

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

Date of Meeting: September 16, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers

Members Present: Lindman, Groat, Jacobson

Also Present: Wesolowski, Nicksich, Hanson

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

Open bids and make recommendation for the 2020 Crack Sealing Project

The following bids were received and opened:

Thunder Road LLC	\$53,150.00
Fahrner Asphalt Sealers LLC	\$121,045.01

Lindman moved to award the project to the low-qualified bidder, Thunder Road LLC, in the amount of \$53,150. Groat seconded and the motion passed.

Open Request for Proposals for Environmental Soil and Groundwater Testing at 1300 Cleveland Avenue

Proposals were received from Intertek PSI, Tetra Tech, GEI Consultants, REI, AECOM, Ayres, and Antea Group. The proposals will be reviewed and brought back with a recommendation.

Make recommendation for the purchase of plow blades (Quotations were opened September 8, 2020)

Hanson provided an updated spreadsheet outlining the make, blade cost, shipping cost, delivery time frame, and total cost. Hanson noted a few minor changes to the spreadsheet, which did not affect the final outcome. Hanson recommends purchasing Built Blades from DA McPherson. Lindman moved to accept the quotation from DA McPherson for Built Blades in the amount of \$45,685. Groat seconded and the motion passed.

Industrial Park Lift Station Rehabilitation: August Winter & Sons, Inc., Pay Estimate #2 and #3

Clark Dietz is the onsite inspector and is monitoring this project. Lindman moved to approve Pay Estimate #2 in the amount of \$21,866.15 and Pay Estimate #3 in the amount of \$62,895.95. Groat seconded and the motion passed.

2020 USH 51/STH 29 Pond D Lining: Integrity Grading & Excavating Inc., Pay Estimate #1

Nicksich stated this project is nearing completion and only restoration remains. He recommends approval. Lindman moved to approve Pay Estimate #1 in the amount of \$42,873.50. Groat seconded and the motion passed.

2020 Hwy 52 Median Landscape Project: Pember Companies Inc., Change Order #1 and #2

Nicksich explained that Change Order #1 is for the addition of additional trees. Five trees will replace dying trees in the median already landscaped. The other 14 trees will be within the boulevard along Hwy 52 Parkway. Nicksich recommends moving forward with the 19 trees. Groat moved to approve Change Order #1 in the amount of \$12,804. Lindman seconded and the motion passed.

For Change Order #2, Van Ert, a sub to Pember, misinterpreted the plans and specs. This project is unique in that it was designed by Ayres who provided a schedule of values/estimate as a lump sum. Nicksich did his best to

breakout individual bid items. He left electrical as a lump sum, which included the electrical bases. He pulled out bases for art work because they are different from electrical bases; the only difference being there is conduit in the electrical bases. When Van Ert typically bids our projects, they bid the electrical bases as an individual item. There is the same number of electrical bases as there are art bases. Van Ert assumed the individual items they were bidding was the electrical bases. They did not know art bases were on the project. He feels this was an honest mistake. The impact would be \$15,000 or \$625 per base. Nicksich recommends approval.

Lindman asked if we got prices for concrete bases on the bid schedule. Nicksich explained the bases Van Ert already installed were \$650, which is what they thought were the electrical bases. Since those have conduit they are a little more expensive. The art bases are \$625 each. Groat asked if other electrical subs bid besides Van Ert. Nicksich stated we typically only get Van Ert as a sub. He did not check with the other bidders if there was another sub.

Jacobson asked if it is reasonable that they would misinterpret what was bid and if the specs were that unclear. Nicksich does not believe the specs were unclear. The written description said it included all electrical items. He thinks Pember may have told Van Ert that everything in this area of the bid is yours and Van Ert did not look at the art bases as being in the electrical scope. They completely looked over the art bases and bid the electrical bases as the art base item. Lindman asked if it was part of the original bid and they just missed bidding them. Nicksich said the art bases were bid individually because he did not feel it fell within the scope of electrical. The electrical bases were bid as part of a lump sum item. Nicksich feels this may partially be miscommunication between Pember and Van Ert. Lindman believes if it was in the specs and they missed bidding, it is not on the City. Jacobson agrees and added it is to their peril if they overlooked it. Groat stated it seems like it may be Pember's problem and not Van Ert's as it is not an electrical item. Discussion followed.

Nicksich will bring this item back along with the itemized bid documents.

2020 Street Construction Project B: Jake's Excavating & Landscaping LLC, Pay Estimate #3

Nicksich said this pay estimate is for the reconstruction of Cedar Street. All water, sewer, and storm sewer have been installed and they are working on building the second half of the road. Nicksich recommends approval. Lindman moved to approve Pay Estimate #3 in the amount of \$164,795.31. Groat seconded and the motion passed.

2020 N. 2nd Street Retaining Wall Project: Big Bull Retaining Wall Systems, Final Payment

Nicksich explained this is for the release of retainage. Both the parking lot and wall have been completed. Nicksich recommends approval. Lindman moved to approve the final payment in the amount of \$4,417.50. Groat seconded and the motion passed.

South Primary Digester Cover Replacement: August Winter & Sons, Inc., Final Payment

Lindman stated a couple of questions have come up regarding this project. He will bring the final payment back at a later date.

Jacobson moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Groat. Meeting adjourned at approximately 10:15 a.m.