

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF LAUREL

September 28, 2010

A special meeting of the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana, was held in the Council Chambers and called to order by Mayor Ken Olson at 6:00 p.m. on September 28, 2010.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Kate Hart Doug Poehls
 Chuck Rodgers Mark Mace
 Vacant Chuck Dickerson

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Emelie Eaton Norm Stamper

OTHER STAFF PRESENT: Bill Sheridan
 Christina Kracher
 Jackie Kuhl, Great West Engineering

PUBLIC INPUT: None.

SCHEDULED MATTER:

- **Resolution No. R10-111: A resolution awarding the bid and authorizing the Mayor to sign a contract with Blacktop, Inc. for the City of Laurel's 2010 Street Maintenance Project.**

Motion by Council Member Dickerson to approve Resolution No. R10-111, seconded by Council Member Poehls. There was no public comment.

Mayor Olson introduced Jackie Kuhl, Great West Engineering, who has been the point person on this project.

Council Member Poehls stated that the letter of recommendation says that the bid was less than the engineer's opinion of probable cost. He asked what the difference was in the cost.

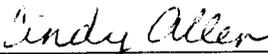
Jackie stated that the estimated cost was approximately \$250,000, so the bid is considerably less. Jackie pointed out that Blacktop, Inc. is the second lowest bidder on the project. The reason for the second lowest bidder is that the bid documents submitted by the first lowest were incomplete. They did not affix their corporate as required by EJCVC and as required by the instructions to bidders. The second lowest bidder would be able to start work on October 11th, and the first and third bidders are able to start next week. The decision is up to the council as to which contractor is preferred. Jackie stated that Great West recommends the second lowest bidder, as their references were impeccable.

A vote was taken on the motion to approve Resolution No. R10-111. All five council members present voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT:

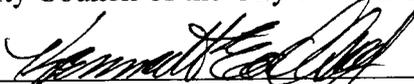
Motion by Council Member Poehls to adjourn the council meeting, seconded by Council Member Mace. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All five council members present voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

There being no further business to come before the council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m.



Cindy Allen, Council Secretary

Approved by the Mayor and passed by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana, this 5th day of October, 2010.



Kenneth E. Olson, Jr., Mayor

Attest:



Cathy Gabrian, Deputy Clerk