

Russell Administration Building

May 8, 2019

Chairman Madden called the meeting to order at 9:30am. Trustee Gabram and Mueller were present. Fiscal Officer Karen Walder and Trustee Assistant Melissa Palmer were also present.

The following Department Head was present: Road Superintendent Gene Layne.

**BID AWARD – COUNTY LINE ROAD:** Mrs. Walder recapped that the Township went out to bid using the Geauga County Engineer's estimate of \$3.65 million total. The Engineer indicated that if the bids were within 10% of the estimate they could award a contract. None of the bids were under the Engineer's estimate, however two of the three bids were within the 10% limit. In preparing the estimate, the Engineer had split costs between Russell Township only, Hunting Valley only, and Russell Township/Hunting Valley split. Mrs. Walder stated that Nick Gorris dropped off the letter and the lowest and best bid was from TRAX Construction of Wickliffe, Ohio, in the amount of \$3,928,563.00. For reference based on the recommended contractors corrected bid, Russell Township is responsible for \$1,339,553.21 of the contract based on the bid amount. The Village of Hunting Valley is responsible for \$2,589,010.43. These amounts are based on the as bid total construction cost, not on the final as built construction cost. Mrs. Walder talked to Shane Hajjar and he said there is no built in contingency. If the Trustees vote to award TRAX Construction they can only charge their bid price. However, their recommendation is that the Township make provisions for a 10% overage. Adding the 10% contingency would result in a project cost for Russell Township of \$1,473,508.00. Mrs. Walder indicated that the Township's appropriations have been completed.

*Mr. Gabram made the motion that the project entitled The Reconstruction of Sections A-C of County Line Road, TR 93, Russell Township and the Village of Hunting Valley, Geauga and Cuyahoga Counties, be awarded to TRAX Construction Co from Wickliffe, Ohio, for the amount of \$3,928,563.70, as recommended by the Geauga County Engineer, pending the approval of finances and transfer of funds by the Village of Hunting Valley. Mr. Mueller seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

*Mr. Mueller made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Gabram seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 am.

Justin Madden, Chairman

Karen Walder, Fiscal Officer

Recorded by: J. Sustar