

MEETING MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF ONEIDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

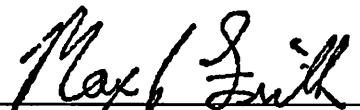
The meeting was opened by commissioner Firth.

LHTAC has rejected the low bid on the Narrows project for non compliance with a rule to hire DBE (disadvantaged business entities) for a portion of the project. The commissioners must decide if they will accept the second bid which is over the allotted funding or if they desire to reject that bid as well. If the second bid is rejected then the bid process will begin over with modifications to the project.

One option is to rebid and to reschedule the work to require that the culverts and crossings be installed this fall and then the remainder of the work take place next spring/summer time frame. With this option the water would be at a low point which could help in the culvert installation. A drawback to the rebidding option is that the bids could come in higher than the current bids. It is hoped that they would have more than two bidders on the second round. It is also thought that if the project time line is split to allow some work this fall and the remainder next spring that it would entice more companies to bid.

Commissioner Daniels made the motion to reject the two current bids and to rebid the project. Commissioner Firth seconded and the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned.



Max C. Firth, Chairman



Matthew L. Colton, Clerk