Duplain Township

Special Meeting: Purpose – Dam Project Update & Awarding Project Manager Contract

August 28, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Bruce Levey, supervisor, at 7:30 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: Bruce Levey, Amy Bowen, Ryan Boots, Robert Ladiski, and Dawn D Levey

Guests Present: Charles Smith, Spicer Group; James Tiffany, J.E. Tiffany & Associates

Agenda: It was moved by A. Bowen to approve the agenda as amended, with the addition of a possible closed session for contract negotiations., supported by R. Ladiski. Approved.

New Business:

- a. Elsie Dam Project Update Press release presented for review.
- b. Grant Status MDNR Fish Passage Grant has been executed; EGLE Dam Risk
- c. Management final agreement in progress; USFWS National Fish Passage Program in the final stages Note: project timeline 10/01/2024-12/31/2027 as indicated by USFWS. GrantSolutions (Federal) paperwork and account complete; and ASAP.gov is in progress, financial information to be submitted.
- d. Four Proposals Received: Q & A with the Spicer Group and J.E. Tiffany & Associates.
 - Geosyntec = \$35,000 appeared incomplete
 - Inter-Fluve = \$196,700
 - J.E. Tiffany & Associates = \$221,080
 - Spicer Group \$228,365.50

It was moved by A. Bowen to enter into closed session for the purpose of reviewing contracts, supported by R. Boots. Approved. 7:51pm.

Returned in open session at 8:04 pm.

Supervisor Levey noted that this was a difficult decision. It was moved by R. Boots, to award the proposal for project manager to the Spicer Group for \$228,365.50, supported by A. Bowen. Approved.

Public Comment: J.E. Tiffany, thanked the board for taking the time to work with him and allow participation.

Adjournment: Moved to adjourn by R. Boots, supported by A. Bowen. Approved. Adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Dawn D Levey, Duplain Township Clerk