Town Board Meeting, March 27, 2018

Town Road Improvement Project Recommendation

One week ago today, the Town Road Improvement Project Committee officially opened the sealed bids submitted for the road improvement work planned for 2018.

The bid packages broke the work down into two separate contracts entitled: 2018 Road Maintenance and 2018 Road Improvements respectively.

Each contract was further divided into smaller sub contracts, alternate bids and supplemental bids to help attract a wide range of contractors.

The 2018 Road Maintenance contract involves crack filling and seal coating 23 town roads, covering approximately 15 miles.

Four general contractors, subcontractors, and material suppliers requested sets of the plans, specifications and bidding documents. Two contractors submitted bids.

The 2018 Road Improvement contract involves the pulverizing, shaping, compaction of millings, and the installation of a double chip seal surface or hot mix asphalt, on 51 town roads covering approximately 25 miles.

Ten general contractors, subcontractors, and material suppliers requested sets of the plans, specifications and bidding documents. Only, one contractor, however, submitted a bid.

The low bidder, using the base bid only, or any combination of the base bid and any alternate bid, or adding the supplemental bid items for both contracts, was Pitlik and Wick, Inc. of Eagle River. As outlined in the bid analyses prepared by Town & Country Engineering, Pitlik and Wick's bid for the 2018 Road Maintenance contract totaled \$216,572.09.

Additionally, their bid for the 2018 Road Improvement contract totaled \$2,538,984.64.

The combined total for both of these contracts is \$2,755,556.73.

This combined total is a very impressive \$634,864, or 18% below, the project's cost estimates used in its financial justification.

The project costs reflected in these two bids places the project in a very favorable position to achieve it's stated objective of not exceeding the approved \$5 million funding level.

Last Friday, the Town Road Improvement Project Committee unanimously approved Town & Country Engineering's recommendation to award Pitlik & Wick, Inc. the 2018 Road Maintenance and 2018 Road Improvement contracts totaling \$216,572.09 and \$2,538,984.64 respectively.

On behalf of the Town Road Improvement Project Committee, I ask you to officially approve the awarding of the contracts for the 2018 Road Maintenance and 2018 Road Improvements, as outlined in letters dated March 22, 2018 by Mark Barden, Town & County Engineering, Inc. to Pitlik and Wick, Inc.

Thank for your time and prompt consideration of this request.