

**HIGHWAY/BUILDING/GROUNDS/
ENVIRONMENTAL/WELFARE/ZONING
COMMITTEE MINUTES
April 11, 2018**

Present: Phil Schneider, Chairman
Charles DeClerck, Mike McClure, Chad Michel
Absent: Craig Corzine
Others present: Tim Carlson, Cliff Frye, Zach Hicks, Bob DeClerck, Tom Latonis and Jan Bland

The meeting of the Highway/Building/Grounds/Environmental/Welfare/Zoning Committee was called for on Wednesday, April 11, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Christian County Courthouse. The purpose of the meeting was County building issues, highway business and any other matters properly brought before the Committee. There were no public comments.

BUILDING/GROUNDS BUSINESS:
COURTHOUSE AIR CONDITIONING

Maintenance Supervisor Zach Hicks reported that four commercial companies came to bid the project of installation and only two were returned. Several locals companies were contacted and discussed the project, no bids were received. A big issue with the project would have been the work needed to be done at night and scheduling a large project. The two quotes were read: Gibbel Home Services, Inc. at \$36,000 for installation labor and custom sheet metal labor and Henson Robinson Company as detailed not to exceed \$45,000. A motion was made by Phil Schneider and seconded by Charlie DeClerck to accept the low bid from Gibbel of Carlinville and to refer to the Finance Committee. The motion carried.

During the preparation of the A/C project, more ceiling was coming down and landing in the suspended ceiling. This will get worse and Zach is concerned about the weight on the ceiling tiles. They will be emptying them throughout the installation and will paint and replace the suspended system after the project. The cost has not yet been projected, but should not be anything extreme.

Also, noted the jail expansion design bids will be brought to the committee next month.

HIGHWAY BUSINESS:
MFT & Non-MFT BITMINOUS MATERIAL BIDS

Bids were opened and read on Tuesday, April 10, 2018 for MFT and Non-MFT Maintenance Materials to be used by the County and Townships during FY18. Christian County requires all bidders to be prequalified with IDOT where appropriate. Cliff Frye presented tabulation of bids for all items.

- For the County, Counton Petroleum of Maryville was the low bidder on the Non-MFT proposal and groups #3 & 4 of the MFT proposal. Louis Marsch of Morrisonville was the low bidder on groups #1, 2, 5 & 6 of the MFT proposal. A motion was made by Chad

Michel and seconded by Mike McClure to accept the low bids for all items. The motion carried.

- For the Townships. Counton Petroleum was the low bidder on groups #4, 6, 7, 10, 12, 14, 15, 16, 18, 21, 23, 25 & 27 of the MFT proposal. Louis Marsch was the low bidder on groups #1, 2, 5, 8, 9, 11, 13, 17, 19, 20, 22, 24 & 26 of the MFT proposal. A motion was made by Phil Schneider and seconded by Chad Michel to accept the low bids and refer them to the individual Township Highway Commissioner for approval. The motion carried.

A discussion was had about “what if there was a tie” in the bids. The IDOT Local Roads Manual allows the bid to either be split between the bidders or it can be awarded to a single contractor using a random practice such as flipping a coin, drawing cards, rolling dice, etc. We have had tie bids on aggregates in the past and have awarded half to each quarry. This gives us flexibility if one quarry is out of the particular aggregate we need at the time. Further discussion was had regarding the fact that some municipalities have passed a local bid preference ordinance. These ordinances allow for awarding to a local business if it is within a certain percentage of the low bid. The committee was interested in considering this type of ordinance for Christian County if it is deemed allowable.

A motion was made by Mike McClure and seconded by Charles DeClerck to adjourn. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Phil Schneider, Chairman
Buildings/Highway/Environmental Committee