



**WEESAW TOWNSHIP**  
**New Troy, MI 49119**  
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**Special Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, January 11, 2024**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Special Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Sommers at 11:30 a.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Members Present: Art King, Gary Sommers, Robert Warmbein.

**GUESTS:** Steve Czadzeck, Abonmarche; Weesaw Parks Committee Members Mike Metz and Jack Dodds (remote); representatives of R. Yoder Construction, CPM Construction, and Indiana Earth.

Chairman Sommers opened the meeting by reviewing the agenda and then turned the discussion over to Steve Czadzeck.

Czadzeck briefly summarized the bidding process on the Recreation Passport Grant Weesaw Township Park Development plan. He indicated that there had been three general contractor bids, with another bid that might possibly arrive by mail today, January 11<sup>th</sup>. The mail was checked; there were no other bids.

Chairman Sommers briefly summarized the Berrien County Soil Erosion Permit (SESC) required by the grant. It was decided that Czadzeck would take the signed permit application to the Drain Commissioner's office.

At 12:00 p.m., the bidding period for the Weesaw Township Recreation Passport Grant officially closed. Czadzeck opened the bids and determined that all three bidders had submitted the required documents: bid form, bid bond, debarment certification, non-collusive affidavit, Addendum 1, and Addendum 2. The bids from the general contractors:

- R. Yoder Construction: \$297,845.00
- CPM Construction: \$341,891.11
- Indiana Earth: \$443,833.00

Discussion turned to the extent to which the bids exceeded the grant total for the project of \$181,000.00 and ways that the bids could be reduced closer to the amount of the grant. One possible reduction would be to omit the fireplace in the picnic pavilion. The fireplace bids were, respectively: R. Yoder, \$43,800.00; CPM, \$40,636.00; Indiana Earth, \$29,900.00.

Trustee King proposed that we individually consider the line items in the respective bids and then meet again to decide how to proceed and which contractor to choose for the work. Czadzeck indicated that he would return for this meeting, recommendations for a contractor would be made, and the final contractor would be chosen by February 21, 2024.

Chairman Sommers indicated he would call another meeting.

**Adjourn:** 12:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Dodds  
Weesaw Township Parks Committee Secretary