

**TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION CONFERENCE CALL MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 9, 2015 – 9:30 A.M.
BECKER-HANSEN BUILDING – 700 EAST BROADWAY
PIERRE, SD**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT VIA PHONE: Donald Roby, Vice Chairman
Ralph Marquardt, Member
Ronald Rosenboom, Member
Edward Seljeskog, Member
Rodney Fouberg, Member
Timothy Dougherty, Member
Kathy Zander, Member

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Larry Thompson, Member
Robert Benson, Chairman

DOT STAFF PRESENT: Darin Bergquist, Joel Jundt (via phone), Greg Fuller, Sam Weisgram, Kristi Sandal, Paul Knofczynski, Stevie Underberg, Kelly VanDeWiele, and Patricia Saukel

GUEST PRESENT VIA PHONE: Greg Branaugh, Owner of D&G Concrete Construction, Inc.

In the absence of Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Roby called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m. Roll call was taken and a quorum was determined.

Secretary Bergquist began the meeting by briefing the Commission that since their last meeting, the state changed over to the 80 mile per hour speed limit. He said from everything that he has seen, heard and read that it went smoothly and has not been made aware of any problems occurring.

Joel Jundt, Director of the Division of Planning and Engineering introduced Sam Weisgram to present the following bid letting results that were deferred from the March 26, 2015 Commission meeting:

March 18, 2015 Letting

**Urban Grading, Curb & Gutter, Roadway Lighting, Sidewalk, ADA Upgrades,
Storm Sewer, AC Surfacing**

1 02R9 P 0020(117)254

Potter, Walworth County

SD20 from 0.4 miles West of Main Street to South of 7th Ave in Hoven
REJECTED BY THE SDDOT COMMISSION

Sanitary Sewer and Watermain Improvement

2 X03F A 5735() Potter, Walworth County
SD20 - from 148th Street to South of 7th Ave in Hoven
REJECTED BY THE SDDOT COMMISSION

The analysis process for Bid #1 and #2 was ongoing at the time of the 3/26/2015 meeting and was deferred until the 4/9/2015 Commission meeting. The low bid is considered high for the work being completed and the city is not in a favorable position to move forward. Because of revisions that can be made to reduce the costs, it was recommended to reject Bid #1 and #2.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Fouberg to reject Bid #1 and #2 and seconded by Seljeskog. After brief discussion, roll call resulted in all voting aye and motion carried.

March 25, 2015 Letting

Urban Grading, Roadway Lighting, Storm Sewer, Curb & Gutter, Sidewalk, Traffic Signals, PCC Surfacing; Deck Overlay, Approach Slabs, Approach Guardrail & Berm Repair

1 6926 NH 0050(99)381 Yankton County
SD50 east of 4th Street, from the south Jct of US81 east to Ferdig Ave in Yankton
REJECTED BY THE SDDOT COMMISSION

City Utilities

2 X03G ES 2014 003() Yankton County
SD50/East 4th Street, from the south jct of US81 East to Ferdig Ave in Yankton
REJECTED BY THE SDDOT COMMISSION

The analysis process for Bid #1 and #2 was ongoing at the time of the 3/26/2015 Commission meeting and was deferred until the 4/9/2015 Commission meeting. The low and only bid on Bid #1 and #2 was considered high for the work being completed. The Department has considered the projects to re-let and have found some possibilities to improve bid results for the contract. Considering the single bid received, the prices and options for re-letting the project, the Department recommended reject of Bids #1 and #2.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Fouberg to reject Bid #1 and #2 and seconded by Rosenboom. As part of the discussion, Greg Branaugh, owner of the D&G Concrete Construction, Inc., gave testimony via phone expressing his views on his bid. He explained that he believed it to be extremely low for a two year project and that it had

been a competitive offer, especially among his nine subcontractors. He stated that \$7 million dollars out of the \$11 million was very competitive.

There was considerable discussion among the Commission members regarding the timing of the project - if it were to begin now vs. re-letting it as well as the high amount of the bid itself.

After discussion concluded, a roll call vote resulted in Roby, Dougherty, Fouberg, Rosenboom, Seljeskog, and Zander voting aye. Marquardt voted nay. Voting tallied as 6-1 in favor of rejection and motion carried.

Weisgram presented the latest bid results since the last Commission meeting (3/26/2015) as follows:

April 1, 2015 Letting

Grading, Storm Sewer, Curb & Gutter, Structures, PCC Surfacing, Signals, & Lighting

1	00KB NH 0100(103)417 T & R CONTRACTING INC SD100 from Madison Street to Maple Street in Sioux Falls	Minnehaha County \$8,898,980.84
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Watermain & Sanitary Sewer

2	X03Q CIP NO. 11067() T & R CONTRACTING INC 6th St. from Highline Ave. to Hwy 100, and Hwy 100 from 6th St. to south of Maple St.	Minnehaha County \$1,942,675.59
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Cold Milling Asphalt Concrete, Asphalt Concrete Resurfacing, Pipe Repair, Permanent Signing, & Rapid Rate Flashers

3	04E3, 04WJ NH 0014(197)267, P 0045(53)111 Anderson Western Inc. US14 from the Hughes/Hyde County Line east through Miller to the concrete section east of Miller & SD45 from the south City Limits of Miller north of the west US14 Jct.	Hand, Hyde County \$8,924,835.34
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Cold Milling Asphalt Concrete & Asphalt Concrete Resurfacing

4	034V IM 0902(157)94 BORDER STATES PAVING INC I90 EBL & WBL from 3.6 miles west of Exit 99 to the US14 Exit	Pennington County \$14,319,127.08
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Structure & Approach Grading

5 00JN BRO 8027(11) Gregory County
MIDWEST CONTRACTING LLC \$230,557.75
County Road 4.2 miles east & 2.8 miles north of Bonesteel over North Scalp
Creek

Structures & Approach Grading (4 -12'X12' CIP RCBC and 395' Prestressed Girder Bridge)

6 02S7 NH 0073(63)182 Perkins County
HEAVY CONSTRUCTORS INC \$6,535,663.03
SD73 3.4 miles north of the Meade Co Line over Flint Rock Creek & 11.5 miles
north over Moreau River

Grading & Base Course

7 5732 P 6111(01) Beadle County
Midland Contracting, Inc \$2,678,284.04
County Road from US14 6 miles west of Huron, north 18 miles on 394 Ave to
Spink Co Line/SD28 (Broadland Road / CR-15)

Grading, C&G, Sidewalk, Storm Sewer, Cold Milling AC, & AC Surfacing

8 03DM P 4243(03) Codington County
McLaughlin & Schulz, Inc. \$1,673,674.25
19th St NE from 1st Ave NE to 14th Ave NE in Watertown

PCC & CRC Pavement Repair

9 052K IM-P 0022(56) Lincoln, Minnehaha County
INTERSTATE IMPROVEMENT, INC. \$3,808,331.77
Various Routes in the Sioux Falls Area

Curb Ramp Upgrades, Sidewalk, Lighting, & Retaining Wall

10 02VG P 0073(00)92 Haakon County
Ti-Zack Concrete, Inc. \$693,911.05
SD73 through Phillip

Asphalt Concrete Surface Treatment

11 048C, 0573 P 0033(20), P 6063(03) Jones, Lyman, Mellette, Todd, Tripp County
Simon Contractors of South Dakota \$1,874,781.41
Various Routes in the Winner Area

Asphalt Concrete Crack Sealing

12 048J P 0021(154) Charles Mix, Douglas, Gregory, Miner, Sanborn County
Highway Improvement Inc \$269,318.70
Various Routes in the Mitchell Area

Asphalt Concrete Crack Sealing

13 05C0, 048U IM 0022(57), P 0044(178)362 Hutchinson, Lincoln, Minnehaha County
Highway Improvement Inc \$176,502.92
Various locations in the Mitchell and Yankton Areas

Cold Milling Asphalt Concrete, Asphalt Concrete Resurfacing, & Culvert Work

14 0387 P 0046(63)318 Bon Homme, Yankton County
SPENCER QUARRIES INCORPORATED \$1,758,729.53
SD46 from SD25 to east of the Bon Homme/Yankton County Line

Asphalt Concrete Surfacing, Guardrail & Permanent Signing

15 04WW P 0010(112)351 Roberts County
BITUMINOUS PAVING INC \$2,286,789.80
SD10 from east of the Marshall/Roberts County Line to Sisseton

Cold Applied Plastic Pavement Markings

16 02MS PH 0040(17) Custer County
Dakota Traffic Services, LLC \$135,060.00
Variious Locations in the Rapid City Area

A MOTION WAS MADE by Marquardt to approve Bids #1, #2, #3, #4, #5, #6, #7, #8, #11, #12, #13, #14, #15, #16 and seconded by Rosenboom. Roll call vote resulted in all ayes and motion carried.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Seljeskog to approve Bid #9 and seconded by Fouberg. Roll call vote resulted in all ayes and motion carried.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Fouberg to approve Bid #10 and seconded by Seljeskog. Roll call voted resulted in all ayes and motion carried.

Discussion occurred among the Commission members about the 80 mile per hour speed limit that was enacted on April 1, 2015. There was concern expressed by Commissioner Seljeskog that he is getting quite a bit of negative complaints about the new limit. Seljeskog brought up the rubber tire warranty issue on trucks and that there needs to be more discussion among the Commission members at the next two meetings. Roby suggested that the DOT and Commission members collect comments to filter them through to the Commission. Dougherty asked how this can be put on the next agenda. Bergquist noted that the issue is slated to be on the agenda for the next Commission meeting and asked the Commission members to bring their comments regarding their specific sections of the interstate to the next meeting.

With no other business to come before the Commission, A MOTION WAS MADE to adjourn the meeting by Marquardt and seconded by Fouberg. All voted aye and motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 10:12 a.m.

Submitted by:

Patricia A. Saukel
Recording Secretary

Approved by:

Darin P. Bergquist
Secretary, Department of Transportation