

Special Class V Roads Study Committee
Minutes
July 1, 2014

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Present: Fred Stearns, Mike Smith, Dan Brand, Sue MacKenzie, Bill Malcolm, Jim Jenks. Guest Adam Ricker, UVLSRPC

Meeting called to order at 5:07 PM This meeting is to select an engineering firm for the Goose Pond Road Project.

We asked each member to name the top two firms they recommend and why.
9 proposals received and evaluated by all.

Dan: CLD- excellent understanding of geogrid and road base issues.

DG group excellent approach, excellent discussion of handling of water. But problem of project engineer's experience- mostly in water projects. Other engineers looked good, felt it was an excellent proposal.

Jim: CLD excellent, willing to negotiate, if cost are less he will bill less. Has had excellent experience with this firm. Has already approached state re permits.

Personnel experience with engineer and highly recommends him.

DG group excellent proposal, ? extra expenses, travel, lodging etc. Adding all up would come close to CLD's bid.

Mike: CLD- more detailed, Has worked with engineer, likes and trusts him, he is well versed in state people, able to facilitate permits and minimize cost. Both groups well versed in complexity of road. Expressed what the problems are and how would they solve them. Stated his cost would not exceed his BID.

DG Group; good detail and understanding of project complexity,

Bill: DG Group, good understanding of complexity, good explanation of how they would use subcontractors. Liked budgeting plan. This is his top pick. Liked that project engineer would be the one doing the initial survey.

Sue: I listed criteria I was looking for in evaluating process and scored each proposal based on their discussion.

DG Group came in very high, liked discussion and understanding of complexity.

DG also commented on Baker Hill intersection and would plan to include in plan to remedy safety issue.

CLD also came in very high- like discussion of complexity.

Clearly committee unanimously choose CLD and DG

Discussion: 2 lowest bids were incomplete, not giving costs of geotechnical studies etc. All agree we need to check references. Need to ask about projects that did not go well. Need to ask how close did their projects come to bid price. Both willing to negotiate. Suggestion was made to bring in the two top firms for an interview. Will schedule for Monday July 7th at 6 PM and 6:30 PM. Will prepare questions about cost, willingness to negotiate and how they would handle change orders, both those requested by us and

them. How flexible are you to be available to be hired on an hourly basis for other projects.

Continuing into regular roads meeting:

Decisions 2014:

Discussion: Baker Hill more heavily traveled than Market Street or Pinnacle. Run off from drive at top of hill causing erosion of roadside and putting a large portion of pavement at risk. Goose Pond Road should be Chip Sealed first until we can be sure the drains are going to work. Money needs to be spent on Baker Hill. Only 2 companies do Chip Sealing right. Allstate and ? Gorham. Info from Allstate- Baker Hill and Acorn and a section of Goose Pond should be done after shimming and waiting 3 months for curing. Submitted an estimate for 2015. Heavy trucking is taking a toll on Goose Pond Road, Hanover Highway Department is heavy user of GPR. July 14 will be doing chip sealing/crack sealing in Hanover. Chip Seal Pico to Hanover line. Sense of the meeting is if we put 2 inches of asphalt on Baker to Pico it will not hold and the pavement will crack again. Not a good use of paving funds. Drains had not been cleared in several years and there is evidence of water under the road. Allstate will not chip seal Baker to Pico without shimming first. Need another company to weigh in. Market Street heavily cracked, ? does it need to be repaved. Grind and repave. An engineering evaluation would be very helpful. Hopefully the firm we hire will be willing to help us with other projects. on a per diem basis. Discussion of grinding, how many passes are needed to get the material into a usable form?

Action Needed:

- A. Contact Hanover ask them to decrease volume of heavy traffic on GPR. Sue
- B. Is there a state spec for grinding? size vs # of passes Sue
- C. Address water run off from drive at top of Baker Hill. Fred and Jim
- D. Replace culvert on Baker Hill and repair pavement of all 0.5 miles of hill. Fred and Jim
- E. My tape ran out and I cannot remember anything else.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM

Next meeting July 17, 2014

Respectfully submitted by

//Susan MacKenzie