

Jackson Twp Water Authority  
General Purposes Meeting

SEPTEMBER 29, 2009

A general purposes meeting was held at the Jackson Twp. Water Authority Office on September 29, 2009 at 7pm. WALTER DITCHCREEK, CHAIRMAN OPENED THE MEETING WITH A PRAYER AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. Others in attendance were Ray Dodson, Treasurer; Robb Piper, Vice Chairman; John Wallet, Secretary; Don Hrapchak, Assistant Sec./Tres.; Karl Smith, Foreman; Debra Buksa, Billing Secretary; C. J. Webb, Solicitor; Bruce Baker, Supervisor and Rich Wray, Project Engineer. Others in attendance included: Brian Klinginsmith, Norman Diehl, Chad Fenstermaker –all bidding contractors and Bill Grubb, a resident along Swigle Mountain Road.

Rich explained procedure for the bid openings. Bids will be opened, bonds verified, and low bidders identified. Once the solicitor and engineer review bids, they will release their recommendations by Thursday to the appropriate agencies: DEP, Bureau of Abandoned Mines, Army Corps of Engineers and Pennvest.

Bids were opened and bonds verified.

**Contract #1 – general**

<b><u>Contractor</u></b>	<b><u>Location</u></b>	<b><u>Bid</u></b>	<b><u>Upgrade</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>	
Diehl Contracting	Glen Hope	\$1,239,473.20	\$88,854.40	\$1,328,327.60	(3rd)
D & M Contracting	New Alexandria	\$1,317,730.00	\$70,409.58	\$1,388,139.58	
D.T. Construction	Dunbar	\$1,108,950.06	\$115,993.36	\$1,224,943.42	(1st)
Five R Excavating	New Florence	\$1,533,947.20	\$171,473.40	\$1,705,420.60	
Guyer Brothers	New Enterprise	\$2,216,762.50	\$371,299.00	\$2,588,061.50	
Glenn Johston	McKeesport	\$1,285,582.00	\$176,581.00	\$1,462,163.00	
Klingsmith Enterprises	Conneaut Lake	\$1,182,807.90	\$610,844.00	\$1,793,651.90	
Ligonier Construction	Laughlintown	\$1,384,052.00	\$141,985.20	\$1,526,037.20	
Lumadue Excavating	West Decatur	\$1,176,093.15	\$82,632.50	\$1,258,725.65	(2nd)
D.C. Ventre & Sons	Duncansville	\$1,466,244.15	\$176,013.30	\$1,642,257.45	

(Three lowest bids are highlighted)

**Contract #2 – Water Tanks**

Mid Atlantic	Ohio	\$271,460.00
Welding, Inc	West Virginia	\$324,400.00

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Walter asked if any Board member would like to attend the annual REA dinner and meeting. There was no response.

Karl informed the Board that L. Robert Kimball Engineers (engineer for Jackson Elementary) had called and asked for a cost estimate to upgrade the existing 2" tap to a 6" or 8". This is not a job JTWA would do – it would need to be contracted out. Karl would need to shut down the main. Half of Bracken Street and from Bracken Street to Mundy's Corner would be out of water. Karl was instructed to get the information needed and if need be, have Jim Potopa (JTWA's Engineer) help.

The Board went into executive session 7:30 pm to discuss the pending Bodenschatz condemnation and potential litigation.

The regular meeting resumed at 8:05 pm.

ON MOTION BY DON, SECOND BY RAY AND APPROVED BY ALL TO APPROVE AND SIGN PROPOSAL/AGREEMENT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES BETWEEN JTWA AND HEGEMANN AND WRAY CONSULTING ENGINEERS.

A special meeting will be scheduled in the near future pertaining to interim financing for the project.

ON MOTION BY DON, SECOND BY JOHN AND APPROVED BY ALL TO AWARD CONTRACT #1 - GENERAL CONSTRUCTION TO THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER SUBJECT TO REVIEW AND APPROVAL BY THE SOLICITOR, ENGINEER, DEP, PENNVEST, ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS AND THE BUREAU OF ABANDONED MINES.

ON MOTION BY WALT, SECOND BY DON AND APPROVED BY ALL TO AWARD CONTRACT #2 - THE WATER TANK CONSTRUCTION TO THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER SUBJECT TO REVIEW AND APPROVAL BY THE SOLICITOR, ENGINEER, DEP, PENNVEST, ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS AND THE BUREAU OF ABANDONED MINES.

ON MOTION BY DON, SECOND BY WALT AND APPROVED BY ALL TO ADJOURN.