

Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE OF STORM WATER DISCHARGE

Keokuk County plans to submit a Notice of Intent to the Iowa Department of Natural Resources to be covered under the NPDES General Permit No. 2 - Storm Water Discharge Associated with Industrial Activity for Construction Activities.

The storm water discharge will be from Cleaning out road ditches on Keokuk Washington road, located in Sections 24 and 25 in T77N, R10W Keokuk County and Sections 23 and 26 in T77N, R09W Washington County. Storm water will be discharged from 11 point sources and will be discharged to the following streams: Smith Creek, Lime Creek, English River.

Comments may be submitted to the Storm Water Discharge Coordinator, Iowa Department of Natural Resources, Environmental Services Division, 502 E. 9th Street, Des Moines, IA 50319-0034. The public may review the Notice of Intent from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the above address after it has been received by the department.

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PROCEEDINGS: Keokuk Co.

KEOKUK COUNTY BOARD PROCEEDINGS MARCH 23, 2020

The Keokuk County Board of Supervisors met in regular session, Monday, March 23, 2020 in the Board Room of the Courthouse. Present were: Michael Berg (by phone), Michael C. Hadley, Daryl Wood and Christy Bates, County Auditor.

Hadley moved, Berg seconded to approve the agenda. All ayes and motion carried. Also present was Amber Thompson, County Attorney.

Berg moved, Wood seconded to approve the minutes of March 16, 2020 as submitted. All ayes and motion carried.

Wood moved, Berg seconded to ratify the resolution regarding Courthouse closure to the public due to COVID-19 as submitted. All ayes and motion carried. Emergency steps were taken March 18, 2020, on behalf of employees and citizens of Keokuk County, following Gov. Reynolds March 17th announcement issuing a State Public Health Disaster Emergency and directives thereof. Employees will continue to report to work and serve the public to the best of our ability under these circumstances. Contact individual offices with inquiries. Business hours are 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. with the exception of the Engineer's Office which are 7:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Drop boxes are available for public use between the hours of 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. and are securely located inside the east doors of the Courthouse.

Berg moved, Wood seconded to ratify the Keokuk County Emergency Declaration presented by Larry Smith, Emergency Management Coordinator, that allowed him to proceed with emergency measures. All ayes and motion carried. Hadley signed and Bates attested said document on March 18, 2020 as requested.

Met with Casey Clarahan, Assistant to the Engineer, regarding the Keokuk County Highway Department.

Wood moved, Berg seconded approval of purchase agreement for an easement for public highway for the culvert replacement project north of What Cheer at the intersection of 160th Street and 120th Avenue as submitted. All ayes and motion carried.

Wood moved, Berg seconded to table approval of Personnel Report for hire of Michael Schafer, full-time jailer/dispatcher, Sheriff's Department until the pre-employment physical was passed. All ayes and motion carried.

Wood moved, Berg seconded approval of Personnel Report regarding hire of Stephanie Long, Treasurer's Clerk, with salary of \$33,393.10 and March 30, 2020 as date of hire. All ayes and motion carried.

Berg moved, Wood seconded to appoint Board of Supervisors Chairman Hadley, County Attorney Thompson and County Auditor Bates to the Courthouse Security Committee and authorize said individuals to take charge of details regarding emergency situations that do not warrant formal Board action. All ayes and motion carried. Emergency Management Coordinator Smith and County Assessor Sanders entered the Boardroom at approximately 9:10 a.m.

Various board and committee reports were held. Wood discussed Keokuk County's plan of action with neighboring County Supervisors regarding the declared health and safety emergency situation by phone. Berg participated in an Iowa Workforce teleconference. Hadley met with Semco representative regarding financial matters last week.

Discussion of old/new business and public comment was held. Treasurer Edmundson clarified, contrary to rumor, real estate taxes have not been suspended, only the due date was extended to April 16, 2020 without penalty. She also stated the tax sale will be held on-line this year. Assessor Sanders informed he is suspending property visits until April 6, 2020. To comply with the open meeting law, participation is encouraged by phone to protect employees and citizens from the spread of COVID-19 with a directive placed on the agenda as well.

Discussion regarding schedule of Board of Supervisors' meetings was held regarding continuance of weekly meetings or change to 1st and 3rd Monday of each month to coincide with the claim schedule. Board consensus was to continue with weekly meetings.

On vote and motion Hadley adjourned the meeting at 9:40 a.m.

The above and foregoing information is a summary of the minutes taken at the above indicated meeting. The full and complete set of minutes is available at the Keokuk County Auditor's Office and www.keokukcountyia.com.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

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Project Number: L-2020(1)--73-54

Sealed bids will be accepted by the County Engineer of Keokuk County at their office in Sigourney, Iowa, until 11:00 AM, on Wednesday, May 6, 2020 for the various items of construction work listed below.

A Certified check, made payable to the County, or a Cashier' check, made payable to either the County or to the contractor, drawn upon a solvent bank or a bid bond, shall be filed with each proposal in an amount as set forth in the proposal form. Cashier' check, made payable to the contractor, shall contain an unqualified endorsement to the County signed by the contractor or his authorized agent. Failure to execute a contract and file an acceptable bond and Certificate of Insurance within 30 days of the date of the approval for awarding of the contract, as herein provided, will be just and sufficient cause for the denial of the award and the forfeiture of the proposal guaranty.

Plans, specifications and proposal forms for the work may be seen and may be secured at County Engineer's Office at 101 S Main St, Sigourney, IA, 52591-1419

All proposals must be filed on the forms furnished by the County, sealed and plainly marked. Proposals containing any reservations not provided for in the forms furnished may be rejected, and the County Board reserves the right to waive technicalities and to reject any or all bids.

Attention of bidders is directed to the Special Provisions covering the qualifications of bidders and subletting or assigning of the contract.

As a condition precedent to being furnished a proposal form, a prospective bidder must be on the current Iowa Department of Transportation or local county list of qualified bidders; except that this requirement will not apply when bids are received solely for materials, supplies, or equipment.

KEOKUK County shall issue sales tax exemption certificates through the Iowa Department of Revenue and Finance to the successful bidder and an subcontractors to enable them to purchase qualifying materials for the project free of sales tax.

The County, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C. 2000d to 2000d-4 and Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, Nondiscrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin inconsideration for an award.

Description of the Proposed Work : L-2020(1)--73-54

On Keokuk - Washington Road from Hwy 22 South Approx. 2 miles grading and surfacing

Description	Units	Quantity
Topsoil, Strip, Salvage And Spread	Cy	1718.0
Reshaping Ditches	Sta	58.00
Reconstruction Of Roadbed	Sta	105.70
Relocation Of Mail Boxes	Each	4
Granular Surfacing On Road, Class A Crushed Stone	Ton	6902.0
Safety Closure	Each	2
Traffic Control	LS	1.00
Mobilization	LS	1.00
Mulching	Acre	2.4
Slope Protection, Wood Excelsior Mat	Sq	56.0
Seeding And Fertilizing (Rural)	Acre	2.4
Stabilizing Crop - Seeding And Fertilizing	Acre	2.4
Perimeter And Slope Sediment Control Device, 12 In. Dia	LF	420.0
Mobilizations, Erosion Control	Each	1
Mobilizations, Emergency Erosion Control	Each	1

Total Proposal Guaranty is \$6,500.00; 25 Working Days; Late Start Date: 7/6/2020; \$500.00/Day Liquidated Damages.

STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS OF THE IDOT, SERIES 2015, AND CURRENT SUPPLEMENTAL SPECIFICATIONS SHALL APPLY.

Approved by the Keokuk County Board of Supervisors at their regular session on 3/30/2020.

By: Christy Bates, Keokuk County Auditor

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