

River Ridge School District
Press Release
February 8, 2017

The River Ridge Board of Education held a special board meeting on Wednesday, February 8, 2017. The meeting was held in a conference room at the Kraemer Brothers office complex in Plain, WI. The following business was conducted:

- I. Call to Order Board President Kenny Nies called the meeting to order at 1:36 pm.
- II. Roll Call The following board members were present: Jason Cathman, Cory Moravits, Kenny Nies, and Cory Raisbeck. Board members absent: Dave Breuer and Kerri Schier. Others present: Supt./Elem. Principal Dr. Jeff Athey, Greg Callin, Mitch Gilbertson, Andy Kraemer, Kyle Kraemer, and Ross Kraemer.
- III. Pledge of Allegiance (No flag was present; did not recite the Pledge).
- IV. Statement of Notice Moravits stated that public notice of this meeting had been given February 1, 2017 at 2:00 pm. A motion by Raisbeck/second by Cathman to accept that this meeting had been legally posted. The motion carried on a voice vote.
- V. Appearances None
- VI. Bid Opening at Kraemer Brothers Construction in Plain, WI Prior to the bid openings at 2:00 pm, Callin, Gilbertson, and others from Kraemer Brothers reviewed work leading up to this point. Callin said today's bids apply to concrete, steel, masonry, grading, and earthwork. Kraemer Brothers had previously developed a bidder's list (who). Then, bidder instructions and requirements were sent out. Bidders were given a 2-3 week window to put bids together. There was only one opportunity to bid. Today at 2:00 pm was the deadline to submit bids to Kraemer Brothers. Once received, Kraemer Brothers goes through each bid to make certain they meet the requirements. In some cases, there is a need to make clarifications. In those instances, Kraemer Brothers contacts the bidder. Kraemer Brothers prefers to get 3-5 bidders per area. Gilbertson said he is working on a bid clarification with Prairie Sand and Gravel pertaining to pricing on clean landfill.

Other Updates - Gilbertson said he will bring information to the February 20, 2017, Buildings and Grounds Committee on the cost of replacing the Upper Elementary boiler.

Kraemer provided Board members with a map regarding the site logistics at River Ridge when construction starts late this month. The rendering showed where the temporary roads will be, where sub-contractors will park, fence lines to separate the construction site from the school grounds, signage for the construction area, porta-potties for the workers, etc.

Callin asked the Board to think about any "ground-breaking" ceremonies it may wish to have before excavation begins. It was suggested we may want a picture of students (and any others) with shovels and hard hats for the newspapers in our area.

At 2:00 pm, Bid Package No. 2 opening became official. Gilbertson explained who had submitted bids for each of the projects:

- Concrete Reinforcing (2 bids) – Gorton (Madison, WI) and Hutch Building Supply (Madison, WI)
- Ready Mix Concrete (3 bids) – J & N Stone (Lancaster, WI), Prairie Sand and Gravel (Prairie du Chien, WI), and Bard Material (Platteville, WI)
- Underslab Clean Stone (2 bids) – J & N Stone (Lancaster, WI) and Milestone (Kieler, WI)
- Masonry Reinforcing (2 bids) – Gerdau (Madison, WI) and Hatch Building Supply (Madison, WI)
- Concrete Masonry Units (2 bids) – Century Materials Corporation (Madison, WI) and Top Block (East Dubuque, IL)
- Structural Steel, Steel Joints, and Steel Duty (5 bids) – Mid-City Steel (Lacrosse, WI), Daigle Brothers (Tomahawk, WI), McFarlane (Sauk City, WI), Skyline Street (Arlington, WI), and Endres Manufacturing (Waunakee, WI).
- Grading, Building Excavation, Site Utilities, & Seeding (4 bids) – Owen’s Excavating (Platteville, WI), Rule Construction (Dodgeville, WI), Pustina Construction (Cobb, WI), and Misak Construction (Plain, WI)

Gilbertson also announced that these companies were selected from the January 12, 2017 bid opening:

- Fire Suppression – Monona Plumbing & Fire Protection (Madison, WI)
- Plumbing – Hogue Construction (Madison, WI)
- HVAC & Controls – Winona Controls (Caledonia, MN)
- Electrical – Schmit Electric (Platteville, WI)

Gilbertson will finalize the bids for the concrete, steel, masonry, grading, and earth work in the next couple of days and extend contracts. Callin will present the GMP (Guaranteed Maximum Price) of the project at a Special School Board Meeting on February 22, 2017 at 6:00 pm.

The Board found today’s bid opening informative. Callin and Gilbertson recommended we hold a Building and Grounds Committee meeting at 9:00 am on Monday, March 20, 2017 with Kraemer Brothers and FEH Design representatives to hear updates on the construction process. They said once construction gets underway February 27, 2017, there will not be a need to continue with weekly Buildings & Grounds Committee meetings as we have.

VII. Information

A. Upcoming Meeting Schedule

- i. Regular Board Meeting - Feb. 8, 2017 – 5:30 pm
- ii. Special Electors Meeting – Feb. 15, 2017 – 7:00 pm
- iii. Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting – Feb. 20, 2017 – 9:00 am
- iv. Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting – Feb. 22, 2017 – 5:00pm
- v. Special School Board Meeting – Feb. 22, 2017 – 6:00pm
- vi. Policy & Curriculum Committee Meeting – March 1, 2017 – 5:00pm
- vii. Staff & Employee Relations Committee Meeting – March 1, 2017 – 6:00pm
- viii. Special School Board Meeting – March 1, 2017 – 7:00pm
- ix. Technology Committee Meeting – March 7, 2017 – 7:15 am

B. Board of Education Member Suggestions and Recommendations for Future Items None.

VIII. Adjournment Moravits moved to adjourn. Cathman seconded. The meeting adjourned at 3:10pm.