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Bids rejected on water main project

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LAKE COUNTY – The Lake County Board of Commissioners voted to reject all bids received on July 8 for the Maplegrove Road and Rockefeller Road at I-90 Crossings Water Main Replacement Project No. 363-W. The Board also approved a revised estimate in the amount of $1.62 million and authorized re-advertising for bids with a bid opening date of Dec. 16.

Since all the bids received exceeded the project estimate by more than 10 percent they needed to be rejected.

"We regrouped and took a second look at the project and modified the scope so we could basically keep the budget the same and worked with ODOT to get some favorable conditions in terms of working with them," said Gary Fedak, director of Wastewater Operations.

The project is for installation of a new 12-inch waterline on Maplegrove and Rockefeller roads under Interstate 90.

Fedak explained one of the changes involved adjusting the depth of the pipes, so they would not need to excavate so deeply.

OPWC has awarded a grant in the amount of $320,500 and a loan of $150,000 at zero percent.

Resolutions passed Nov. 12:

ENGINEER'S DEPARTMENT

• Authorizing change order No. 1 - final for state Route 2 pavement markings - 2015 project with Aeromark, Inc. in the amount of $9,414.07.

The original contract amount was $101,644.64 and the final amount, after the change order is $92,230.57.

UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

• Establishing accounts within Water Project Fund 595 to be known as Grand Boulevard Phase 2 Waterline Replacement Project 381-W.

• Establishing and increasing appropriations for River Street and Richmond Road Lift Stations Upgrade 358-S state remittances and transferring cash.

• Increasing appropriations for Glyco I Force Main Replacement Phase 2 346-S professional services-consultants.

• Approving final estimate No. 6 in the amount of $29,508 with D.B. Bentley, Inc. and accepting a three-year maintenance bond in the amount of $59,709.25 for Chestnut Hill Waterline Replacement Project No. 353-W.

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE

• Authorizing payment to various Lake County police prosecutors for the second half of 2015.

Payments were made as follows: James M. Lyons, for Grand River, $160 and Lisa M. Klammer, for Mentor, $600.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

• Approving payment of bills in the amount of $1,691,167.43.

• Approving purchase orders in the amount of $373,433.65.

• Increasing appropriations for various non-general fund accounts.

• Transferring cash and appropriations within various general and non-general fund accounts.

NEW BUSINESS

• Board President Dan Troy said efforts were being made to encourage legislators to at least help with the cost of purchasing new voting machines for the counties.

He said it was estimated the cost for Lake County would be about $3 million. However, due to the number or people submitting absentee ballots and doing early voting, they were hoping the state would change the ratio of the number or machines needed per registered voters.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

• The commissioners adjourned to executive session to discuss personnel - employment and discipline.

MEETINGS

• Meetings are held in the Commissioners' Chambers of the Lake County Administration Building, 105 Main St., Painesville. All meetings are open to the public. Requests to address the government board may be made at any board meeting or presented to the Commissioners' Office by calling (440) 350-2753.

There was a meeting Nov. 19. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, Nov. 24 at 2 p.m.

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