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Public Works and Facilities Minutes
March 11th 2019 8:30 AM

The Public Works and Facilities Committee will meet at the above date and time in the Conference room of the Administration Office on the second floor of the County Building, 1504 Third Avenue, Rock Island Illinois. Chairman Larry Burns called the meeting to order. Minutes as follows:

1. Call to order and roll call

Members Present: L. Burns, E. Sowards, E. Langdon, D. Adams, B. Westpfahl, Johnston

Members Absent: J. Deppe, B. Regan, R. Morthland

Others present: J. Snider, J. Massa, G. Thorpe, J. Boudi, C. Przybyla

2. Public comments

None at this time

3. Approval of the minutes from the February 11th 2019 meeting

Motion to approve: E. Langdon

2nd D. Adams

Voice Vote

Motion carried

4. Approval of the minutes from the February 19th 2019 meeting

Motion to approve: E. Sowards

2nd. B. Westpfahl

Motion Carried

5. Reports to the Committee

J. Boudi: We started working with Chastain & Associates. That's who John's department and the committee awarded the bid do. Very easy to work with. A little over \$12,000 recorder fee revenue; lowest months we've had. Hopefully that will pick up with the weather.

G. Thorpe: For February. Total 32 receipts. 59 revenue. One of the slowest months I remember having. YTD puts us behind in activity. Evaluations way down. On March 7th, I participated in the Hands on Trade Expo; QC Builders and Remodelers did. It's an initiative to get kids into trades. HVAC, dry Waller, roofer, sider, 400 kids participated in that. I was also on the QBS selection committee. We also received a grant. Bi-state helped us get a grant, comprehensive tools for rezoning cases.

Motion: B. Westpfahl
2nd E. Sowards
Voice Vote
Motion Carried

J. Massa: Maintenance department; Highway department we've been doing brush and tree removal. Pretty much all of it down with the exception of a fenced in area. We might have to hire someone to do it. Boston blacktop with sand. Clean that out. As far as engineering, we have roof repairs on one of our buildings, go out for bid. One of townships as far as Last QBS for two projects. I'll get into it more on the items; five of us, Larry, Greg, Steven Rashid from Bi-State and Lisa Geiger, would like to thank them for participating. I'll get into it more' it's a couple items for the contracts.

Motion: D. Adams
2nd E. Langdon
Voice Vote
Motion Carried

J. Snider: From a facilities point; everyone knows where we are at with the next hearing on the 19th in Peoria. We had a request from the contractor in place to demolish the courthouse to have a demolition permit. Greg worked with Valley on that. I don't have anything additional.

B. Westpfahl: Where are we in fixing the front door?

J. Snider: It's a work in progress. The sheriff planned on having it ready on April 1. If you walk in the back door, you'll see the electronic scanner. I would say 30 to 60 days at most.

L. Burns: They'll have someone at the gate at all time?

J. Snider: That will be primary entrance into the building. We're working out details on what's going to be locked. From a safety standpoint, it will be more secure for the employees and all of us sitting in this room.

L. Burns: What about a night when we have a ZBA meeting?

J. Snider: We'll have to work the details and how to address that. We need to circle back with the Sheriff. The back door, if you access it with a code there's a lag effect. During office hours everyone would have to go through the front door. We have to put some policies in place on how it's going to work; more of a 21st century approach to security. If you have concerns or questions shoot them at me. There's not a bad question in how to implement it.

Motion: B. Westpfahl
2nd Edna Sowards
Voice Vote
Motion Carried

6. Consider ZBA Cases
 - a. SU-19-206 Charles Nelson Density Increase CR
 - b. SU-19-207 William Robinson Rural Residential Building Lot CO
 - c. SU-19-208 Georgia Hays Urban Chickens SR10

Motion: E. Langdon

2nd D. Adams

Voice Vote

Motion carried

7. Consider Highway Items
 - a. Review and award of bids received on Friday March 8th, 2019 : State bid letting for concrete restoration project; Knoxville Road

J. Massa: On this past Friday there was a state letting for Knoxville Road project held in Springfield since it has federal funds. There were 6 bidders and two submitted a bid. Low bid was Brandt Construction. This is 24 percent over our estimate. When it's more than 10 percent over you can always reject all bids. This is the third time we've let this project. At this point I do not know what else to change. If we do not something my concern is the joints on Knoxville Road. Each joint is faulted because they are not locked together. They pour the concrete. So you transfer your loads from one side of the vehicle to the next. Dowel bar retrofit project; they saw cut the joint. So now your load transfer is there. I recommend that we award to the low bidder because this is the third time we've let this. If we rebid it the same way; I don't see any changes. We did get a bidder out of Minnesota. That's what I'm recommending even though is more than 10 percent.

R. Brunk: R. Brunk: Do you have any idea why this has been more than estimate was?

J. Massa: When we did get a bid out of Minnesota, I expected theirs to be a lot lower. I don't have a good answer. I don't know anything about the contractor; travel costs?

B. Westphahl; It isn't that much higher.

J. Massa 360,000 over estimate \$50,000 difference between the two. My concern is that the joints. The joint is going to start breaking up. Now you're going to have to replace each joint. I expected lower bids. Some of the others that pulled plans I thought We thought we were doing the right thing. I don't have any answers why we didn't get more bids. The grinding part of it is a specialty. No one around here has a diamond grinder; the dowel bar part of it, that requires some special equipment but not something that our local contractors couldn't do.

B. Westpfahl: How many joints to replace?

J. Massa: Around 1500.

B. West: I'll make a motion for the safety of the general public with as much traffic. I don't think we can delay any longer.

L. Burns: We have a motion to accept. Do we have second?

R. Brunk: If we were to go out again how big a window are we looking at?.

J. Massa: The next one is a May letting; and it's a federal letting, not a local one. I don't know the exact dates. They're preset: I'm not sure if there's a date. April Letting. But I think there's one in May. I don't know what I would change on the project to get more bidders.

R. Brunk: Very likely if we went back out, we would get the same result?

J. Massa: We've done it three times. Last June, we did it with a dowel bar retrofit. We had one bidder. The 2nd time we took the dowel bar retrofit out and I don't agree with, we had one bidder. It wasn't the same bidder as with dowel bar retrofit. We came back a third time, changed it a little bit and still had 2 bidders; one from Minnesota. From the bids, I don't see us getting anyone else to bid it. The extra cost, in the past if the job goes over, we have a federal agreement, pay 80 percent 20 percent local funds. In the past, We still pick up 20 percent. \$360,000 over very well could be split 80 percent federal 20 percent ours so only an extra \$70,000, may not. Which we have 1.2 million in motor fuel tax budgeted for this year basically for this project. We have the money budgeted but I'm not telling you for sure how it would be handled on the federal part.

D. Adams How many working days on this project?

J. Massa: Eighty working days.

Motion to approve: B. Westpfahl

2nd D. Adams.

Voice Vote

Motion carried

Motion carries to award low bid.

b. Engineering Agreement for Township Bridge in Bowling Township

J. Massa: We did go through the QBS for this project. It's a township bridge I that selection IMEG. To complete all engineering work. Not to exceed \$63,290.

B. Westpfahl: Any engineering work left from last time rather than cut out some of this? It's only 40 years old.

J.Massa: No. To see possibly do is pull the beams off and redo substructure underneath and reuse the beams.

B.Westpfahl: \$4,300 dollars for a topographic survey. That's not necessary.

J. Massa: When they do a hydraulic report; Could show lengthen abutment. The waterway will have to increase. Different standards. Part of the survey is a hydraulic survey. Do the road to determine. May be over and raise the road. Not much in there I can see that is not warranted for our IDOT standards for what's required; Even the soil borings. Their locations of where the

abutments, they can change within 100 feet. You could hit rock at 10 feet, or 60 feet; a lot more extensive. I know what you're asking to answer is no.

Motion E. Langdon

2nd. D. Adams

Voice Vote

Motion Carried

Opposed 1; B. Westpfahl

Motion carried with one *no* vote; B. Westpfahl

- c. Preliminary Engineering Service Agreements for Federal Participation
- d. Discuss and approve Qualifications Based Selection (QBS) procedures for non-Federal Professional Engineering Work

J. Massa: The last one is Quality Based Selection; the one we used was approved in December. it was for federal funds. Streamline selection for non-federal funds. There's not much difference except under a certain dollar amount. Pretty much proposing for our non federal funds. There's very few jobs . Less than \$40,000. I'm guessing there's very few that would be under \$40,000. Ranks high enough
Still would do selection committee. If they're under \$40,000 still need approval from you once you select one. Streamlines a Still follow state statues About the only difference is past experience with consultants. If it's over \$100,000 under \$40,000 select one; basically it just streamlines it and follows the state statutes. I'd like to use this one for nonfederal services and maintain the other one for federal participation. I doubt there'd be more projects It may be 6 months before the agreement you approved for using Chastain before IDOT even approves them. If we can avoid using federal funds for engineering we will.

Motion to approve: D. Adams

2nd B. Westpfahl

Voice Vote

Motion carried

- 8. Committee member opportunity for brief comment (*no decisions will be made*)

B. Westpfahl: I got a call from some people in Edgington. They're having water problems. They said they were coming to the board meeting to ask us what we can do about it. I don't see where there's anything we can do about it. Maybe you need to look at it John.

J. Massa: Where is it?

B. Westpfahl: Township roads; South end of the subdivision. There's a field that comes down. They have a small drainage ditch behind their house. Flooded about 3 or four houses.

J. Massa: Is there any individual to talk to? Someone called in and we gave them Steve Jan' number.

B. Westpfahl: Steve Jans was down there and there was nothing they could do about it.

G. Thorpe: That section is mapped flood plain. You have to have flood insurance.

B. Westpfahl: I asked them if they were in a floodplain and they didn't think they were. Can they get a buyout on it?

G. Thorpe: You'd have to apply for a federal grant to do something there. There are only 8 houses in that mapped flood plan. A lot are up on the road closest to Rock Ridge high school; a lot are up higher.

B. Westpfahl: This is the east side of town.

G. Thorpe: Oh, east of town. No flood plain there.

J. Massa: They've had trouble in the past replaced some culverts. See if Steve can look at it. He's the road commissioner there. It's the township road to maintain. We'll look at it to see if there's anything to be done.

9. Adjourned at 9:07 AM

Future meetings scheduled for April 8th, May 13th and June 10th