

HANOVER TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

May 1, 2024  
7:00 P.M.

Present: Councilmen Heimbecker, Lawlor, Rossi, Woolley, Paulus; J. Jackson Eaton, III, Esquire; Kevin Chemic, P.E.; Melissa A. Wehr; Vicky Roth

Absent: 0

Attendance: 2

Opening of Bids: 1. Bid No. 2024-01, Marcon Blvd. Sanitary Sewer Project  
2. Bid No. 2024-03, Design Consultation for the D&L Trail

1. Bid No. 2024-01, Marcon Blvd. Sanitary Sewer Project

Joao & Bradley Construction Co. Inc., 4211 Tracy Lane, Bethlehem, PA  
at \$335,085.00 with a 10% Bond

RIII Construction Inc., 600 Creamery Road, Nazareth, PA 18064 at \$324,308.10  
with a 10% Bond

RLE Enterprises, 457 N. Main Street, Moscow, PA 18444 at \$374,293.20 with a  
10% Bond

Wexcon Inc., 379 Tilden Road, Mohrsville, PA 19541 at \$384,214.00 with a  
10% Bond

Motion: I move we award Bid 2024-01, Marcon Blvd. Easement Sanitary Sewer Lining and Replacement to RIII Construction Inc. in the amount of \$324,308.10 Subject to the Review of the Township Engineer.

Paulus, Woolley: Moved and Seconded  
Heimbecker, Rossi, Woolley, Paulus:

Aye

Unan.

2. Bid No. 2024-03, Design Consultation for the D&L Trail – Hanover Section

Michael Baker International, Two City Center, 645 W. Hamilton Street, Suite 206,  
Allentown, PA at \$299,758.00

Navarro & Wright Consulting Engineers Inc., 151 Reno Avenue, New Cumberland,  
PA at \$479,640.00

Wilson Consulting Group, 100 Old Schoolhouse Lane, Mechanicsburg, PA at  
\$242,905.00

The Attorney stated this was something that required public bid. It was clearly stated in the documents. This is not necessarily to award to the possible lowest bidder. Professional contracts are not subject to that. There will be a review by the Township and perhaps negotiations with any of these bidders depending upon their abilities and so forth. There was a criteria of various components that was included in the bid package that would be used for determination. The Manager will determine the group to review it. At this point, the bids are accepted for consideration and review by the Township. The Attorney said that the Government wants us to have a public bidding but does not require that we accept the lowest, responsible bidder. The City of Allentown has gone through this and they have a process that you submit your qualifications in various areas, i.e. what have you done prior like this in the past, what is your ability to handle a job of this size, etc. Ultimately, this comes back to Council. The Township staff makes the recommendation. The Manager stated that the goal is to bring this back on the Agenda for the next Council Meeting dated May 15, 2024.

Motion: I move we accept the three (3) bids for consideration by Committee (consisting of Township Manager, Township Attorney, Township Public Works Supervisor and D & L Representative) for recommendation to Township Council.

Paulus, Rossi: Moved and Seconded  
Heimbecker, Rossi, Woolley, Paulus:

Aye Unan.

Courtesy of the Floor: None.

Approval of Minutes: Council Meeting April 17, 2024

Motion: I move we waive the reading of the April 17, 2024 Council Meeting Minutes and accept same as presented.

Paulus, Woolley: Moved and Seconded  
Lawlor:  
Heimbecker, Rossi, Woolley, Paulus:

Abstained  
Aye

Reports:

1. Melissa A. Wehr  
Township Manager

The parks are booking up quickly with a few available dates open. The second weekend in October ends the season for our park rentals.

More reservations continue to come in and will typically fill up by end of park season.

We have the Movies in the Park scheduled with the first one showing of Migration on May 31 at dusk at Canal Park. We thank our sponsors, Lehigh-Northampton International Airport and Keystone Consulting Engineers.

A Councilman thanked the Manager for a copy of the Township's yearly Audit and commended her on a job well done. He asked if it was possible to see the other municipalities' financial audits that are part of the intermunicipal agreement and also requested to see certifications from them and our EMS and Fire and their EMS and fire.

2. Kevin Cimic, P.E.  
Township Engineer

The contractor has started on the MS4 Stormwater Projects at the swale along Postal Rd. at the municipal garage then onto Canal Park and Allendale swale.

The Township received a report of a blocked sewer lateral on Barness Drive. A crew was out to excavate it. They were not able to find the lateral. They had a plumber come out to the site and do a test of the lateral to try and find the blockage. They identified where the lateral is and will excavate it again tomorrow and do a repair on the lateral within the Township's right-of-way.

Regarding the micro-surfacing project in the Sherwood Park neighborhood, tentatively the contractor is scheduled in mid-May. They have been in touch with the Township and will be sending out flyers to all the residents in the neighborhood to let them know what day and what roads will be done so it can coordinate with the residents.

3. J. Jackson Eaton, III, Esquire  
Township Attorney

The Attorney had no report.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: None.

Approval of Bills:

Motion: I move Council authorize payment of Payroll (4/26/2024); Voucher Nos. 27925-27950 from the General Fund Account in the amount of \$656,873.98; Voucher No. 4696-4699 from the Capital Reserve Account in the amount of \$10,089.93; Voucher Nos. 4702-4706 from the Water Account in the amount of \$5,784.77; Voucher Nos. 6456-6460 from the Sewer Account in the amount of \$3,315.40; Voucher Nos. 5425-5427 from the Escrow Account in the amount of \$19,599.06 for a Grand Total Expenditure of \$695,663.14.

Paulus, Woolley: Moved and Seconded  
Heimbecker, Lawlor, Rossi, Woolley, Paulus: Aye Unan.

Courtesy of the Floor: None.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa A. Wehr  
Township Manager