

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

Date of Meeting: August 23, 2022, at 1:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers

Members Present: Eric Lindman, Anne Jacobson

Also Present: Allen Wesolowski, Lori Wunsch

In compliance with Chapter 19, Wisconsin Statutes, notice of this meeting was posted and received by the *Wausau Daily Herald* in the proper manner.

Approve minutes of the August 16, 2022 meeting

Jacobson moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Lindman seconded and the motion passed.

Open bids and make recommendation for 2022 Wausau Municipal Parking Ramp Repairs – Sears Ramp Rebid

The following bids were received:

Restoration Systems, Inc.	\$263,724.60
RAM Construction Services of MN, LLC	\$269,324.00
Western Construction Group	\$293,135.00
Cy-Con, Inc.	\$321,860.00
Norcon Corporation	\$321,895.00
Berglund Construction Company	\$390,000.00

The budget was \$250,000. Staff will verify budget is available before bringing this item back with a recommendation.

Discussion and possible action on an amendment to the contract with WisDOT and Kapur and Associates, Inc., regarding the Business Campus Bicycle and Pedestrian Trail

This amendment is for additional scope of services and is in the amount of \$9,562.46. The scope of the project was reduced due to cost and there was redesign work by Kapur. Wesolowski added that the redesign work was to scale down the plans and rework the boardwalk.

Lindman moved to approve the contract amendment in the amount of \$9,562.46. Jacobson seconded and the motion passed.

Discussion and possible action on quote from Baumann Lawn Care & Landscaping LLC regarding restoration work at 915 Cedar Street from 2020 Street Construction Project B warranty work

Wesolowski explained this is regarding Cedar Street, which Jake's Excavating completed in 2020. One of the laterals was not right and Jake's had to come back and redo the lateral. The repair was completed but the contractor did not complete the landscaping. The contractor was contacted to complete the landscaping and he said to hire someone else to do it. The landscaping would be completed by Baumann Lawn Care with the bill sent to Jake's Excavating. The cost is \$435 for additional topsoil, seed, fertilizer, and straw.

Jacobson moved to authorize Baumann Lawn Care & Landscaping to complete the restoration work. Lindman seconded and the motion passed.

2022 Street Construction Project A: A-1 Excavating, Inc., Change Order #1

Wesolowski stated A-1 Excavating was awarded this project with Sampson Concrete as their sub for curb and gutter. Work was done on Randolph and Burek to replace the watermain. When that project gets done, they will move to Bugbee, which is a complete reconstruction. We showed some spot curb replacement on Burek and Randolph on the sewer and water plans. This is spot replacement that is hand formed. Curb and gutter on Bugbee will be done with a curb machine. The bid did not differentiate between hand formed and curb machine, which we typically do not. Hand formed work can be 3 times as much versus the curb machine. Sampson and A-1 are requesting more money as it was not clear to them on the plans, or they missed the hand forming on the plans. They cannot do the work for the actual curb bid price. We are requiring them to come in now and complete the hand forming because we want to pave Randolph and Burek. Staff did not change the scope or the plans. Sampson is contending that it was unclear to them, or they missed it.

Marty with Sampson Concrete is asking for a change order because the plan profile showed mainline curb on Bugbee. However, on other streets there are patch pieces that have to be done. This was not clear on the plan profile. He has done this for 43 years and normally the DOT and different cities clearly have this on the plan profile. If they do not want to pay extra for it, they have it as an incidental item to the mainline curb. The patch pieces were on the utility plan and the erosion plan. He never goes to the utility plan; he looks at the plan profile. If he would just assume patch pieces and put it in his bid, the price would be sky high. With a 5-man crew the patch pieces would take all day. A 5-man crew could do 3,000 lineal feet of curb in a day with a machine. If he had known, his bid price would have been \$20-\$25. Usually there is a separate bid item for patch pieces. The issue is that it was not clear on the plan profile and the other streets were not included in the plan. Wesolowski stated the sewer and water sheets were in the plan. Marty had gone back and printed off the sheets. It was not included in the plan profile. Wesolowski noted that the price for hand form work is typically 3 times the price; Sampson's price is almost 5 times. Marty explained his costs for union workers and cost of ready mix. They cannot do patch pieces for \$25. Wesolowski understands it costs more. The question is whether it was clear on the plan or not. It was on the utility plan and other contractors called and asked about the hand formed spots. Discussion followed on the plan set.

Jacobson wants to be fair to the contractor and to the City. She wants to see the details and be educated on the bid before taking action.

Jacobson moved to table this item. Lindman seconded and the motion passed.

Lindman moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Jacobson. Meeting adjourned at approximately 2:00 pm.