

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

Date of Meeting: October 3, 2019, at 1:30 p.m. in the Birch Room.

Members Present: Lindman, Jacobson, Groat

Also Present: Wesolowski, Hanson, Rasmussen

In compliance with Chapter 19, Wisconsin Statutes, notice of this meeting was posted and received by the *Wausau Daily Herald* in the proper manner.

Approve minutes of the September 24, 2019 meeting

Jacobson moved to approve the minutes of the September 24, 2019 meeting. Lindman seconded and the motion passed.

Review quotations and make recommendation for the purchase of plow blades

Hanson received quotes from Grays, H & L Mesabi, McCoy, and Roland Machinery. All blades quoted were the same; therefore, he recommends the low quote of \$25,944.94 from McCoy. Lindman moved to accept the quote from McCoy Construction in the amount of \$25,944.94. Jacobson seconded and the motion passed.

Make recommendation for squad car upfitting (Quotations were opened September 24, 2019.)

Hanson sent out quote requests to five vendors. Four vendors responded. Auto Trim did not submit in time and was the high bid. Hanson recommends accepting the proposal from Belco. Racom has been doing the upfitting for the last three years, but Hanson has not been completely satisfied with them. There have been problems with returns and general things that did not work out right. Hanson visited Belco and was impressed. He noted that they have a computer program for light bar set up. The proposal asked for pricing for the next three years. All vendors except Racom could guarantee three year pricing. Hanson recommends accepting the quote from Belco based upon his visit, testing and the way their shop was set up. They have six bays with at least three techs working on cars at all times. Hanson also received recommendations from Marathon County, Kronenwetter, and another local agency. All are very happy with Belco. Hanson would like to try Belco as they provide a good product and he is looking forward to working with the Code 3 product based upon simplicity.

Lindman asked if six cars would be upfitted each year. Hanson stated six cars will be done next year. He would like to split the purchase and roll over funds from this year to next. Later next year he would propose six more. He had ramped up the budget to accommodate this. This will probably go back down to three a year once the replacement plan is caught up.

At this time Groat entered the meeting.

Rasmussen questioned the quote process. Hanson indicated he sent out the request to the vendors. Rasmussen did not see where it was posted on the website. She spoke about when this contract was awarded in 2017. At that time she questioned a local option and asked about Northway Communications. She was told by staff that Northway Communications did not do upfitting any longer. Weeks later she ran into the owner of Northway and asked when they stopped doing upfitting. The owner told her they have done upfitting all along. Rasmussen told him to watch the website in the future for RFP's. She knows the County uses Belco. She did not know Hanson was not happy with Racom. If Northway is still doing this work, she would like the local firm to have the option to bid. She understands there is inflation, but in the past they would do this work and it did not cost near \$15,000 a car. When this comes through Finance, she would like to see a local option and would like Northway to have the opportunity to bid.

Back in 2017 when Hanson spoke to a Northway tech, he was in the process of leaving and was told upfitting was no longer going to be done. The tech then returned to Northway. Hanson has dealt with Northway on other upfittings. Northway did give a price for a canine car but that price was higher than what Auto Trim had submitted. While Hanson was happy with Northway, Northway techs are stretched as they also go out on radio calls. Rasmussen said Northway cannot be slower than DPW was when they were upfitting vehicles and we cannot assume Northway cannot do the work.

Hanson knows what works and what does not and would love to have a local vendor. Rasmussen noted that when DPW was stretched, they were flexible with the install. At that time, we had an officer to assist so it was set up the way the officer wanted. They were very accommodating with the process. All companies have a lot of work but need to be given the opportunity to bid. Rasmussen was glad to see a quote from General Communications.

Hanson stated squad cars are six months out so there is time. He will send the quote request to Northway and post on the website. Discussion followed on replacing Tate radios as they are getting old. Rasmussen noted that if the upfitting comes in less than \$13,000 a car, maybe we can afford better radios.

This item will be brought back.

Make recommendation for Professional Services regarding North 6th Street from Horseshoe Spring Road to Evergreen Road (Proposals were opened September 17, 2019.)

Wesolowski stated STP Urban Funding will be received for 6th Street. Proposals were received from EMCS, Ayres, Kapur, Becher Hoppe, AECOM and SEH. Wesolowski, Niksich and Lenz independently rated the proposals. When combining the ratings, EMCS ranked the highest. Staff is recommending accepting the proposal from EMCS. They are a local firm and staff has worked with them on other projects.

Jacobson moved to accept the proposal from EMCS for professional services regarding North 6th Street from Horseshoe Spring Road to Evergreen Road. Groat seconded and the motion passed.

Wausau Fire Station #2 – General Building: Scherrer Construction, Change Order #3

Lindman stated this change order is for the folding doors, which is an add on to the original bid. Discussion followed on if this was included in the budget. This will be brought back as more clarification is needed.

Wausau Fire Station #2 – Plumbing: Stainless Specialist Inc., Change Order #2

Lindman indicated this change order is for additional floor drains. Lindman moved to approve Change Order #2 in the amount of \$3,950. Groat seconded and the motion passed.

Thomas Street Phase II Reconstruction: Haas Sons, Inc., Change Order #2 and Change Order #3

Wesolowski explained that Change Order #2 is due to changes to the project. The change order was reviewed by the project inspector and the prices are reasonable. The one large item for \$33,465 is for 24" RCP Class 4 pipe. There is Class 3 and Class 4 pipe. We had to go shallow and use Class 4 to avoid a conflict. The quantities of Class 3 pipe will be less.

Change Order #3 is for a colored concrete median at the Thomas Street Bridge. This quantity was missed by the consultant and was not included in the bid.

Groat moved to approve Change Order #2 in the amount of \$55,792.25 and Change Order #3 in the amount of \$25,680. Jacobson seconded and the motion passed.

Thomas Street Phase II Reconstruction: Haas Sons, Inc., Pay Estimate #3

Wesolowski stated this pay estimate was reviewed by the project inspector and brings the contractor up to date with quantities. Lindman moved to approve Pay Estimate #3 in the amount of \$1,037,631.83. Groat seconded and the motion passed.

2018 Riverfront Redevelopment Project: Miron Construction Co., Inc., Change Order #13 and Change Order #18

Wesolowski explained that Change Order #13 was for the install of plywood on the ceiling. The plan from the architect showed thin plywood. With 18” of insulation above, the plywood would bow. Also, there were no vapor barriers. This is for the hourly rate and materials to install vapor barriers and plywood. The original change order was higher, but Wesolowski negotiated the price down. Groat moved to approve Change Order #13 in the amount of \$13,440.04. Jacobson seconded and the motion passed.

Change Order #18 was reviewed by the Board earlier this year but was put on hold until Miron started the project again. This change order is due to the contract running into winter and the fact that Miron had to run longer and provide supervision. A final walkthrough was completed Monday. Miron is substantially done. This change order was negotiated and agreed to last fall. Groat moved to approve Change Order #18 in the amount of \$41,400. Lindman seconded and the motion passed.

2018 Riverfront Redevelopment Project: Miron Construction Co., Inc., Pay Estimate #6

Wesolowski indicated this pay estimate brings Miron up to date. This is not a final payment but should be final quantities. Lindman moved to approve Pay Estimate #6 in the amount of \$699,753.89. Groat seconded and the motion passed.

Lindman moved to adjourn the meeting. Groat seconded. Meeting adjourned at approximately 2:05 p.m.