

The Board met in due form with the following members present: Michael Repay Jerry Tippy and They passed the following orders, to wit:

The Pledge was given, there was moment of Silence and Roll Call was made, there were two(2) Commissioners present.

A courtesy copy of the agenda and notice of this meeting was emailed by Matthew Cruz to the Times in Munster and Crown Point, the Post Tribune in Merrillville and Crown Point, WJOB Radio Station, the Star, WLTH Radio Station, Comcast Cable, the Calumet Press, Portage Journal News, Pilcher Publishing and the Gary Law, Channel 21 media on the 21st day of February, 2023 at about 10:00 a.m.

A copy of the meeting notice and agenda was posted at the entrance of the Commissioner's courtroom on the 21st day of February, 2023 at about 10:00 a.m.

Public Virtual Conference: WebEx Meeting ID: 263 301 69304 Password: commissioners

Order #1

In the Matter of Public Opening Of Vendor Responses To Request Bids And Quotes: 2.1 Rehabilitation of Lake County Bridge #243.

Tippy made a motion to allow the opening of bids and quotes received, Repay seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0, 1absent.

Order #2

In the Matter of Action To Form Contracts: Commissioners: Award and Approve to W.G.N. Flag & Decorating Co. in the amount of \$5,400.00 for repairs, supplies, truck use and labor hours to repair flag poles. (A second quote from T.O. Flag Services Inc. was received in the amount of \$3,953.50 but was insufficient in supplies).

Upon brief discussion, Commissioner Tippy recommended the Board consider purchasing back-up Flags so that they can be replaced immediately, Repay agreed and commented, Tippy made a motion to approve the award for \$5,400.00 to W.G.N. Flag & Decorating Co., for repairs, supplies, truck use and labor hours to repair flag poles, Repay seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0, 1absent.

Order #3

In the Matter of Public Opening Of Vendor Responses To Request Bids And Quotes: 2.1 Rehabilitation of Lake County Bridge #243.

This being the day, time and place for the receiving of bids for the Rehabilitation of Lake County Bridge #243 for Highway Department, the following bids were received:

Gariup Construction Co., Inc. \$1,569,500.00

Tippy made a motion to take the above-mentioned bid under advisement for further tabulation and recommendation, Repay seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0, 1absent.

Comes now, Commissioner Tippy, asked Highway Engineer, "is this a complete replacement?", Duane, answered, "no, it's a Bridge rehabilitation", Tippy continued and asked, "so by rehabilitation you're fixing some of it?", Duane, replied, "this is a (inaudible) filled concrete arch, it's north Lake Street over Grand Calumet, so we're going to take the deck off and put a brand new deck on and widen it out put new sidewalks on, new railings on, we're going to try to match the railings that are there now that's existing to try to preserve the nature of the Bridge, and this is being done in conjunction with the City of Gary's reconstruction of Lake Street, north Lake Street, so that includes a lot of utility relocation..." Repay, commented, "so it's rehabbed in part because of it's historical significance or the desire to keep it's historical look", Duane continued, "the desire to keep the historical look there and we don't need to replace the whole concrete arch", Repay continued, "there's not an issue with the concrete arch", Duane responded, "no, we're going to preserve the concrete arch, part of the project was to preserve (inaudible), it's not on the historical register but it is of historical nature", Repay, "thank you for that, you expect to have a recommendation for our next meeting, is that right", Duane, "yes", end discussion.

Order #4

In the Matter of Comments – Members of the Public; Elected Officials; Commissioners.

There were none.

The next Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 22, 2023 at 10:00 A.M.

There being no further business before the Board at this time, Tippy made a motion to adjourn, Repay seconded.

The following officials were Present:

MICHAEL REPAY, PRESIDENT

absent
KYLE ALLEN Sr., COMMISSIONER

JERRY TIPPY, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

PEGGY H. KATONA, LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR