

3-11-10 EOB Construction meeting notes

Attending: Ken & Chris Beck – Beck Excavating, Scott Brunsvold – JWA, Glen Peterson & Jim Leinbaugh – IGLSD, Dan Eckert – Dickinson County engineer, Derek Mananny – Clean Water Alliance, Arnold McIntosh – EOB Homeowners' Pres, Craig Gray – Team Services, Aaron Ruscky – ILEC, Chad Reinert – Clayton & Sons, George Hild – Hild & Assoc (vegetative blankets), Mardi Allen – D C Supervisor

The following items were discussed:

- There was a lengthy discussion between the County, George Hild, Ken Beck, Chad Reinert and Scott Brunsvold about the payment for the vegetative blankets. Beck does not want to take on the responsibility for the cost of the blankets if payment is made up front and Hild does not deliver. Hild does not want to produce the product without payment and then risk a cancellation by the County.
(The vegetative blankets are part of the LID in this project.)
Some history on this situation follows:
During the December 10th meeting Beck informed everyone that Hild was requesting upfront payment. Beck was to discuss this with Clayton & Sons. At the January meeting Scott informed everyone that Hild had requested 1/3 payment on February 1st, 1/3 payment on April 1st and 1/3 payment on delivery. After several discussions, the County agreed to pay ¼ March, ¼ May, ¼ on delivery and ¼ 30 after delivery. A claim was submitted through Beck and Jacobson Westergard for \$28,286.10 and a check issued to Beck.
Today Beck made it clear it was too much risk for them with any payment up front and Hild continued to insist on a prepayment schedule and that Clayton and Sons were aware of that requirement in Hild's bid to Clayton and Sons. It was suggested that the Hild part of the bid be taken out of the Beck contract and an agreement between the County and Hild be made. I suggested that Hild be bonded and then that could possibly work. Hild suggested that the County would pick up the cost of the bond and as a compromise a 50/50 split was suggested depending on the cost. Hild was to see about the bond and Chad Reinert was to get the original agreement and make sure of the pricing. The check was returned to the County until this is resolved. Hild said the blankets take 60 days to get produced and ready for delivery. Beck is estimating that delivery could be late July, early August. Hild said the blankets need a couple of months to set roots and be stable for the winter.
- The concrete, gravel and rock that are in the IGLSD lines will be cleaned out by CTI or someone they contract with this coming spring. IGLSD asked if the cleanout is a part of the County's requirements before the project is considered complete. The answer was yes. IGLSD has requested a certificate of insurance from the company that does the clean out. Beck will take care of communicating this to CTI.
- Team Services still has some outstanding bills to be paid. Beck will pay them as soon as the bills are broken out correctly. Crain Gray said he would get them to Beck today. Some could be DNR expense.
- Iowa Lakes Electric has a judgment against the tree service. Beck has some retainage but not much.
- Butch Mortz will start the driveways as soon as weather permits.

The next meeting will be April 8, 2010