

OTTAWA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

Regular and Committee of the Whole Meeting

July 11, 2013

The Committee of the whole of the Board of County Road Commissioners met on Thursday, July 11, 2013 and called to order at 8:30 A.M. by Chairman Bird.

Present: Commissioners Bird, Palarz, Elhart, Miedema, Manager Laughlin; Engineer Zarzecki, and Secretary Mikita

Absent: Commissioners Grifhorst

The Board reviewed and audited the vouchers for July 11, 2013.

At 9:00 A.M., the regular meeting was called to order. All present as before.

Commissioner Palarz moved to approve the Agenda as presented, seconded by Commissioner Elhart and carried.

Commissioner Palarz moved to approve minutes of June 27, 2013, seconded by Commissioner Elhart and carried.

Commissioner Elhart moved to approve payment of payroll in the amount of \$252,517.70, seconded by Commissioner Miedema and carried as shown by the following roll call vote:

Yeas: Commissioners Bird, Elhart, Palarz, and Miedema

Nays: None

Commissioner Palarz moved to approve construction plans as presented for the following projects to be bid in September:

- 44th Street from 8th Avenue to Kenowa Avenue.
- 96th Avenue and Riley Street intersection improvements.
- 68th Avenue and Pierce Street intersection improvements.
- Riley Street and Butternut Drive westbound right turn lane.

Seconded by Commissioner Miedema and carried.

Commissioner Elhart moved to approve the Spring Grove Farms #2 plat as presented and authorized the Chairman to sign the Quit Claim Deed, seconded by Commissioner Palarz and carried.

Manager Laughlin presented a traffic survey report for 68th Avenue and Fillmore Street. Based on the review of traffic counts, analysis of traffic control warrants, intersection characteristics, on site inspection, and traffic crash reports it is recommended:

1. Continue present southbound stop control at the intersection.
2. Consider installation of a westbound right turn only lane with future improvements to the intersection.
3. If traffic volumes and/or collision experience increase substantially then the intersection should again be studied.

Commissioner Miedema moved to approve the traffic survey report as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Palarz and carried.

Commissioner Palarz moved to hold a public hearing for the proposed 2014 budget and 2014-2019 Strategic Improvement Plan on September 19, 2013 at 10:00 A.M., seconded by Commissioner Miedema and carried.

John Nash of Spring Lake Township addressed the Board to thank staff for all their efforts regarding the West Spring Lake Road bridge project.

At 9:40 A.M., Commissioner Elhart moved to go into closed session to discuss property acquisition and Union negotiations, seconded by Commissioner Palarz and carried as shown by the following roll call vote:

Yeas: Commissioners Bird, Elhart, Palarz, and Miedema

Nays: None

At 9:58 A.M., Commissioner Miedema moved to rise from closed session, seconded by Commissioner Palarz and carried as shown by the following roll call vote:

Yeas: Commissioners Bird, Elhart, Palarz, and Miedema

Nays: None

Manager Laughlin presented and reviewed the proposed Union contract with Local 1063. Commissioner Palarz moved to approve the contract as presented, seconded by Commissioner Miedema and carried as shown by the following roll call vote:

Yeas: Commissioners Bird, Elhart, Palarz, and Miedema

Nays: None

At 10:00 A.M., as per advertisement for road project bids, Commissioner Bird declared that the hour has come for that purpose and that all bids be opened and read publicly as follows:

Baldwin Street from 104th Avenue to 96th Avenue:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Al's Excavating, Inc.	\$556,467.25
Brenner Excavating, Inc.	\$493,838.36
Bultsma Excavating, Inc.	\$616,547.02
Jack Dykstra Excavating, Inc.	\$625,137.15
Kamminga & Roodvoets, Inc.	\$582,096.43
Ron Meyer & Associates Exc., Inc.	\$644,847.53
Schippers Excavating, Inc.	(Incomplete bid)
Triangle Excavating, Inc.	\$519,848.80

Greenly Street from 40th Avenue to 32nd Avenue:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Al's Excavating, Inc.	\$534,591.44
Brenner Excavating, Inc.	\$483,494.09
Bultsma Excavating, Inc.	\$572,537.16
Jack Dykstra Excavating, Inc.	\$579,310.65
Kamminga & Roodvoets, Inc.	\$551,155.50
Kentwood Excavating, Inc.	\$599,375.00
Ron Meyer & Associates Exc., Inc.	\$612,556.77
Schippers Excavating, Inc.	\$499,944.00

Commissioner Palarz moved to award to the low read bids of Brenner Excavating, Inc. for both projects, seconded by Commissioner Elhart and carried.

Staff was directed to continue negotiations for land in the Hudsonville area subject to final Board approval.

Secretary Mikita reviewed various health insurance matters.

Manager Laughlin reviewed recent MDEQ correspondence received regarding soil erosion and sedimentation control program.

Manager Laughlin presented and reviewed the August newsletter.

Manager Laughlin reviewed the draft 2014-2019 Strategic Improvement Plan report.

Public Comment: None

Meeting adjourned at 10:58 A.M.