

Village of Bensenville  
Village Board Room  
12 South Center Street  
Bensenville, Illinois 60106  
Counties of DuPage and Cook

**MINUTES OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**  
**August 18, 2015**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman DeSimone called the meeting to order at 6:19 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Upon roll call by Deputy Village Clerk, Corey Williamsen, the following Board Members were present:

Chairman DeSimone, President Soto, Jaworska, Wessler, Janowiak, O'Connell

Absent: Carmona, Village Clerk, Ilsa Rivera-Trujillo

A quorum was present.

Staff Present: V. Benham, J. Caracci, D. DiSanto, G. Ferguson, F. Kosman, D. Schultz, M. Rysavy, T. Sloth, A. Thakkar, S. Viger, C. Williamsen

**Approval of Minutes:**

The June 16, 2015 Infrastructure and Environment Committee Meeting minutes were presented.

**Motion:** Chairman DeSimone made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Trustee Wessler seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**BA Lighting, LLC:** Director of Public Works, Joe Caracci, presented to the Committee a Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Contract to BA Lighting, LLC for the 2015 Residential Street Light Program in an Amount Not-to-Exceed \$218,500.

Mr. Caracci stated following strong feedback in the Village's Citizen Survey, the Village started a residential street lighting program that continues to be included in the Strategic Plan and annual Budget. Mr. Caracci stated staff has tried to obtain grant funding for this program, however available grants do not offer money for lighting added to "the grid;" they are mainly for retrofitting old lighting. Mr. Caracci stated with the help of BA Lighting LLC, staff selected a preferred light fixture and pole that is both aesthetically pleasing and LED energy efficient. Mr. Caracci stated the cost per unit is \$2,340, and including installation by Lyons-Pinner was initially over the \$200,000 budget. Mr. Caracci stated after negotiation, the vendors have agreed to reduce their pricing to meet our budget of \$200,000. Mr. Caracci stated the vendors were selected through the competitive joint purchasing cooperative TIPS-USA. Mr. Caracci stated staff recommends approval of this contract.

Trustee Wessler raised concern for the cost of the project and the low amount of lights that would be installed. Trustee Wessler indicated the project would cost the Village millions to install lights throughout town.

Chairman DeSimone asked if the Village waited until next year to install the light and decided to purchase more lights, would the cost of the project decrease. Mr. Caracci stated the cost could decrease per unit but could not guarantee the cost per light in the future.

Mr. Carracci stated the Village could use the proposed project as a pilot program for now and receive feedback from Residents in the area. Mr. Caracci stated if the lights are liked by Residents, the Village could seek other sources of funding to expedite the completion of the project for the entire Village.

Chairman DeSimone asked when the project would be completed. Mr. Caracci stated the project would be complete by the beginning of November, 2015.

Trustee Jaworska asked what the warranty is for each light. Mr. Caracci stated the warranty is for 10 years per unit but only covers parts, not damages from a third party.

Trustee Janowiak asked if there was a plan to install these type of lights along the Village's bike paths. Mr. Caracci stated he would look into the matter and report back.

Motion: Trustee Wessler made a motion to approve this item for placement on a future Village Board Meeting Agenda for action. President Soto seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**TIPS:** Director of Public Works, Joe Caracci, presented to the Committee a Resolution Authorizing the Village's Participation in the Region VIII Education Service Center for the Interlocal Purchasing System.

There were no questions from the Committee.

Motion: President Soto made a motion to approve this item for placement on a future Village Board Meeting Agenda for action. Trustee Janowiak seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

*Village Clerk, Ilsa Rivera-Trujillo, entered the meeting at 6:47 p.m.*

**Globe Construction:** Director of Public Works, Joe Caracci, presented to the Committee a Resolution to Authorize the Execution of a Contract with Globe Construction, Inc. to Install a Concrete Apron at 800 E. Jefferson Street, in the not-to-exceed Amount of \$12,892.75.

Mr. Caracci stated the Village of Bensenville owns the property located at 800 E. Jefferson Street, which is currently improved with a one-story brick building used as an EMA vehicle and storage garage. Mr. Caracci stated currently vehicle access to the building is made through a garage door on the south side. Mr. Caracci stated often this entrance is often blocked due to parked cars and buses. Mr. Caracci stated the north door to the building is currently unusable since there is no driveway apron onto Jefferson. Mr. Caracci stated staff solicited three proposals to construct a driveway apron onto Jefferson. Mr. Caracci stated staff recommends contracting with the lowest proposal, Globe Construction, Inc, in the amount of \$12,892.75. Mr. Caracci stated Construction of this apron will improve our emergency response and reliability.

There were no questions from the Committee.

**Motion:** Trustee Wessler made a motion to approve this item for placement on a future Village Board Meeting Agenda for action. Trustee Janowiak seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**M.E. Simpson:** Director of Public Works, Joe Caracci, presented to the Committee a Resolution Authorizing the Approval of Year One of a Two Year Contract with M.E. Simpson Co., Inc. for Fire Hydrant Flow Testing for Main Capacity in the Not to Exceed Amount of \$26,214.00.

Mr. Caracci stated hydrant flow testing is performed to determine the availability of water to fight fires and to determine the general condition of the water system. Mr. Caracci stated after advertising the project bidding, staff only received one bid from ME Simpson Co, Inc. Mr. Caracci stated not many companies perform this work and ME Simpson's references came back good and we found the price to be reasonable based on work in other communities.

Mr. Caracci stated staff recommends contracting with ME Simpson for \$26,214 for year one of a two year contract, which is within budget. Mr. Caracci stated year one will include all areas north of the railroad tracks.

Trustee Wessler asked why the Bensenville Fire District was not assisting in the cost of the project. Mr. Caracci stated the Village is responsible for the water lines. Mr. Caracci stated he has reached out to the Fire District for future assistance in funding.

Motion: President Soto made a motion to approve this item for placement on a future Village Board Meeting Agenda for action. Trustee Jaworska seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

*Trustee Carmona entered the meeting at 6:54 p.m.*

**William Brothers**

**Change Order #3:** Director of Public Works, Joe Caracci, presented to the Committee a Resolution Concerning the Determination of the Bensenville Village Board that Change Order Number Three with Williams Brothers Construction, Inc. for an Increase of \$20,500 is Required for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Project for a Revised Contract Cost of \$26,905,772 and a Time Extension of Two Days.

Mr. Caracci stated with any major construction project, changes in scope occur for a number of reasons. Mr. Caracci stated with the reconstruction of the Wastewater Treatment Plant, unforeseen changes are attributed to the age of the original construction dating back to the 1940's as well as the complex processing and operations of this important facility. Mr. Caracci stated this is the third project Change Order: the first was a scope reduction to get closer to the \$30.0M budget. Mr. Caracci stated the second Change Order increased the project scope to include unforeseen expenses. Mr. Caracci stated this Change Order includes five items that the project team feels are necessary, resulting in a net increase of \$20,500.

Mr. Caracci stated this amount includes additions such as removal of unexpected underground concrete, recommended modifications to joint spacing, and other modifications. Mr. Caracci stated these adjustments in scope bring our new construction cost to \$26,905,772 and a resulting new project total (including engineering) to \$30,450,002. Mr. Caracci stated there is also a two day extension of time on this change order leaving our completion date at March 25, 2016. Mr. Caracci stated based on the necessity of these changes, staff recommends approval.

There were no questions from the Committee.

**Motion:** Chairman DeSimone made a motion to approve this item for placement on a future Village Board Meeting Agenda for action. Trustee O'Connell seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**DRSCW:** Director of Public Works, Joe Caracci, presented to the Committee a Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement with the DuPage River / Salt Creek Workgroup (DRSCW) Accepting the DRSCW Special Condition Provision and Participating in the DRSCW Local Funding Program.

Mr. Caracci stated the Village's Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) is subject to permit requirements by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA). Mr. Caracci stated the Village's permit expired in 2011, and the IEPA is not re-issuing permits until they tighten limits on nutrient removal, namely phosphorus. Mr. Caracci stated the Village is a member of the DuPage River/Salt Creek Workgroup (DRSCW), which is a group of 38 treatment plant members that pool resources to address issues within the watershed such as meeting new regulations. Mr. Caracci stated DRSCW members are contributing towards special projects to remove phosphorus within the watershed, of which the Village's portion is \$471,432 over 8 years.

Mr. Caracci stated since the Village included \$400,000 to install biological phosphorus removal in the new WWTP, the DRSCW has included a special clause allowing the Village to pay only \$27,678 instead to the group. Mr. Caracci stated the Village is hopeful the IEPA accepts this clause since the alternative is cost prohibitive for the Village.

Mr. Caracci stated staff recommends passing the Resolution approving the agreement with the DRSCW that includes the cost reduction clause.

There were no questions from the Committee.

Motion: Trustee O'Connell made a motion to approve this item for placement on a future Village Board Meeting Agenda for action. Trustee Jaworska seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Informational  
Items:**

**Honorary Sign  
Policy:**

Mr. Caracci informed the Committee that no formal Honorary Sign Policy currently exists, however, the Village has provided Honorary Signs periodically to past trustees, past commissioners, and past employees. Mr. Caracci stated Staff is seeking direction from the Committee for a policy.

President Soto suggested a program where case by case basis will be nominated to the Village Board for approval.

Chairman DeSimone asked staff to gather information of what other community programs offer.

Mr. Di Santo stated Staff would work on an application and bring back to the Committee for action.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Trustee Wessler made a motion to adjourn the meeting.  
Chairman DeSimone seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman DeSimone adjourned the meeting at 7:14 p.m.

Corey Williamsen  
Deputy Village Clerk

**PASSED AND APPROVED** by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Bensenville this 15th day, September 2015