

TOWN COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING  
JUNE 7, 2016

**Council members present:** Kent Beeson, James Klenner, David Hawkins, Andy Brock  
Others present: Stephen Watson-Town Attorney, Norm Gabehart-Town Manager, Debra L. Hendrickson-Clerk/Treasurer  
Absent: Scot Ford

Kent Beeson called the meeting to order at 6:18 pm.

Pledge to the Flag

Invocation – Norm Gabehart

Norm Gabehart reported the Town had sent out invitations for 3 quotes for repaving Whiteland Road from east of the Roundabout to Warrior Trail out by Interstate 65 May 31, 2016 to Rieth Riley, Milestone Contractors L.P. and Dave O'Mara Contractor, Inc. Norm proceeded to open the sealed envelopes. The first quote was from Dave O'Mara Contractor, Inc. at 1100 East O and M Ave., North Vernon, In 47265. The quote bid totaled \$137,060.00. The second quote opened was Milestone Contractors L.P. at 3410 South 650 East, Columbus, IN 47203. The quote bid totaled \$82,940.00. Rieth Riley did not send a quote. The quotes were passed to the Council for review. Norm proceeded to explain the Town has 2 options of payment. One is \$111,525.00 available funds on the Bond Anticipation Note to spend and the second is the availability of \$50,000 in the LR&S Fund. The town also received \$114,876.06 LOIT money from the State as a onetime distribution which is designated through the State IC §6-3.6-9-17. Norm would like the Council to approve this bid based on the unit prices. We did not have knowledge of the quotes prior to the meeting. He would like to see not only east of the Roundabout but a little bit west of the Roundabout also if the quotes came in low enough and approval to spend but not to exceed \$150,000. Klenner asked if there was a public notice to the meeting. Gabehart stated the Town publicized what was required by law. Stephen Watson also stated that since the threshold was under \$150,000 you do not have to go through a newspaper publication. Klenner felt the meeting was not posted enough publicly. Klenner also stated he thought the BAN was for the Roundabout only and asked the Town Attorney if it was proper. Watson did review the Bond Ordinance and stated he thought the description referred to road work. Beeson was in favor of the construction but was unclear how he wanted to pay for it. Hawkins was in favor of the construction but asked what the consequences would be to put off the project. Gabehart stated he would have to ask for rebids and there would be another road closure and the BAN has 5 years before it goes to bond and the Town doesn't want to go to bond so intentions are making payments ahead. Brock asked if any other road work was planned and Gabehart reported that Emerson Avenue needs work and we don't have a lot of money to due projects for roads. Klenner requested to choose the contractor first and that he felt we had the funds if we choose the lowest bidder. Watson reported by statue the town is required to award the lowest responsible or responsive bidder. Gabehart made a suggestion for consideration: the town could utilize the money in the Sprint Tower funds which totals \$150,000 until we can utilized the LOIT money, which hasn't been appropriated yet, until such time the Council decides to spend the total LOIT money rather than use the BAN. Klenner asked if there were any restrictions on the Sprint Tower Funds which Watson stated "not that he knew of". Beeson made a motion to approve the contract to Milestone Contractors, L.P. for the unit price as specified in the quote but not to exceed \$150,000 and

with a later determination of funding source for Whiteland Rd. paving. Watson suggested to add the determination of funds on the next agenda. David Hawkins seconded the motion. Passed 4-0.

Milestone Contractors' representative asked if the proposal was going to be signed so he can get everything scheduled. Beeson replied yes.

Meeting adjourned at 6:48 pm.

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Kent Beeson, President of Whiteland Town Council