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SPECIAL MEETING

June 15, 2016

Chairman William Spellman called the June 15, 2016 special meeting of the Ellsworth Trustees to order at 7:02 p.m. A roll call was taken to establish a quorum: Trustee Robert Toman - present, Vice Chairman Fred Houston – present, Chairman William Spellman – present. Also present were Fiscal Officer James DeCenso and Maintenance Supervisor Matt Stroney. Guests in the audience included Jason Young P.E. and one Township resident. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Chairman Spellman advised the audience that this special meeting is to open construction bids for the 2016 Ellsworth Complex Pavement Rehabilitation Project as advertised on both June 2nd and June 8th, 2016. Chairman Spellman called on Jason Young, P.E. to read aloud the bid(s) received.

Mr. Young advised the Board that one bid was received from Specialized Construction, Inc. of Cuyahoga Heights, Ohio. The bid amount was \$132,710.00. The bid estimate was \$163,080.00. Mr. Young reviewed the bid and determined that the proposal met the standards set in the bid request. He then reviewed the paving process for the Board and the audience.

Mr. Young and Fiscal Officer DeCenso reviewed the bid bond and determined that it did meet the bidding requirement.

The Board then discussed the merits to proceed with the rehabilitation project as proposed. The significant amount of money that would be devoted to this project led the Board to discuss other less expensive alternative paving methods and/or to stimulate more competition from contractors for this project. The Board discussed the cost benefit to proceed with this method. The question was to determine if this method is worth the cost to perhaps add additional life to the parking lot. Mr. Young advised the Board that the bid is valid for 60 days from this meeting. Discussion arose as to the ability of the Township to hold onto this bid while circulating another bid for a less expensive alternative manner and to determine if there is much value difference between alternative methods.

Mr. Young was asked if there is any ability to determine useful life between each paving methods. He said that it is difficult to predict, as the base is the critical factor. There was then discussion with the Board as to the amount of sub pavement repair that is included in the bid. Mr. Young responded that up to 100 square yards is included in the bid.

The Board asked Mr. Young his estimate to supervise this project if selected. He advised that he thought the project supervision would require 20 to 30 hours at \$100.00 per hour.

After extensive discussion, the Board decided not to take any action until the next regular Board meeting. They also decided to request a legal opinion as to the ability of the Township to advertise for bids, alternative methods while holding open the existing bid opened this evening.

Chairman Spellman announced that the next regular meeting would be held Wednesday July 13, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

At 8:20 p.m. Trustee Toman made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Houston seconded the motion. The vote was all in favor.

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