

**Hamiltonban Township, Adams County
and
Franklin Township, Adams County
Board of Supervisors
Special Meeting
December 28, 2017**

HAMILTONBAN TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS PRESENT: Bob Gordon, LuAnn Dille, Coleen Reamer, Douglas Woerner, and Edward Deardorff

HAMILTONBAN TOWNSHIP STAFF AND CONSULTANTS: Township Solicitor, Matthew Battersby; Township Secretary/Treasurer, Nina Garretson; and Roadmaster, Ray Herr.

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS PRESENT: JR Crushong and Chris Santay

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP STAFF AND CONSULTANTS: Roadmaster, Jeffrey Black; Road Crew, Curt MacBeth, Larry Dillon, and Dale Byers.

OTHERS PRESENT: D. Brad Martin, Matt Williams, Scott Seacrest, Rick Seacrest, and Ed Fitzgerald.

The meeting, held at the Hamiltonban Township, 23 Carrolls Tract Rd, Fairfield, PA. At 6:00 PM Chairman Gordon called the meeting to order and welcomed the public. The meeting is being recorded for the sole purpose as a review aid in compiling the written minutes. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Chairman Gordon began discussion giving history and background of the Hickory Bridge Road Bridge Repair. In March 2013 Hamiltonban Township and Franklin Township entered into agreement to have an engineering study done on both the Hickory Bridge Road Bridge and Moritz Jack Road Bridge at a cost share of \$2,500.00. The Hamiltonban Township Engineer, C.S. Davidson gave a cost of \$26,600 for repairs plus costs for engineering and permits study. KPN Network (through CoStars) was discussed, however after much discussion it was decided not to use them. LoBar gave a proposal at a cost of \$36,934 for repairs based on study. In June 2016 Franklin Township took the lead in the project. KPI did a load capacity study in June of 2016 at a cost of \$4,000. After hearing from Bridge Engineer, both Hamiltonban and Franklin Townships passed Ordinances and posted the bridge for weight limits and safety concerns. In November 2016 KPI provided estimates at that time for two lane at \$115,840 and one lane \$92,840. Bids were put out, and LoBar was the only bidder at over \$150,000. Both boards rejected the bid since so far over budget. Recently rebid through PennLine which received five bids with the lowest being \$137,706. At the last meeting of Hamiltonban Township the board approved the bid. At the last meeting of Franklin Township the board tabled the subject and requested more discussion.

Chairman Gordon said the Hamiltonban Township board after discussion does not want to go into the project in-house, due to staff labor shortage and liability. Franklin Township presented a proposal for a box culvert at \$95,785. Supervisor Crushong stated the engineered bridge would be outsourced to a company such as Keystone Concrete. That the Township would not be

building or installing. KPI Inc., the Franklin Township Engineer, would do the study and as Township Engineer would inspect.

Supervisor Santay said the finished bridge would be finished with over 20 ft for a two lane bridge. The timeline would be much better and faster in approximately five (5) weeks. He stated they will not charge labor to Hamiltonban Township as the two townships work together. Plans would call for water to be diverted by pipe, with further discussion on equipment. There will be a maintenance bond, and an 18 month performance bond. The Hamiltonban Solicitor directed that everything must be bid out.

Supervisor Deardorff said all state specifications and permits must be met. Appropriate detours posted and that ideal timing is when school is out. Franklin Township Roadmaster Black said the box culvert would actually be twenty-four (24) feet wide and calls for installing new guard rails. An adjustment on the Hamiltonban Township side of the bridge will be necessary due to lean, and so there is no ponding of water. They would be working behind old headwalls and the Franklin Township Engineer will have drawings. Supervisor Reamer requested a formal scope of services with Engineer fees.

Solicitor Battersby suggest the Franklin Township Solicitor draw up inter-municipal agreement. Both Boards were in agreement that this should be completed in the summer of 2018.

Motion made by Hamiltonban Township Supervisor Deardorff to rescind and reject the low bid previously approved motion by the Board of Supervisors on December 5, 2017 by CriLon from Somerset, PA, with a bid of \$137,706, and to reject all bids. Vice-Chairman Woerner Seconded. The motion unanimously passed.

Motion made by Franklin Township Supervisor Chris Santay to reject the low bid by CriLon from Somerset, PA, with a bid of \$137,706, and to reject all bids. Seconded by Supervisor Crushong. The motion unanimously passed.

At 6:35 PM Vice-Chairman Woerner motioned to adjourn the Meeting. Supervisor Deardorff seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ATTESTED BY:

Nina Garretson
Secretary/Treasurer

Robert L. Gordon
Chairman