

Special Town Council Meeting
Monday, February 19, 2020
5:00 P.M. Town Hall

Edinburgh Town Council met in a special session on Wednesday, February 19, 2020 at 5:00 P.M. at the Town Hall, 107 South Holland Street, Edinburgh, Indiana.

President Simpson called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members answering roll call: Councilwoman Debbie Buck, Councilwoman Miriam Rooks, Vice President Dawn Graham, Councilman Ryan Piercefield, and President Jeff Simpson. Also present were Town Attorney Dustin Huddleston, Clerk-Treasurer Scott Finley, and Town Manager JT Doane.

County Road 900 North – Mr. Doane said the bid opening for this project was held this afternoon at 3:30. A copy of the bid tabs were given to each council member for review. We received seven bids, the lowest being from King's Trucking for \$628,800. He said he is not familiar with King's but they did submit references for other projects. The engineers did review the low bid and it appears to have all necessary information. He gave an overview of the next steps on the projects.

President Simpson asked if we were required to take the lowest bid.

Town Attorney Dustin Huddleston said if you do not take the lowest bid you have to have justification for not awarding it to the low bidder. Because the bids were relatively close it would be hard to say they could not do the work for the cost submitted.

Councilwoman Graham asked if the engineers were able to thoroughly review the bids if they just came in an hour and a half ago.

Mr. Doane said yes, they had been reviewed and all documents were included in the bid.

Councilman Piercefield said his concern is he does not see a lot of paving work in the references.

Mr. Huddleston asked about the timing of the grant process.

Mr. Doane said the deadline to get a contract to INDOT is Monday, February 24th.

Discussion was held regarding standards for subcontractors.

Councilman Piercefield asked if the council could call the references.

Mr. Huddleston said yes. With the short time frame the council does not have a lot of time to make those calls and still get the project under contract by Monday.

Councilman Piercefield made a motion to award the bid for County Road 900 to King's Trucking for \$628,800 subject to the contract being approved. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion Carried.

Councilwoman Buck made a motion to allow Councilman Piercefield to execute and negotiate the contract with King's Trucking on behalf of the council. Councilwoman Graham seconded. Motion carried.

Other Business

Mr. Doane said the State of the Town will be held tomorrow night at the school. It will also be broadcast on Facebook Live. He said the Night Owl Country Band will be present to play a few songs. The cost is \$250 for the band and will be paid from the council promotions.

Mr. Doane said applications have come in for the Park and Rec and Cemetery positions. They will hold interviews soon for potential candidates.