

DEKALB COUNTY / NOBLE COUNTY JOINT DRAINAGE BOARD

August 31, 2023

Drainage Board Commissioners Present:

Noble County:

Gary Leatherman, Chairman

Gary Timmerman, Member

DeKalb County:

Bruce Bell II, Vice-Chairman

Bill Hartman, Member

Guests:

James Deetz

Ken Hartman

Others Present:

Glenn Crawford, DeKalb Co. Surveyor

Randy Sexton, Noble Co. Surveyor

Tyler Lanning, DeKalb Co. Lead Survey Tech.

Michelle Lassiter, DB Secr. /Admin. Assist.

Shannon Kruse, Attorney

Troy Bungard, Survey Technician

Absent:Steuben County: James Crawl, 5th Member

Chairman Gary Leatherman called the August 31, 2023, DeKalb County / Noble County Joint Drainage Board meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Bell then asked for a motion to approve the June 22, 2023 minutes. A motion was made by Bruce Bell, II to approve the Minutes of June 22, 2023, as presented as the standard minutes of the Joint DeKalb County/Noble County Drainage Board. The motion was seconded by Jim Crawl, and the motion carried.

Mr. Leatherman asked for the bids for Phase 2 of the William Bickel Tile Drain No. 133-00-0 reconstruction to be opened.

Mr. Crawford reminded the Board that the engineer's estimate for the project had the labor estimated as \$109,207.00, the material estimated as \$134,086.84, and the stone estimated as \$40,810.00 for a total engineer's estimate of \$284,103.84.

Mr. Crawford then opened and read the bid estimates as follows:

Hixson Sand & Gravel Material Bid:

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATED QUANTITY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
A	24" perforated HDPE dual wall drainage tile	2,300±	Lineal Feet	\$14.60	\$33,580.00
B	18" perforated HDPE dual wall drainage tile	1,500±	Lineal Feet	\$8.90	\$13,350.00
C	12" perforated HDPE dual wall drainage tile	3,697±	Lineal Feet	\$4.50	\$16,636.50

D	8" perforated HDPE dual wall drainage tile	270±	Lineal Feet	\$1.95	\$526.50
			HDPE Total		\$64,093.00

Baughman Tile Bid:

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATED QUANTITY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
A	24" perforated HDPE dual wall drainage tile	2,300±	Lineal Feet	\$13.22	\$30,406.00
B	18" perforated HDPE dual wall drainage tile	1,500±	Lineal Feet	\$7.96	\$11,940.00
C	12" perforated HDPE dual wall drainage tile	3,697±	Lineal Feet	\$4.17	\$15,416.49
D	8" perforated HDPE dual wall drainage tile	270±	Lineal Feet	\$2.20	\$594.00
			HDPE Total		\$58,356.49

Tri-County Excavating

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATED QUANTITY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
A	For the complete installation of 24" perforated HDPE dual wall drainage tile	2,300±	Lineal Feet	\$18.00	\$41,400.00
B	For the complete installation of 18" perforated HDPE dual wall drainage tile	1,500±	Lineal Feet	\$16.00	\$24,000.00
C	For the complete installation of 12" perforated HDPE dual wall drainage tile	3,697±	Lineal Feet	\$15.00	\$55,455.00
D	For the complete installation of 8" perforated HDPE dual wall drainage tile	270±	Lineal Feet	\$16.00	\$4,320.00

E	For the reconnection of approximately 8± existing laterals or as may be encountered		Price per	\$200.00	\$1,600.00
F	For the collection of any existing plastic tile encountered during construction and loading into dumpsters provided by the Surveyor's Office		Price per Dumpster full	\$600.00	\$600.00
			Total		\$127,375.00

Knott's Drainage and Excavating

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATED QUANTITY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
A	For the complete installation of 24" perforated HDPE dual wall drainage tile	2,300±	Lineal Feet	\$23.00	\$52,900.00
B	For the complete installation of 18" perforated HDPE dual wall drainage tile	1,500±	Lineal Feet	\$37.00	\$55,500.00
C	For the complete installation of 12" perforated HDPE dual wall drainage tile	3,697±	Lineal Feet	\$28.00	\$103,516.00
D	For the complete installation of 8" perforated HDPE dual wall drainage tile	270±	Lineal Feet	\$26.00	\$7,020.00
E	For the reconnection of approximately 8± existing laterals or as may be encountered		Price per	\$300.00	\$2,400.00
F	For the collection of any existing plastic tile encountered during construction and loading into dumpsters provided by the Surveyor's Office		Price per Dumpster full	\$500.00	\$500.0
			Total		\$221,836.00

Mr. Crawford informed the Board that there were no stone bids received. Mr. Crawford explained that there were gravel pits that did not deliver and that a trucking company had to be hired for stone delivery. He suggested bidding for trucking. Mr. Crawford and Mr. Lanning questioned how to proceed with the stone for the project and asked whether the stone had to be bid. Ms. Kruse after reading through the State Drainage Code regarding competitive bidding requirements stated that the surveyor could re-issue invitations for the bid and open the bids with two Board members present as witnesses.

Mr. Sexton stated that Noble County preferred to always open bids in a Board meeting for transparency.

Ms. Kruse advised that if the bids were going to be opened in the Surveyor's Office a notice be published in the newspaper stating so.

Mr. Timmerman then asked if the Surveyor's Office wished to review the bids for tabulation. Mr. Lanning stated that Kevin Linnemeier of Tri-County Excavating was the lower bidder. Mr. Linnemeier was the contractor for Phase 1 of the drain's reconstruction and has done other work for the DeKalb County Surveyor and the staff was comfortable with working with Tri-County.

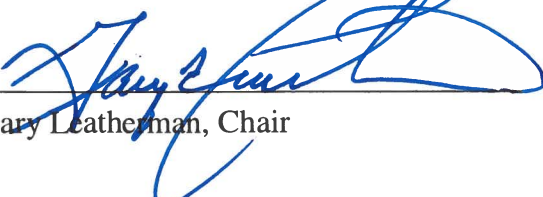
Mr. Leatherman asked Ms. Kruse what would happen if the Board accepted the labor and material bids and the stone bid were to come in over the State Drainage Code's allotted 10% above the engineer's estimate. The Surveyor's staff pointed out that with the labor and material bids, there was a \$81,897.73 availability in the engineer's estimate for the stone bid before the project would go over the 10%. Ms. Kruse asked for how long the labor and material bids were good. Mr. Crawford replied through 2023.


Mr. Sexton stated the Board could accept the labor and material bids contingent on the stone bid pricing. Baughman Tile was the low bidder for material and Tri-County was the low bidder for labor.

Bill Hartman moved to award the labor bid for the phase 2 reconstruction of the William Bickel Drain No. 133-00-0 to Tri-County Excavating and the material bid to Baughman Tile contingent on the stone bid coming in at or below the engineer's estimate. Gary Timmerman seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

It was decided that Mr. Bell and Mr. Hartman would attend the stone bid openings in the DeKalb County Surveyor's office.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:34 a.m.


Gary Leatherman, Chair


Michelle Lassiter, Secretary