

AGENDA ITEM # 15

Consider awarding, rejecting or extending bids for one (1) or more ambulances.

EMS Director John Sneed advised the low bidder was Taylor Made Ambulances of Arkansas who excepted to our structural requirements. He recommended awarding the bid to San Antonio Ambulance who was the next-lowest bid in the amount of \$80,138.00 per unit.

Moved: Commissioner Boatright

Seconded: Judge Doerfler

Motion: To award bids for one (1) or more ambulances to San Antonio Ambulance in the amount of \$80,138.00 per unit.

Vote: Motion carried 5 - 0

AGENDA ITEM # 16

Consider issuance of certificates of obligation for road improvements in the amount of \$20,000,000.00 and consider hiring financial advisor and bond counsel.

The court discussed roads in the four (4) precincts which needed attention both for necessary repairs and those most heavily traveled.

County Road Superintendent Greg Bergeron distributed a listing of traffic counts, footage and estimated repair costs for most of the roads in Williamson County.

Commissioner Limmer discussed roads in Precinct #4 which needed complete renovation instead of a "patch".

Commissioner Boatright suggested each Commissioner discuss their intended use of the funds. He would like to enter into an interlocal agreement with the City of Cedar Park to commit \$500,000.00 for construction of County Road 185;

Interlocal Agreement with City of Leander for County Roads 268 or 273 for \$500,000.00 participation with the city for improvements and; \$500,000.00 for safety improvements (turn lane and signalization at major intersections between Seward Junction and Riverbend Estates) on West Highway 29 on which four (4) deaths have occurred in the last two (2) weeks and if the money was divided equally between each precinct, using the remaining funds to be divided equally between County Road 200 and County 214.

Commissioner Boatright also discussed the remaining 1996 bond funds from the Brushy Creek project which can only be used for right-of-way for SH 45 or 183A or something else included in the 1996 bond election package.

Commissioner Boatright suggested concentrating on the roads most heavily traveled with each commissioner submitting a listing of such roads in each precinct. His most heavily traveled roads are Brushy Creek and County Road 185 in the western portion of Precinct #2.

County Road Superintendent Greg Bergeron suggested County Roads 124, 111, 145, 152, 245 and 234 were badly in need of repairs.

Commissioner Hays discussed a very dangerous intersection at State Highway 195 and County Road 190 in which 4,500 vehicles merge into two (2) lanes with huge oak trees located at this intersection at Berry Creek Subdivision. He felt a center turn lane would be appropriate.

Commissioner Limmer felt the state highways and the proposed extension of Innerloop from Highway 29 at D.B. Woods Road southeast to IH 35 and Lake Georgetown dam to Shell Road on northwest side should be included in a bond package for which the public will vote.

Commissioner Limmer discussed some county roads in extreme need of repair which do not have high traffic counts but safety issues require addressing with County Road 122 as top priority.

Commissioner Heiligenstein requested a listing of priority roads in each precinct. He also stated Wyoming Springs south of Farm-to-Market 620 is his most important project because it is the only relief for Farm-to-Market 620.

Moved: Commissioner Boatright

Seconded: Judge Doerfler

Motion: To retain First Southwest Company as financial advisor and McCall, Parkhurst and Horton, Attorneys as bond council for the possible issuance of \$20m certificates of obligation.

Vote: Motion carried 5 - 0

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