

## Wilmington Public Safety Facility Meeting

January 07, 2021

Present: Chuck Clerici, Chief Moore, Chief Murano, Dennis Richter, Jeremy White

Architects & Engineers: Casey Gecha

Public Present: Scott Tucker, Tom, Fitzgerald

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

### **Review Bids:**

Chuck asks everyone to get score sheets to Gretchen by Friday.

Breadloaf – only bid that did not have bid bond included. Chuck and Casey feel that it is a cause for concern- Would their bid price fluctuate based on material prices? VMS didn't list references.

Chief Moore has visited Stowe & Middlebury buildings, both done by Breadloaf, they were both very impressive.

Dennis – Breadloaf's bid stuck out as the clear superior for him. Jeremy agrees.

Chief Murano – no other bidders besides Breadloaf had the necessary experience to prove their capability in handling this project. GPI has done projects of similar square footage – but only bare industrial-use buildings. He checked BBB for any alerts/frauds/civil actions – didn't find any.

Spoke with some police chiefs in neighboring towns whose facilities were completed by Breadloaf. Chief in Vergennes said they had some minor issues after a year. Breadloaf came by and fixed it right away.

Chuck asks for board's opinion on choosing an alternate winning bid in case something went askew with the first. Committee would like to interview Breadloaf and should also interview the alternate if one is decided on.

Chief Murano – Would prefer to have bid opened back up committee shouldn't settle for alternate – would not feel comfortable picking a second place in this case.

Jeremy agrees that if something went askew he would prefer to reopen bid, especially with changes in material price.

Dennis – other 3 bids did not impress – would want to reopen bid as well

Chief Moore- this project is complicated and needs to be done by an experienced GC familiar with OSHA/NFPA standards. Feels bid should be reopened if something were to happen.

Chief Murano & Chief Moore to interview Breadloaf.

Scott Tucker asks for numbers for anything outside GC responsibility. Chief Moore says this should be ready by tomorrow.

Committee wants all adds and none of the deducts shown in the bid alternates.

Meeting adjourned @ 6:55pm

Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 2pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Lopez

Secretary