

Minutes of the Meeting of the Avon Township Board of Supervisors

April 26, 2023

Avon Township Hall, 16881 Queens Road, Avon (MN)

Call to Order: LeRoy Gondringer, *Chair*, called the meeting of the Avon Township Supervisors to order at 7:00 P.M. in the Main Chamber of the Avon Township Hall. This meeting, like other Town meetings, was also available virtually via Zoom at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8325486945>, Passcode: AvonTown.

Roll Call: Present – LeRoy Gondringer (*Chair*), Chad Klocker, Rich Sanoski, and Stephen Saupe (*Clerk*). Also present – Marion Gondringer (*Deputy Clerk*), Dave Yurczyk (*Holding Township Supervisor*), Lori Yurczyk (*PC Chair*).

Minutes: Gondringer noted that the primary purpose of the meeting was to open bids and quotes for 2023 roadwork in Avon Township, Holding Township, and a joint project (Two Rivers Road) for both towns.

1. Roadwork Bids – Bid solicitations were sent directly to five potential bid companies, published twice in the *Star-Post*, and was also available on the Avon Township website.

Two bids for paving were received (Knife River, Minnesota Paving & Materials – MPM). The bids were read and are summarized in the table below.

2023 Roadwork Bid Summary - for Avon & Holding Townships			
Road	Responsible Township	Bidder	
		Knife River	MPM
Two Rivers Road	Avon & Holding	\$229,385.50	\$207,000.00
190th Avenue	Avon	\$67,446.00	\$76,000.00
185th Avenue	Avon	\$61,139.00	\$102,000.00
Red Oak Circle	Avon	\$50,601.50	\$59,000.00
400th Street	Holding	\$174,350.00	\$184,000.00
	Total	\$582,922.00	\$628,000.00

In addition to paving, the roadwork will require milling the existing road surfaces. Quotes were obtained from two companies (Gerards & Bardson) for placing 4 inches of gravel on the surface and then milling. The quotes were read and summarized in the table below. In addition, the table shows total project costs to Avon Township based on the presumed lowest bids.

2023 Roadwork Cost Summary							
Road	Responsible Township	Paving Bidder		Road Grinding Bidder		Avon Cost (assuming Knife River & Gerards selected)	Avon Cost (assuming MPM & Gerards selected)
		Knife River	MPM	Gerards	Bardson	Avon	Avon
Two Rivers Road	Avon & Holding	\$229,385.50	\$207,000.00	\$64,970.00	\$68,150.50	\$147,177.75	\$135,985.00
190th Avenue	Avon	\$67,446.00	\$76,000.00	\$27,349.26	\$28,950.50	\$94,795.26	\$104,950.50
185th Avenue	Avon	\$61,139.00	\$102,000.00	\$17,452.80	\$18,400.50	\$78,591.80	\$120,400.50
Red Oak Circle	Avon	\$50,601.50	\$59,000.00	\$17,202.24	\$18,062.40	\$67,803.74	\$77,062.40
400th Street	Holding	\$174,350.00	\$184,000.00				
	Total	\$582,922.00	\$628,000.00	\$126,974.30	\$133,563.90	\$388,368.55	\$438,398.40

The bids were similar with the exception of the MPM bid for 185th Avenue. The company representative present at the meeting said he made a mistake in the length of the road to be estimated. There was a question whether bids could be mixed from two companies. It was suggested that the companies bid the roads as a package and probably would not be amenable to this.

The Supervisors expressed a need for time to compile and study the bids. Both the Holding and the Avon Township Supervisors will meet next week at their regularly scheduled monthly meetings to make final decisions on bid acceptance. There was a discussion regarding an apparent discrepancy in the Knife River cost per mile in the bids for 400th Street and Two Rivers Road. One possibility the Supervisors discussed is the exact length/location of Two Rivers Road that was included in the bid. Sanoski will clarify with Knife River.

2. 365th Street – The Township received an alert from Dean Schramel at Stearns County about a failing culvert. The Supervisors also noted this issue during road inspection. The Town assumed the repair was the responsibility of the County but Mr. Schramel indicated it is the Town’s responsibility. Gondringer will follow-up with Mr. Schramel. A decision on culvert work will be made at the upcoming Supervisor meeting.

3. Inquiry – a resident sent a letter inquiring about purchasing a used culvert from the Town. There was a discussion about the sale price. Suggestions included \$20ish per foot and/or half of the cost of new. It was suggested that the availability of a culvert for sale should be publicized. No decision was made.

Adjournment: Sanoski moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:42 PM. Klocker second. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen G. Saupe, Clerk

date: May 1, 2023

Supervisor Signatures:

date: _____

LeRoy Gondringer, Chair

Chad Klocker

Rich Sanoski