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Columbia County Executive Committee Minutes September 16, 2020

Members present: James E. Foley, Vern E. Gove, Bob Koch, Barry Pufahl, JoAnn Wingers

Also in attendance during all or portions of the meeting: Roger Brandner, Kurt Calkins, Dave Drews, Sue Moll, Joe Ruf, Cory Wiegel

The meeting of the Executive Committee was called to order by Chair Gove at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was properly noticed as required by the Wisconsin Open Meetings Law. The meeting was held at the Administration building, Meeting Room #113, 112 E. Edgewater Street, Portage, Wisconsin.

Award Contract for Bi-Polar Ionization System

Wiegel recommended awarding the contract to DMC, LLC who submitted the lowest bid of \$63,720. He stated the company has been in business for 16 years and references were positive. The next lowest bid of \$81,585 was submitted from Johnson Controls. Wiegel pointed out the lowest bid was submitted in person to the County Clerk's Office approximately 1 minute past the deadline. It was noted the company had called the Clerk's Office prior to the deadline offering to email the bid. The delay was the result of road construction near the Administration building. Ruf informed committee members the lowest bid could be accepted as it would be in the best interest to the public.

Motion by Pufahl to waive the deadline for submitting bids for the Bi-Polar Ionization System. Second by Wingers. Motion carried.

Motion by Foley to award the contract for the Bi-Polar Ionization System to DMC, LLC. In the amount of \$63,720. Second by Wingers. Motion carried.

Appointment Barry Pufahl to Public Safety Committee and Remove from Agriculture, Extension, Land and Water Conservation Committee

With the resignation of Doug Ferguson, Gove would like to move Pufahl to the Public Safety Committee and take him off of the Agriculture, Extension, Land and Water Conservation Committee as there will still be 5 members remaining on the committee.

Motion by Foley to approve the appointment of Barry Pufahl to the Public Safety Committee and remove him from the Agriculture, Extension, Land and Water Conservation Committee. Second by Koch. Motion carried. Pufahl abstained.

Hohl's Farm Supply Donation to Sheriff's Office K-9 Program

Brandner reported the Sheriff's Office received a \$20,000 donation from Hohl's Farm Supply to the K-9 Program. If accepted, the funds will be used towards the acquisition of a fourth canine in the Sheriff's Office. Brandner clarified his office does not do business with the company. He also mentioned the company donated the same amount to the Sauk County K-9 Program.

Motion by Pufahl to accept the \$20,000 donation from Hohl's Farm Supply for the K-9 Program. Second by Koch. Motion carried.

Body Scanner for Jail

Brandner requested to purchase a body scanner for the jail. This would allow jail staff to maintain a safe distance when searching incoming inmates for weapons or contraband, which is especially crucial during the current pandemic. The Accounting Department has confirmed the \$120,000-150,000 cost of the body scanner would be covered by COVID funds.

Motion by Koch to approve the purchase of a body scanner for the jail. Second by Pufahl. Motion carried.

Motion by Pufahl to adjourn the meeting. Second by Foley. Motion carried. The Executive Committee meeting was adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Bob Koch
Executive Committee Secretary

These minutes were recorded by Sue Moll, County Clerk