August 17, 2020 Special Meeting Minutes held at the Mahoning Township Building

Members of the Board present: Chairman Bill Lynn, Supervisors, Larry Robertson, TS Scott, Molly Shultz & John Whelan, and Engineer Drew Barton. Also present: Joe Sylvester, Danville News

Chairman Lynn said the reason for this special meeting is to award the bid for the reconstruction of Bald Top Road. We received (4) bids:

RC Young Inc.- \$388,827.45 New Enterprise Stone & Lime - \$455,544.00 Glenn O. Hawbaker Inc. - \$362,365.00 HRI Inc. - \$391,589.00

Engineer Drew Barton said all the bidders met the requirements, all documents are in order and said all four companies are the most reputable in the area. Chairman Lynn said Hawbaker & RC Young can both start right away, however, he raised concerns about Hawbaker's willingness to start the job right away due to the long lead time on box culverts so he would like to award the bid to RC Young, who is more familiar with the work site. Supervisor Whelan said since all contractors meet the requirements, we should go with the lowest bidder or we could have a lawsuit on our hands. Supervisor Whelan motioned to award the contract to Glenn Hawbaker Montoursville, for \$362,365.00, being the lowest bidder and meeting all the requirements. Supervisor Robertson seconded. Chairman Lynn and Supervisor's Shultz, Robertson and Scott all said Nay. Motion failed and is open to a second motion.

Chairman Lynn motioned to select RC Young at \$388,827.45 because they are very familiar with what's under the road. He is concerned Hawbaker will not complete the job on time but because he is the lowest bidder meeting all the requirements, they decided to call Solicitor Jon DeWald, for legal advice. Solicitor Jon recommended proceeding with Hawbaker, since all requirements were met because the township could face a lawsuit over rejecting the low bid. Engineer Drew confirmed the bids have a date for project completion as well as if they don't finish by completion date, they will be charged \$500/day. Supervisor Lynn then withdrew the motion to award the bid to RC Young because we don't want to open ourselves up to a lawsuit but said he expects Hawbaker to start work immediately.

Supervisor Whelan motioned to award the bid to Glenn Hawbaker Montoursville, for \$362,365.00. Supervisor Robertson seconded. Motion passed.

Public Comment:

Resident Bonnie Martin expressed concerns about Hawbaker completing the job on time.

Supervisor Scott motioned to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Whelan seconded. Motion passed.

This meeting was recorded. These minutes reflect the events and dialog during the meeting but are not transcribed verbatim.

All Reports are available at the Township Building

Carolyn Dragano Secretary