

**PORTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING
THURSDAY, MAY 2nd, 2019
10:00 A.M.**

(The entire meeting is available to watch on the Porter County website.)

The Special meeting of the Porter County Board of Commissioners convened at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 2nd, 2019 in the Commissioners' Chambers of the Administration Center.

Those present were: Commissioners Jeff Good, Jim Biggs, County Attorney Scott McClure; Administrative Assistant Melanie Massey and Recording Secretary Kathy Merle. Com. Laura Blaney was not in attendance.

Call to Order/Pledge

COMMISSIONERS

INETICO Invoice in the amount of \$14,661.00.

Atty. McClure, At the last meeting we approved an invoice from BAS for just a little over \$100,000.00. This was the flop of that BAS was our TPA. INETICO was the provider so this is that payment to INETICO. This is the trickling to get done with the legacy of INETICO and BAS.

Com. Biggs, moved to approve, Com. Good, second, motion carried.

DEVELOPMENT & STORM WATER MNGMNT. – BOB THOMPSON, DIRECTOR

Receive and Open Bids for the following projects:

Bridge 135 – Old Porter Rd. over Salt Creek in the City of Portage – Bridge superstructure deck replacement.

Mr. Thompson, This bridge is currently closed right now because of a beam failure on it. This particular project will have a new superstructure on it. The abutment walls are fine it just needs a new superstructure on it.

Com. Biggs, What is the time line?

Mr. Thompson, Since we have restrictions getting into the stream I guess my first guess would probably be about 3 months for this.

Com. Biggs, Expect it sometime later this summer.

Mr. Gavelek, October 1st.

Com. Biggs, October 1st?

Mr. Thompson, Yes that is more than 3 months.

Com. Good, Well by the time you get started.

Mr. Novotney, You have bid opening today. We have review of the bids for responsibility and responsiveness.

Mr. Thompson, Correct and we've got to get the contract in front of you and get that approved. We have to have a meeting with the contractor to get it all set up and then we issue the notice to proceed. By the time construction starts you're probably looking at 3 months.

Com. Good, We've already moved this up 2 months with the engineering firm when the bridge started having difficulties this winter. We reached out to the engineering firm and they've compressed the design so I think we picked up a couple of months there too I believe.

Mr. Thompson, Yes we did ask them to expedite.

Com. Biggs, Let's keep the City of Portage attuned to the schedule so we don't hear back from them.

Mr. Gavelek, I will I've been in communication with them I have a contact person.

Com. Biggs, Good.

Atty. McClure, We're opening today than when were we planning on awarding?

Mr. Thompson, We're probably looking at the May 21st meeting.

Atty. McClure, Then after that we have to get the contract on and then we have the coordination meeting (Inaudible).

Mr. Thompson, The contract probably won't be before you for approval until June 11th.

Atty. McClure, Basically the next 2 meetings will be the awarding and then the contract assuming everything is going in the right direction.

Com. Good, I think this bridge in itself because we're working over Salt Creek and we have a limited time to work over Salt Creek because it's a salmonid tributary we're going to have to push this no matter which way we go. I think the compression and everything we're trying to do is sort of baked into it because of where it's at.

Mr. Thompson, Even though the abutment walls are good they're still putting scour measures down below which stills requires being in the stream so there is a limited time with that.

Com. Good, Let's go ahead and start opening them Vicki.

Ms. Urbanik, We have 5 bids.

Mr. Thompson, We do have one but to be honest with you we're not exactly sure whether this one gives the sanitary sewer relocation.

Mr. Novotney, The engineer's estimate on the bridge is \$800,000.00.

Atty. McClure, And that is for the bridge right? That may not include the sanitary sewer relocation.

Mr. Novotney, Correct.

Atty. McClure, But these bids will include both.

Mr. Novotney, It will include both the bridge and the sanitary sewer relocation.

Com. Biggs, Is there the engineer didn't include that, the sanitary?

Mr. Gavelek, Yes it's a private sanitary line that is owned by the trailer park to the south (Inaudible) and they had their own private engineer design it. We're reimbursing them for that.

Atty. McClure, I think the answer to your question is this you're giving us USI's engineering estimate?

Mr. Thompson, American Structurepoint.

Atty. McClure, That is for the bridge itself not necessarily for the.....

Mr. Novotney, The force main. They didn't do that design.

Atty. McClure, That is why it's separated.

Com. Good, The first quote is from Dunnet Bay Construction Co. out of Glendale Heights, Illinois in the amount of \$880,079.90. Next bid is JTI Bridge Group. JTI is out of LaPorte, Indiana with a bid of \$871,019.40. The next bid is Reith Riley out of Gary. Their bid is \$673,536.54. The next quote is Gariup Construction out of Gary. Their quote is \$773,500.00. The last bid is from LaPorte Construction out of LaPorte. Their quote was \$858,466.31. You guys will review those bids and we will award them at the May 21st meeting.

Mr. Novotney, Our plan would be to present the bid award and contract to you at the May 21st Commissioners' meeting.

2. Bridge 152 – Wagner Rd. over Little Calumet River – Deck rehabilitation.

Mr. Thompson, Deck rehabilitation and also beam painting.

Mr. Novotney, Keep that steel from rusting away.

Com. Good, They last a little longer when you do that.

Mr. Thompson, Hence why we're also changing the abutments on this.

Ms. Urbanik, There are no bids.

Com. Good, No bids.

Mr. Thompson, 152 and 208 are going to be combined. One of the main reasons for the combination of these two is because of the fact that we're going to do hydro-demolition. Hydro-demolition is a specialty. They're probably coming out of State to do this. The contractor needs to coordinate with the hydro-demolition for both of these bridges together so it was combined.

Com. Good, Okay. Even though it was shown on the agenda as 2 separate bridges they were bid together.

Mr. Thompson, Correct.

3. Bridge 208 – Shorewood Drive over Lake Louise – Deck rehabilitation.

Ms. Urbanik, We have 4 bids.

Com. Good, The first one is from Dunnet Bay Construction Co. Again they are out of Glendale Heights, Illinois. Their combined bid for both projects is \$855,382.26.

Mr. Thompson, The engineer estimate on this was \$930,000.00.

Mr. Novotney, For the combination of the two.

Com. Good, The next up is JTI Bridge Group Inc. out of LaPorte, Indiana. Their combined bid is \$1,022,234.80. The next bid is Reith Riley Construction out of Gary. Their combined bid \$753,310.30. The bid is from LaPorte Construction out of LaPorte. Their number is \$857,810.52.

Mr. Novotney, We will be doing the same with those. We plan on presenting a recommendation to you to be awarded at the May 21st meeting. We plan on posting the bid abstract to the website for both of these bids, the 135 and the 152 combination on the website. So anyone that didn't quite get the numbers you can look at it on our website.

4. Asphalt Pavement 1.5 inch Inlay Project – CR 400 North from 325 East to 345 East.

Com. Good, Is this part of a Community Crossing?

Mr. Thompson, It is and I will let Matt explain it to you.

Mr. Gavelek, This is part of a larger CCMG package that was awarded. It had to get split out because of its type being different. We originally tried to submit for a larger stretch of 400 but because of the work type CCMG only awarded a certain work type so we have a smaller stretch. We're looking this year as we have discussed to fill in that gap with the County dollars remaining (Inaudible). This is just a small stretch of 400.

Com. Good, Alright, the first quote is from Walsh & Kelly Inc. and the price for that is \$24,551.92. Next up is Town and Country Construction out of DeMotte and their quote is \$32,286.70. Reith Riley \$32,373.20 and that is all for those bid openings. We'll do the same thing on May 21st.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

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Jeffrey J. Good

Laura M. Blaney

Jim Biggs

Attest: _____
Vicki Urbanik, Auditor