Randolph County Special Commissioners

February 28, 2020

The Randolph County Commissioners met at their regular meeting at 9:00AM in the Commissioners and Council Room in the Courthouse with the following members present: Tom Chalfant and Gary Girton. Also present was Randolph County Auditor Laura J Martin, Sheriff Art Moystner, Tom Cockerill, Attorney.

Tom Chalfant, Vice President presided over the meeting.

Tom Cockerill open the bids from for 2019 Community Crossings Savings Program.

Brooks Construction Inc. Ft. Wayne, Indiana. The surety is the Federal Insurance Company for the community paving program. Tom Cockerill said it looks like the bond is in order. Itemize proposal:

Project 1 \$586,708.75 for resurfacing 1200 W from St Rd 32 to 550 N 2 \$ 73,793.00 for resurfacing 550 N from 1200 W to 1150 W 3 \$100,927.75 for resurface of 1150 W from St Rd 28 to 1000 N For all three projects \$761,429.50.

DC Construction, Indianapolis, Indiana

Project 1 \$727,901.25 for resurfacing 1200 W from St Rd 32 to 550 N 2 \$ 90,260.20 for resurfacing 550 N from 1100 W to 1150 W 3 \$123,529.35 for resurfacing 1150 W from St Rd 28 to1000 N For all three projects \$941,690.80.

Milestone LP,

Project 1 \$586,993.50 for resurfacing 1200 W from St Rd 32 to 550 N 2 \$ 74,202.50 for resurfacing 550 N from 1200 W to 1150 W 3 \$101,245.00 for resurfacing 1100 W from St Rd 28 to 1000 N For all three projects \$762,441.00.

Tom Chalfant asked Mike if he wanted to take these under advisement. Mike would like to take a 15-minute recess and look at the bids.

Mike Haffner – Community Crossings Grant

Mike said we studied the bids and went over mainly Brooks and Milestone. Brooks is the low bid with Milestone being a little over a \$1,000 more than Brooks. In this situation this is not much. It appears that Brooks has all of the tonnage and exact same figures as milestone. The milling and shorter work was a little bit cheaper. I have never worked with Brooks but have heard about them.

Tom didn't know, you are familiar with Milestone.

Mike said I have worked with Milestone.

Tom asked Mike if you talked to our attorney asked about the best bids and all those things.

Mike don't know in my window, what I am allowed to do. Milestone has done a lot of work for this county. I would like to support them, yet I don't want to knock somebody out that is equally. Right now, I am just saying that Brooks is my low bid. It appears all their numbers match exactly what milestone does. So, I have no reason to kick them out for that.

Tom said it's your prerogative, as close as they were I think you can choose either one.

Gary said the issue is with being that close and being the low bid and not getting it. We don't have any time right now. We can get this deal tied up right now.

Mike said I am ready to sign papers now.

Gary said that is the only thing that bothers me is not excepting it at face value.

Mike said since this is an extremely close bid you got the same concerns that I have. I would like to recommend Milestone just because we have worked with them.

Tom Chalfant said we could ask Tom Cockerill but he hasn't been involved with it.

Tom Cockerill said he would defer that one to Meeks.

Mike said the problem I have is I have to get the paper work filed today.

Tom Chalfant said the lowest best bid was what we have always been told. Tom asked if he wants to try and call Meeks or just go ahead with this proposal. Tom said it is your call.

Mike talked to Meeks on the phone. Mike said under the advisement of our County Attorney, Meeks we have to go with the low bid. They can electronic file it. That is not a reason to accept the low bid. I personally would like to go the other direction. I have to go with our legal staff.

Gary moved that we except the bids present by Brooks First Inc. from Ft. Wayne for \$761,429.50. Tom seconded the motion. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Citizen Comments

None

Adjournment

Gary made a motion to adjourn. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Reviewed and signed this ______ day of ________, 2020.

RANDOLPH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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