



LOWER PLATTE SOUTH natural resources district

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MEMORANDUM

Date: February 10, 2022

To: Lower Platte South Natural Resources District Board of Directors

From: Ariana Kennedy, Resources Conservationist *AK*

Subject: Minutes for Recreation, Forestry & Wildlife Subcommittee Meeting

On Thursday, February 10, 2022, at 5:30 p.m., the Recreation, Forestry and Wildlife subcommittee met via Zoom. Subcommittee members on the Zoom meeting; Anthony Schutz – Chair, Tom Green, Christine Lamberty, Luke Peterson, Mark Spangler, Ray Stevens and John Yoakum. Other attendees were Deb Eagan, Paul Zillig, David Potter, and Ariana Kennedy.

First, on the agenda was the Wabash Trailhead on MoPac East Trail. The Lower Platte South Natural Resources District (LPSNRD) and the MoPac Alliance are working together to develop a trailhead in Wabash. The first phase of the parking lot is a vault waterless restroom and a parking lot. CXT Inc. produces specialized high quality, prefabricated, vandal resistant restrooms. LPSNRD has CXT vault restrooms at Walton Trailhead, Loma Trailhead (Oak Creek trail), Timber Point Lake, Wildwood Lake and have been pleased with the durability of these facilities. CXT provided a quote of \$19,353.00 for the Gunnison vault restroom. The quote includes delivery and set up of the restroom. The MoPac Alliance will be providing funds for this project as well. Conversation about ADA accessibility to the restroom and the connector trail for trail users from the parking lot to the undeveloped corridor occurred. Staff will plan to have a contractor pour a concrete pad for ADA accessibility next to the restroom following installation and establish a connector trail this spring at the trailhead. A map of the trailhead, 'Wabash Trailhead Layout, Cass County', the quote, and informational brochure on CXT vault restrooms are attached to this memo.

It was moved by Yoakum and seconded by Stevens and unanimously approved to recommend the Lower Platte South NRD Board of Directors approve the CXT Inc. quote of \$19,353.00 for the Gunnison single vault restroom for the Wabash Trailhead project.

LPSNRD requested proposals from four contractors in Cass County to develop a 7,000 square foot parking lot and access drive at the Wabash trailhead. Two proposals were received. The low proposal was from Nebraska Digging Services of Alvo, Nebraska for \$6,060.00. Copies of the parking lot proposals are attached.

It was moved by Lamberty and seconded by Yoakum and unanimously approved to recommend the Lower Platte South NRD Board of Directors approve the Nebraska Digging proposal of \$6,060.00 for parking lot construction for the Wabash Trailhead project.

Next, on the agenda was the Oak Creek Trail Repair project. In October, High Plains Enterprises was awarded the Oak Creek Trail repair project with a low bid of \$228,070.00. Bauer Infrastructure, LLC recently purchased High Plains Enterprises. Due to the change in ownership, LPSNRD legal counsel was consulted on the procedure to complete this project. Legal counsel advised to have Bauer prepare a new contract and acquire bonds for the project. Additionally, LPSNRD board of directors would need to provide approval of assignment of contract to Bauer. Bauer is a competent and reputable contractor and is willing to start and complete this project on the same schedule and cost. Olsson is providing construction services on the project. A copy of the contract is attached to this memo.

It was moved by Stevens and seconded by Peterson and unanimously approved to recommend the Lower Platte South NRD Board of Directors approval of assignment of contract on Oak Creek Trail to Bauer Infrastructure, LLC, Martell, NE in the amount of \$228,070.00 for the Oak Creek Trail Repair project.

Last, on the agenda were several reports/updates. The reports/updates were the New Bridge Strategy Survey conservation results (LPSNRD contributed \$5,000 towards the survey), an update on the Capitol Beach Community Association Easements (Muehle easement closes on February 22), and the LPSNRD tree seedling program sales along with the Executive Travel tree incentive for those purchasing trees.

Meeting adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

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