

DEKALB COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING

November 2, 2023

Drainage Commissioners Present:

Bruce Bell, II, Chair
Sandra M. Harrison, Vice-Chair
William L. Hartman, Member
Michael V. Watson, Member
James A. Miller, Member

Others Present:

Glenn Crawford, County Surveyor
Tyler Lanning, Lead Survey Tech
Michelle Lassiter, Secr. /Drainage Board Adm.
Troy Bungard, Survey Tech
Shannon Kruse, Attorney via Phone

Guests: None

Absent: None

Chair Bruce Bell, II, called the November 2, 2023, regular meeting of the DeKalb County Drainage Board to order at 8:30 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Sandy Harrison to accept the Minutes of October 26, 2023, as presented as the standard minutes of the DeKalb County Drainage Board. The motion was seconded by Mike Watson, and the motion carried, with Bill Hartman abstaining due to his absence from the October 26, 2023, meeting.

BID OPENING

FRED GROSCUP TILE REGULATED DRAIN NO. 352-00-0

Mr. Crawford began opening the bids:

STONE BIDS (Engineer's Estimate \$40,810.00):

CM Fritch (unsolicited bid):

#8 Stone	\$23.80/per ton x 2188 tons	\$52,074.40
#53/57 Stone	\$20.80/per ton x 15 tons	<u>\$ 312.00</u>
Total		\$52,386.40

Clifford Aggregate:

#8 Stone	\$22.00/per ton x 2188 tons	\$48,136.00
#53/57 Stone	\$20.10/per ton x 15 tons	<u>\$ 301.50</u>
Total		\$48,437.50

Klink Trucking:

#8 Stone	\$21.35/per ton x 2188 tons	\$46,713.80
#53/57 Stone	\$21.25/per ton x 15 tons	<u>\$ 318.75</u>
Total		\$47,032.55

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PIPE & STRUCTURES (Engineer's Estimate \$134,596.61):

Midwest Tile:

Fittings/Couplings	N/A	
30" Metal End Section	\$593.6875/each	\$ 593.6875
30" HDPE Dual Wall Tile, Perforated	\$24.675/per foot x 1941	\$47,894.175
30" Animal Guard	\$370.175/each	\$ 370.175
24" HDPE Dual Wall Tile, Perforated	\$16.695/per foot x 1213	\$20,251.035
60" Diameter Manhole Structure	\$3.667.14/each x 3	\$11,001.420
30" HDPE Dual Wall Tile, Solid	\$23.625/per foot x 1018	<u>\$24,050.250</u>
Subtotal		\$104,160.7425
Freight	\$200.00	<u>\$200.00</u>
Total		\$104,360.7425

Baughman Tile:

Fittings/Couplings	N/A	
30" Metal End Section	\$448.98/each	\$ 448.98
30" HDPE Dual Wall Tile, Perforated	\$20.11/per foot x 1941	\$39,033.51
30" Animal Guard	\$250.00/each	\$ 250.00
24" HDPE Dual Wall Tile, Perforated	\$13.22/per foot x 1213	\$16,035.86
60" Diameter Manhole Structure	N/A	
30" HDPE Dual Wall Tile, Solid	\$20.11/per foot x 1018	<u>\$20,471.98</u>
Total		\$76,240.33

Hixson Sand & Gravel:

Fittings/Couplings	N/A	
30" Metal End Section	N/A	
30" HDPE Dual Wall Tile, Perforated	\$19.78/per foot x 1941	\$38,392.98
30" Animal Guard	N/A	
24" HDPE Dual Wall Tile, Perforated	\$13.59/per foot x 1213	\$16,484.67
60" Diameter Manhole Structure	N/A	
30" HDPE Dual Wall Tile, Solid	\$1978/per foot x 1018	<u>\$20,136.04</u>
Total		\$75,013.69

Core & Main:

Fittings/Couplings	N/A	
30" Metal End Section	\$330.00/each	\$ 330.00
30" HDPE Dual Wall Tile, Perforated	\$26.56/per foot x 1941	\$ 51,552.96
30" Animal Guard	\$210.00/each	\$ 210.00
24" HDPE Dual Wall Tile, Perforated	\$17.82/per foot x 1213	\$ 21,615.66
60" Diameter Manhole Structure	\$2690.00/each x 3	\$ 8,070.00
30" HDPE Dual Wall Tile, Solid	\$26.56/per foot x 1018	<u>\$ 27,038.08</u>
Total		\$108,816.70

LABOR (Engineer's Estimate \$104,973.00):

Knott Drainage & Excavating:

30" HDPE Dual Wall	\$12.50/per foot x 2959	\$36,987.50
24" HDPE Dual Wall	\$12.50/per foot x 1213	\$15,162.50
Installation of Structures	\$2,000/each x 3	\$ 6,000.00
Lateral Connections	\$200.00/each x 6	\$ 1,200.00
Road Crossing	\$4,000.00/each	\$ 4,000.00
Tree Removal & Clearing	\$10,000.00/each	<u>\$10,000.00</u>
Total		\$73,350.00

Fry Excavating:

30" HDPE Dual Wall	\$8.55/per foot x 2959	\$25,299.45
24" HDPE Dual Wall	\$7.22/per foot x 1213	\$ 8,757.86
Installation of Structures	\$5.50/each x 3	\$ 1,650.00
Lateral Connections	\$75.00/each x 6	\$ 450.00
Road Crossing	\$3,225.00/each	\$ 3,225.00
Tree Removal & Clearing	\$4,200.00/each	<u>\$ 4,200.00</u>
Total		\$43,582.31

Mr. Lanning stated that the staff would like time to tabulate the results to make sure the Board was comparing equal bids.

The Board members had some concerns about whether Fry Excavating was able to perform the work needed for the project. Mr. Crawford stated that Sam Fry of Fry Excavating had not done any reconstructions. He had done some maintenance work and had done a good job. Mr. Crawford that Mr. Fry had the equipment needed for the project. Both Mr. Crawford and Mr. Lanning thought Mr. Fry was extremely low on his bid. They thought Mr. Fry had two employees and a part-time employee. Mr. Watson asked the County Surveyor's staff to dig into Mr. Fry's abilities to justify any determination the Board was to make.

SURVEYOR'S REPORT

Mr. Bell asked for the Surveyor's Report and the surveyor's staff provided the following information:

Mr. Crawford informed the Board that State Road 8 would be closed at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 8, 2023, for the road crossing and completion of the reconstruction of the *Guy Platter Tile Regulated Drain No. 112-00-0*.

Mrs. Lassiter informed the Board that she and Mr. Lanning had met with Kathleen Alter and Norm Yoder of the Community Foundation of DeKalb County and Bill Spohn of the Auburn/Waterloo Trail Group to discuss the five variances needed for the trail's expansion. Kathleen and Norm had questioned why the landowners' signatures were needed. After it was explained that two parcels were metes and bounds that went to the centerline of the property they were good with getting the signatures.

DISCUSSION

Mr. Miller asked if a tile on the DeKalb Central FFA farm was a county-regulated drain. Mr. Bungard pulled the property up on the maps and the tile was determined to be a private tile that went under County Road 34. Mr. Miller stated that he would repair the tile for the school.

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Mr. Hartman asked about the *Daniel Hursey South Tile Regulated Drain No. 48-80-0* that crossed property owned by Richard and Charity Wisel. Staff explained that the tile that was reconstructed by the Wisels was done without the Surveyor's or the Drainage Board's permission. The Wisels had been asked to sign a Consent and Waiver to clear up the matter of what was the official county-regulated drain. It was also mentioned that the Wisels would like to have the drain reconstructed north of the railroad tracks. Staff will look into the situation.

There being no further business or discussion, Mr. Bell once again thanked everyone for attending the meeting and declared the meeting adjourned at 9:01 a.m.



Bruce Bell, II, Chairman



Michelle Lassiter, Secretary