

Bakersfield Special Select Board Meeting  
Wednesday, June 23, 2021  
7:00pm

Meeting was called to order at 6:04pm by Josh Goss.

Members present: Josh Goss (chair), Lance Boardman, Brenda Churchill, Terri Gates

Members absent: none

Residents/Guests present: Mac Newitt, Tami Brennan

The board discussed the bids received on Goat Path Bridge. The bids opened on 6/15. The town received 5 bids total.

S.D Ireland

St. Onge

Goodhue Excavating

Parent

Blow and Cody

The high bid was from Goodhue Excavating at \$547,826.00.

The low bid was from Blow and Cody at \$464,875.00.

Two mid bids were \$490,000.00 and \$450,000.00.

Lance read a letter from Tyler Billingsley, the engineer working for the town from East Engineering, strongly recommending Blow and Cody with the low bid. Lance said that the 86-page contract would be at the Town Office for review.

Lance made the motion to accept the bid from Blow and Cody, for \$464,875.00, and appoint Mac Newitt as the signatory on the contract on behalf of the town of Bakersfield. Gary seconded the motion, and the motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

Brenda asked if this project would be started this year. Mac said that at least the footings should be in place by this fall. The contractors are ordering the supplies as soon as possible.

Lance explained that there had been two possibilities the town had to consider when the bridge failed after the flood. One was not to replace the bridge, but because of the angle of Lost Nation Rd, if left as it is, it would have been impossible for trucks and busses, to turn South on Rt 108, and very dangerous for vehicles in general, so that's why we are replacing the bridge that is not heavily traveled. The whole section is to be paved.

Brenda asked about the need for an overseer. Lance said that Tyler Billingsley, the engineer working for the town, will be overseeing the project because no one else is qualified to do so.

Brenda made the motion to adjourn the meeting, the motion was seconded by Josh, and the motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

The meeting adjourned at 6:12pm.



June 15, 2021

Town of Bakersfield  
Attn: Selectboard  
40 East Bakersfield Road  
Bakersfield, Vermont 05441

RE: FEMA Contract 3 – Goat Path Road Bridge  
Recommendation to Award

Dear Selectboard,

On Tuesday, June 15, 2021, bids were due to the Town of Bakersfield for the FEMA Contract 3 project, which is for the replacement of the Goat Path Road bridge. On behalf of the Town, East Engineering collected and opened the bids received. For reference, the bid process followed the Town of Bakersfield procurement regulations and five contractors submitted bids for consideration.

The total low bid price, submitted by Blow and Cote, of Morrisville, Vermont, is \$464,875.00. This amount is within expectations and is competitive given the complexity of the scope of work and location.

I completed a bid check and tabulation of all bids received to ensure the submissions were properly completed and all required documents were submitted. The results of the bid check and tabulation show that Blow & Cote submitted a responsive bid to the Town. The bid check and tabulation documents are attached to this letter for reference.

In addition to the properly submitted bid documents, Blow & Cote has successfully completed many similar Town highway improvement projects (including several with East Engineering), and is on the VTrans Prequalified Contractor List - they are a responsible/qualified bidder. Given that Blow & Cote is both a responsive and responsible bidder, my recommendation is to award them the contract.

All original bid documents will be returned to the Town for record keeping. Please contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tyler Billingsley".

Tyler Billingsley, P.E.  
Engineer / Owner

CC: Richard Hosking – State of Vermont  
Paul Charron - FEMA  
Attached: Bid Check Form  
Bid Tabulation

Town of Bakersfield  
 FEMA Contract 3 - Goat Path Road Bridge  
 Bid Check Form  
 Bids Due: June 15, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m.



Contractor	Attended Mandatory PreBid Meeting	Addenda Acknowledge	Bid Bond	Signed Revised Bid Form	Bid
Goodhue Excavation	Y	Y	Y	Y	\$547,826.00
SDI	Y	Y	Y	Y	\$517,100.00
<i>Blow and Cote</i>	Y	Y	Y	Y	<i>\$464,875.00</i>
Parent	Y	Y	Y	Y	\$497,000.00
St Onge	Y	Y	Y	Y	\$493,750.00

\*Notes: All bids were submitted on-time, no discrepancies noted.