

TOWN OF PORTER
Redevelopment Commission Meeting
303 Franklin Street
November 25, 2008

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Al Raffin, Trevin Fowler, Jon Granat, and Dave Babcock and Ron Stone
Also present were Attorney Patrick Lyp, Warren Thiede, Matt Kieser, and Secretary Karen Spanier.
Mr. Genger arrived shortly after roll call.

Engineer Warren Thiede opened sealed bids for the Orchard Pedestrian Bridge Construction. There were 8 bids received;

LaPorte Construction	\$316,500.00	JCI Bridge Corp.	\$498,400.00
Rieth-Riley Construction	\$330,500.00	Kovillic Construction	\$394,000.00
Ellas Construction	\$349,400.00	Engineered Constructors	\$487,939.24
Gariup Construction	\$475,700.00	Albin Carlson & Co.	\$307,580.00

Mr. Thiede will review all bids and make his recommendation to the Commission. Awarding of the bid will be announced at the special meeting on December 2, 2008.

Consideration of Minutes of Previous Meetings

Motion to approve the October 28, 2008 minutes was made by Al Raffin; second by Trevin Fowler.
Motion carried 5-0

Consideration of Claim Docket

Claim docket for the month of November was presented in the amount of \$39,791.31. Motion to approve claim docket as presented was made by Jon Granat. Second was made by Dave Babcock.
Motion carried 5-0.

Audience Participation

None

Reports

None

Old Business

None

New Business

Matt Kieser with the Duneland Group announced three bids were received for the Jackson Blvd. Sidewalk Project.

Rieth-Riley Construction	\$88,765.00	Ryan Construction	\$63,000.00
Rex Construction.	\$114,900.00		

All three bidders had all required documents and Ryan Construction included winter materials in their bid price. He stated the Commission could award bid or hold off until spring and re-advertise for bids. Mr. Babcock made the motion to accept the lowest bid and award contract to Ryan Construction. Mr. Fowler made the second.

The Commission questioned waiting until the spring to start project. Concerns the winter road salt would damage the new concrete.

After discussion, Mr. Fowler retracted his second to the motion and Mr. Babcock withdrew his original motion.

Commission requested Mr. Kieser contact Ryan Construction to ask to hold price of bid until mid April or submit change order.

Bid Awarding tabled until next meeting.

Mr. Theide announced he has received a route change request to the Orchard Pedestrian Way, made by the Porter Park Board. (See Attached)

The Board has concerns of the placement of the new sidewalk stating it would interfere with gazebo rentals. They are requesting the sidewalk be kept along roadway. Mr. Theide stated the change would not delay any construction, but need plans to go back to surveyor.

Mr. Raffin made the motion to approve change as requested. Mr. Babcock made the second.

Motion carried 5-0.

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Jon Granat.

Second was made by Al Raffin.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Mike Genger, President

Albert Raffin, Vice President

Dave Babcock

Jon Granat

Trevin Fowler

Attest: Karen Spanier, Secretary