cornell Cooperative Extension – St. Lawrence County; Bill Romey, SUNY Potsdam; Steven Sherwood, DEC – Potsdam office; John Tenbusch, SLC Planning/Environmental Management Council; Scott Thornhill, Ogdensburg DPW.

Report on Presentation to BOL. Tenbusch reported on the presentation he gave at the BOL Operation Committee meeting on July 18th. See attached presentation handout; it reported on information obtained on the field trip to Onondaga Co. EAB Task Force.

Tenbusch and Denesha reported that BOL members are becoming more aware of EABs, of the potential liability to be incurred when EAB reaches St. Lawrence County. Tenbusch reported that several BOL members indicated that an inventory of the County's ash tree resource should be conducted.

There was considerable discussion at this point. *The consensus of the group was that an action plan should be developed, to help the Task Force focus on next steps.* As well, Tenbusch volunteered to *draft a resolution for the BOL that would authorize the Task Force to work on behalf of the County on EAB-related issues/projects.*

Campgrounds in St. Lawrence County. The group reviewed the list of campgrounds in the County. Those who had delivered materials reported on their activities. **See attached.**

- Hetzler has or will take materials to Higley Flow; Catamount Lodge; Cranberry Lake SF.
- Gwozdz will take materials to Massena-area campgrounds.
- S. Rau had previously reported taking materials to Lisbon Town Beach; Norfolk/Raquette River Campsite; Hillside Motel and Campground; Massena Int'l Campground; Jellybeans Riverside Campground.
- Romey will take materials to Clear Pond; Blake/McNeil Campsite.
- Tenbusch will check with B. Baker about delivering materials to campgrounds around Black Lake.

Board of Legislators.

- Larry Denesha has spoken about EABs to Town Councils in Clifton, DeKalb, Fine, Hermon, Russell. He reported that the Gouverneur Tribune – Press has printed an article on the topic. He volunteered to take materials to the boat inspection station near the J&L site.
- J. Tenbusch distributed copies of the handout that he presented to the BOL on July 18th. **See attached.**

Report on ReLeaf Conference, Saratoga Springs, July 15th. S. Sherwood, M. Brown and J. Tenbusch reported on their trip to the ReLeaf conference. There was much information available; it was good to talk with people from other parts of the State about their local problems and programs.

- L. Denesha reported that the Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board (APLGRB) has discussed the issues presented by EAB and other invasive insects (Asian Long-Horned Beetle, Hemlock Woody Adelgid).
- There was brief discussion about whether this Task Force should broaden its focus to include other invasive insects. Arguments for broadening the focus included the ability to bring attention to other current or soon-to-arrive pests. Arguments against broadening the focus included the desire to maintain attention on EAB until we can develop a workable/working management strategy. It was felt that a successful management strategy can be adapted to address other potential pests. No action was taken on the suggestion.

Report on Wellesley Island Training Session on EAB, July 15th. P. Hetzler reported that he and B. Baker had attended this training session.

- Mark Whitmore, of Cornell University, had provided the keynote presentation; highlights from his presentation included:
 - In some cases, the best treatment may be removal of infested ash trees;
 - It may be feasible to extend the timeframe for treatment of ash trees (inoculation of insecticide) to a five-year schedule, by treating 20% of trees per year. There seems to be a greater-than-previously expected “community immunity” against EAB infestation. By extending the inoculation period, treatment costs can be reduced significantly.
- Other topics covered at the training session included:
 - A description of training for **I-Map Invasives** application for the Web, tablets or smart-phones (see <https://sites.google.com/site/nyimapinvasives/>)
 - Hetzler commented on the spread of EAB in Canada along the St. Lawrence River. He noted that he travelled from the bridge at Wellesley Island to the Ogdensburg-Prescott Bridge along the Canadian shore; he saw evidence of extensive EAB damage in the tree canopy. Hetzler suggested that it may be useful/possible to view EAB damage on the American shoreline from a boat in the St. Lawrence River.

- Hetzler suggested that any ash trees that get girdled/killed to serve as “sentinel trees” should be healthy and “Juicy” (his word) in order to best attract EAB. Often, a tree gets girdled after it has been observed to be damaged or in distress. These conditions may make the tree less attractive to EABs.
- Steve Sherwood asked if there is an effort in Jefferson County to address EABs. M. Brown suggested that Mike Lumbis may be working on a management plan (Planning Director, City of Watertown; 315-785-7734; mlumbis@watertown-ny.gov)
- Hetzler suggested that it may be useful to increase fines for moving firewood more than 50 miles from its source; this might increase deterrence.

Development of an Action Plan. There was discussion about the need to develop an Action Plan to guide this Task Force’s activities. S. Thornhill suggested that Task Force members make suggestions for ideas, goals, etc. These can be compiled before the next Task Force meeting.

Other Business:

- J. Gwozdz asked if there is any LIDAR imagery available. He thought that this side-looking imagery might be helpful to detect EAB damage in the tree canopy. He suggested that communities might get together to pay for a fly-over in order to get current imagery.
 - Tenbusch thought that LIDAR imagery was available. He will check with those who use County GIS; they would know about current status of imagery.
- S. Sherwood reported that there will be a display about EAB at the County Fair.
- Tenbusch will make arrangements for the Task Force to have a display table at the Local Government Conference (to be held October 11th at SUNY Potsdam; approx. 400 local govt. officials from the six-county North Country region attend).

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 AM.

Next meeting will be held Wednesday, September 21st at 9:00 AM in the basement conference room in the Courthouse.

Meeting report prepared by John Tenbusch

Campgrounds in St. Lawrence Co.: Locations, Contact Information

SLC EAB TF Member	Town	Campground	Physical Address	Town	Phone	Contact	
S. Rau	Brasher	Jelly Bean Riverside Campgrounds	1 St. Regis Street	Brasher Falls NY 13613	315-389-4771/848	Denny & Rose-Marie Burnham	
P. Hetzler	Clifton	Cranberry Lake State Campground	243 Lone Pine Rd	Cranberry Lake NY 12927	315-848-2315	DEC 315-265-3090	
P. Hetzler		Cranberry Lake Wild Forest	NYS Highway 3	Cranberry Lake NY 12927		DEC 315-265-3090	
		Campers Village Campground	7036 SH 3	Cranberry Lake NY 12927	315-848-2501		
P. Hetzler	Colton	Carry Falls / Parmenter Campsite	Off Rt 56	South Colton NY 13687	315-262-2240/2640		
P. Hetzler		Catamount Lodge	2092 SH 56	South Colton NY 13687	315-262-2255	Ruth & Joe McWilliams	
P. Hetzler		Higley Flow State Park	442 Cold Brook Drive	Colton NY 13625	315-262-2880/2640	DEC 315-265-3090	
	Edwards	Wolf Lake State Forest				DEC 315-265-3090	
	Fine	Aldrich Pond Wild Forest				DEC 315-265-3090	
		High Falls				DEC 315-265-3090	
		Streeter Lake	SR 3, Oswegatchie-Newton Falls Rd (CR 60)				DEC 315-265-3090
		Gouverneur	Yellow Lake Campsite	210 Yellow Lake Rd	Gouverneur NY 13642	315-287-3473	
B. Baker	Hammond	Back Bay Campground & Cottages	302 Chapman Point Rd	Hammond NY 13646	315-324-5612	315-486-5502	
B. Baker		Chapman's Knotty Pine Resort	2420 CR 6	Hammond NY 13646	315-324-5265		
B. Baker		Cedar Island State Park	CR 93	Hammond NY 13646	315-482-3331/654	DEC 315-265-3090	
B. Baker		Mann's Bird Nest Campsite	3005 CR 6	Hammond NY 13646	315-375-6380		
B. Baker		Midway Campsites	3296B CR 6	Hammond NY 13646	315-375-4495		
B. Baker		Pleasant View Campgrounds	2626 CR 6	Hammond NY 13646	315-375-6736		
B. Baker		Shady Lane Camp	116 Champman Point Rd	Hammond NY 13646	315-324-5217		
B. Baker		Thomas Farms Campsites	2592 CR 6	Hammond NY 13646	315-375-6627		
	Hopkinton	Lydia's Place	260 Lake Ozonia Rd	Hopkinton NY 12980	315-261-2559/315-328-4330		
S. Rau	Lisbon	Lisbon Town Beach	9975 SH 37	Ogdensburg NY 13669	315-393-5374/6371		
		Houmiel's Campsite	SR 37 RD 1	Ogdensburg NY 13669	315-393-4936/0603		
		St. Lawrence Experience Trailer Park	10820 SH 37, Lisbon	Waddington NY 13694	315-244-8233/256	Joe or Trina	
B. Baker	Macomb	Dashnaw's Camp Wildwood	193 Mitchell Rd	Heuvelton NY 13654	315-578-2302/276	Dennis & Kelly Forsyth	
S. Rau	Massena	Hillside Campground	15 Smith Rd	Massena NY 13662	315-769-5403		
S. Rau		Massena International Campground	84 CR 42 Ext	Massena NY 13662	813-713-5549/315	Brenda Hammitt	
J. Gwozdz		Robert Moses State Park	32 Beach Marina Rd	Massena NY 13662	315-769-8663	DEC 315-265-3090	
	Morristown	Jacques Cartier State Park	Route 12	Morristown NY 13664	315-375-6371	DEC 315-265-3090	
B. Baker	Hammond/	Bird's Nest Campground	2989 CR 6	Hammond NY 13646	315-375-8524		
D. O'Shea	Morristown /	Blevins Campsite	104 River Lane	Ogdensburg NY 13669	315-393-4484		
B. Baker	Oswegatchie	Boo's 1000 Island Campground	4707 SH 37	Ogdensburg NY 13669	315-394-0134		
B. Baker		Camp Carol Camps	4014 CR 6	Hammond NY 13646	315-375-6637	Ann & Bob Showers	
B. Baker		Indian Head Point	2580 CR 6	Hammond NY 13646	315-375-8257		
B. Baker		Massaouapi Cabins & Camps	2380 CR 6	Hammond NY 13646	315-324-5524	John Kennedy	

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B. Baker		McLear's Campgrounds	2477 CR 6	Hammond NY 13646	315-375-6508	
B. Baker		North Country Cottages and	2628 CR 6	Hammond NY 13646	315-375-4671	
B. Baker		Rogers Old Oak Campgrounds	Black Lake Rd	Hammond NY 13646	315-771-9032/324-	Dean & Cherie Rogers
B. Baker		Sandy Cove Camps	Black Lake Rd	Morristown NY 13664	315-375-8864/6643	
B. Baker		The Log Cabins	3114A CR 6	Hammond NY 13646	315-375-6691/528-	Jeanine & Ali Atieh
D. O'Shea	Oswegatchie	Eel Weir State Park	SH 812	Ogdensburg NY 13669	315-393-1138	DEC 315-265-3090
B. Romey	Parishville	Clear Pond Campsite	Clear Pond Road	Parishville NY 13672		DEC 315-265-3090
B. Romey		Blake McNeil Campsite	20 Pike St	South Colton NY 13687	315-262-2640	
B. Romey		McNeil Campsite	528 Raquette River Rd	Parishville NY 13672	315-262-2640	
	Piercefield	Bog River / Hitchens Pond / Lows Lake	Route 421	Piercefield NY 12973	518-359-3328	
		Horseshoe Lake	SR 30			DEC 315-265-3090
		Massawepie Easement			315-654-2522	DEC 315-265-3090
	Russell	Grasse River / Downerville Wild Forest				DEC 315-265-3090
	Stockholm	St. Regis Campground	548 Old Market Road	Potsdam NY 13676	315-265-4145/389-4664	
J. Tenbusch	Waddington	Coles Creek State Park	1303 SH 37	Waddington NY 13694	315-482-3331/388-	DEC 315-265-3090



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Presentation to Board of Legislators Operations Committee July 18, 2016

The St. Lawrence County Emerald Ash Borer Task Force was formed in January 2016 when Paul Hetzler, Horticulture & Natural Resources Educator with Cornell Cooperative Extension, invited interested persons to a meeting to discuss the eventual arrival of the EAB in our County, and the costs and liabilities that will be faced by local governments and landowners when this invasive beetle kills all of the ash trees in the County.

The Task Force has met monthly since January, made presentations to several local governments, developed a list of Highly Probable Areas that are likely to see EABs first, put together and delivered educational materials to over 50 campgrounds across the County, etc. A presentation was made to the BOL in May, to acquaint Legislators with the emergence of the problem.

Since that time, six members of the Task Force traveled to Syracuse to meet with staff of the Onondaga County EAB Task Force. Their description of how they began to plan for EAB, and how they are dealing with EAB infestation, was sobering and instructive. On the advice of Mr. Denesha, the SLC Task Force seeks to provide this information to the BOL.

In Onondaga County, the BOL authorized establishment of an EAB Task Force in 2012. A small allocation was put into the County budget to support that TF. The OC Task Force recommended that the County conduct an inventory of ash trees on County-owned property.

The inventory covered 8,000 acres of County-owned land and approx. 800 miles of ROW along County-owned roads. The inventory indicated the presence of over 45,000 ash trees that were likely to cause liability concerns if they became infested/died and ultimately suffered catastrophic collapse.

The management strategy developed for Onondaga County included the plan to cut down 95% of the ash trees on County land over a ten-year period, and to inoculate the remaining trees for a period of 25 years. The projected cost was well over \$10 million.

By comparison, in St. Lawrence County:

- The County owns or manages over 495,000 acres of land.
- Of that total, approximately 1% (4,900 acres) is not specifically named as forestland.
- Among these parcels, 94 acres are classified as Residential; 171 acres as Vacant; 37 acres as Commercial Services; 220 acres as Industrial; 398 acres as Public Service; and 4,060 acres as parks and forests.
- In addition, the County maintains 1,142 miles of ROW (per SLC Highway Dept).

City of Ogdensburg
Parks & Recreation Department
Director: Matthew J. Curatolo
100 Riverside Ave.
Ogdensburg, N.Y., 13669



MEMORANDUM

TO: Sarah Purdy, City Manager
FROM: Director
CC: Coralee Barrett,
DATE: 8/23/2016
SUBJECT: Pool Inspection & Final Numbers

The Elsa M. Luksich Municipal Pool was inspected by the NYS Department of Health's Ward Remington on Aug. 17, 2016. He reported NO major violations and pointed out two minor issues – some peeling paint in a locker room and some rust at the base of the slide - that we will take care of next spring before the pool opens. I have attached the DOH reports for your review.

The pool closed for the summer on Aug. 20 after opening on June 18. The pool saw a total of 5,917 people of all ages walk through the doors with another 514 using children's or family passes. According to our records, the pool saw a total of \$4,297 in revenues for 2016.

I would like to thank Matt Denner Sr., Ronald Spears and Zach Barr for keeping the pool in outstanding working order. I would also like to state that our 26 lifeguards, who are college and high school students, did another wonderful job of providing a safe environment for the public at large and running our various pool programs such as swimming lessons, infant-toddler swim and early bird swim.

Staff is currently working on preparing the pool for the upcoming winter months.

New York State Department of Health
Canton District Office
58 Gouverneur Street , Canton, NY 13617-3200
(315) 386 - 1040
cado@health.ny.gov

Swimming Pool Inspection -- Summary Report

Operation: Ogdensburg Municipal Pool (ID: 324490)
Facility Name: Ogdensburg Municipal Pool
Facility Code: 44-0267
Facility Address: Isabella Street Ogdensburg, NY 13669

To the Attention of:
Matthew J Curatolo City of Ogdensburg
Riverside Avenue
Ogdensburg , NY 13669-

Inspection

Date: AUG 17, 2016 12:10 PM
Inspector: Ward Remington (ward.remington@health.ny.gov)
Responsible Person: Matthew Denner
(email:

Summary

Number of public health hazards found: 0
Number of public health hazards NOT corrected: 0
Number of other violations found: 2

Each item found in violation is reported below along with the code requirement.

GENERAL

ITEM # 50 WAS FOUND IN VIOLATION 1 TIME(s).

All or parts of the violation item are IN violation.

Code Requirements

Bathhouse/Tollet Facilities Adequate, Clean, Ventilated, Warm Water, Soap, Hand Drying Facilities Provided, Refuse Storage, Disposal [6-1.14, 6-1.15]

Inspector Findings

Paint on black wall in boys changing room is peeling, chipped in several locations.

POOL OPERATION, MAINTENANCE & SUPERVISION

ITEM # 28 WAS FOUND IN VIOLATION 1 TIME(s).

All or parts of the violation item are IN violation.

Code Requirements

Equipment/Appurtenances Maintained, Ladders/Steps Provided, Structural Defects Absent [6-1.10(b), (c), (k)]

Inspector Findings

Steel supports for the slide at the pool are rusted in several locations.

Additional Information Collected During Inspection

Pool/Spa water temperature - 80 degrees Fahrenheit; Flow meter reading (gpm) - 3200; Free chlorine/bromine - 1.93 mg/L; PH - 7.7; Total alkalinity - 101 mg/L; Calcium hardness - 106 mg/L; Supervision level - IIa; Temporary Residence/Campground - No; Homeowner exemption - No;

Comments

Saturation Index calculated to be -0.1 which is within the acceptable limits.

END of REPORT

[Submit# 227383] Ogdensburg Municipal Pool (ID 324490) Inspection# 1001864215

New York State Department of Health
Canton District Office
58 Gouverneur Street , Canton, NY 13617-3200
(315) 386 - 1040
cado@health.ny.gov

Swimming Pool Inspection -- Summary Report

Operation: Ogdensburg Municipal Wading Pool (ID: 534043)
Facility Name: Ogdensburg Municipal Pool
Facility Code: 44-0267
Facility Address: Isabella Street Ogdensburg, NY 13669

To the Attention of:
Matthew J Curatolo City of Ogdensburg
Riverside Avenue
Ogdensburg , NY 13669-

Inspection

Date: AUG 17, 2016 01:21 PM
Inspector: Ward Remington (ward.remington@health.ny.gov)
Responsible Person: Matthew Denner
(email:

Summary

Number of public health hazards found: 0
Number of public health hazards NOT corrected: 0
Number of other violations found: 0

Each item found in violation is reported below along with the code requirement.

NO VIOLATIONS WERE OBSERVED.

Code Requirements

Inspector Findings

Additional Information Collected During Inspection

Pool/Spa water temperature - 80 degrees Fahrenheit; Free chlorine/bromine - 2.18 mg/L; PH - 7.4; Temporary Residence/Campground - No; Homeowner exemption - No;

Comments

END of REPORT

[Submit# 227381] Ogdensburg Municipal Wading Pool (ID 534043) Inspection# 1001864211

MEMORANDUM

TO: Sarah Purdy, City Manager
FROM: Andrea Smith, DPD Director
DATE: August 25, 2016
SUBJECT: **Planning Department Update**

Below is an update from the Planning Department:

BOA Designation – The City’s 330-acre BOA received formal designation on Monday, August 22, 2016 by Governor Andrew M. Cuomo. Ogdensburg was among 12 new BOAs in New York State, bringing the total to 38.

This designation of our BOA marks the completion of our Step II Nomination Study: Downtown Waterfront Core; completed with \$355,500 in grant funding from the NYS Department of State awarded in October, 2009. This designation is not an announcement funding. However, it does enable the City to apply for subsequent BOA program funding, specifically, Step III: Implementation Strategy funds.

The BOA program established effective strategies for revitalization based on a shared community vision, and development of clear priorities for redevelopment, community renewal and improved quality of life. Participation in the BOA program establishes a working partnership between communities and state agencies to address a variety of issues related to community revitalization, zoning, site clean-up and redevelopment, economic renewal, improving transportation systems and infrastructure, and improving environmental quality. Furthermore, a community supported nomination study increases competitiveness for additional funding and private investment. Designated BOA’s, including our BOA, shall receive priority and preference from the NYS Environmental Protection Fund and Environmental Restoration Programs, and other local, state and federal programs.

Among other benefits, the designation of our Downtown Waterfront Core BOA enables proposed development projects to receive a 2% tax credit bonus. This tax credit bonus is available to projects sites that have been accepted in the NYS Brownfield Clean-up Program (BCP), are within the designated 330-acre study area, and are consistent with the BOA strategy. The BCP program provides additional tax incentives that may be applied in addition to the 2% tax credit noted here.

Community Development Block Grant – Currently, with the 2 of the remaining 5 projects proposed under Phase III have been issued Notice to Proceed letters. The remaining three will be revised and put back out for contractors to submit bids on. We anticipate that the last three projects will be reissued on September 2, 2016.

Zombie Properties – The Planning Department completed an application for \$150,000 to the Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) to address “zombie” properties and the enforcement of the New York State Abandoned Property Neighborhood Relief Act of 2016 (the “Zombie Law”). This law requires banks and other mortgagees to maintain vacant and abandoned properties during the foreclosure process. Banks will face a potential penalty of up to \$500 per day per property for failing to maintain these properties. The legislation also establishes an electronic registry of vacant and abandoned properties encumbered by mortgages, maintained by the New York State Department of Finance (DFS), to enable New York State and local governments to identify and hold accountable those banks or other mortgagees responsible for property maintenance.

Notice of awards is *expected* in early September 2016.

315 Gates Street – The City Council will hold a public hearing on the request for an adaptive reuse district permit for 315 Gates Street on September 12, 2016 at 7 PM. The Zoning Board of Appeals held their required public hearing on Tuesday, August 9, 2016 following the Planning Board review on Tuesday, August 2, 2016.

A final report will be issued to the City Council in accordance with §221-27 and §221-28.

421 Park Street – The City has received bid to demolish and dispose of the asbestos containing (ACM) remains of the structure fire at 421 Park Street. At this time the estimated project costs are as follows:

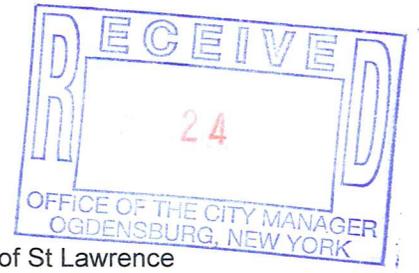
- Demolition: Low bid was received by Frank Richardson & Son at a cost of \$10,200.
- Hauling: Low bid was received by Tater Acres at an estimated 3 loads each at \$800 for a total of \$2,400.
- Code Rule 56 requires air monitoring of the demolition of ACM. We estimate this to be 3 days; David G. Cole was the low bidder at \$600 per day for a cost of \$1,800.
- Disposal fees have been estimated based on 65 tons of debris at \$200/ton equaling \$13,000. There is an additional \$6/ton fee due to SWDA equal to \$390.

In total the projected cost is **\$27,790**. At this time City staff is devising a plan to cover the cost of the required demolition that will result in personal lien on the homeowner in accordance with the court order.

Update
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CC: FILE

Certificate of the Final State Equalization Rate
for the 2016 Assessment Roll



Mr. Wayne L. Ashley , Mayor
City of Ogdensburg
City Hall
330 Ford Street
Ogdensburg, NY 13669

County of St Lawrence
City of Ogdensburg
Municipal Code: 401200 *****
Final State Equalization Rate: * 100.00 *

I, Brian F. Moon, hereby certify that on August 09, 2016 the State Office of Real Property Tax Services established a final State equalization rate of 100.00 for the above named municipality.

Brian F. Moon
Real Property Analyst 2

Note: Since your municipality did not file a complaint with respect to the tentative rate, the final equalization rate is the same as the tentative rate. Notice of the final rate will be filed with the clerk of the county legislative body and in the office of the State Comptroller.

Mr. C. Bruce Green , Appointed Assessor
City of Ogdensburg
Assessment Department
330 Ford Street
Ogdensburg, NY 13669

Municipal Code	Municipal Name	(A) 2015 State Equalization Rate	(B) 2016 State Equalization Rate and Status	(C) Percentage Change in Estimate of Full Value
401200	City of Ogdensburg	100.00	100.00 Final	0.00%
402000	Town of Brasher	91.00	93.00 Final	-2.15%
402200	Town of Canton	100.00	100.00 Final	0.00%
402400	Town of Clare	3.45	3.46 Tentative	-0.29%
402600	Town of Clifton	92.00	90.00 Final	2.22%
402800	Town of Colton	107.42	108.21 Tentative	-0.73%
403000	Town of Dekalb	100.00	100.00 Final	0.00%
403200	Town of De Peyster	100.00	85.00 Final	17.65%
403400	Town of Edwards	98.50	97.50 Tentative	1.03%
403600	Town of Fine	81.00	81.00 Final	0.00%
403800	Town of Fowler	13.50	13.00 Final	3.85%
404000	Town of Gouverneur	92.50	95.00 Final	-2.63%
404200	Town of Hammond	100.00	100.00 Final	0.00%
404400	Town of Hermon	100.00	100.00 Final	0.00%
404600	Town of Hopkinton	100.00	100.00 Tentative	0.00%
404800	Town of Lawrence	100.00	94.00 Final	6.38%
405000	Town of Lisbon	85.00	84.00 Final	1.19%
405200	Town of Louisville	91.00	88.00 Final	3.41%
405400	Town of Macomb	53.50	53.50 Final	0.00%
405600	Town of Madrid	87.50	87.00 Final	1.84%
405800	Town of Massena	100.00	100.00 Final	0.00%
406000	Town of Morristown	100.00	100.00 Final	0.00%
406200	Town of Norfolk	82.00	82.00 Final	0.00%
406400	Town of Oswegatchie	100.00	100.00 Final	0.00%
406600	Town of Parishville	6.19	6.19 Tentative	0.00%
406800	Town of Piercefield	99.00	100.00 Final	10.73%
407000	Town of Pierrepont	85.50	84.50 Final	1.18%
407200	Town of Pitcairn	100.00	100.00 Final	1.79%
407400	Town of Potsdam	100.00	100.00 Final	0.00%
407600	Town of Rossie	97.00	88.00 Final	10.23%
407800	Town of Russell	76.50	70.00 Tentative	9.29%
408000	Town of Stockholm	100.00	100.00 Final	0.00%

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This percentage change is important because county and school taxes are apportioned according to a municipality's share of the full value of the county or the school. A municipality will be apportioned a larger share of the tax levy if its full value increases by a larger percentage than others, or if its full value decreases less than the decrease for other municipalities in the county or school.

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2016 Equalization Rate Status

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408200	Town of Waddington	100.00	100.00 Final	0.00%

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