Article I. General Provisions

Sec. 1. COMPOSITION
The President and the Village Board of Trustees shall constitute and be the Board of Local Improvements and the Village Clerk shall be ex-officio the Clerk of the Board of Local Improvements.

Sec. 2. MEETINGS
No regular meeting of the Board of Local Improvements shall be scheduled, but special meetings of said Board may be called in the same manner as special meetings of the Village Board of Trustees are called.

Sec. 3. DUTIES
All contracts for the construction of any public improvements, to be paid for wholly or in part by a special assessment of tax, and any other public improvements when the expense thereof shall exceed twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000.00) shall be let by contract to the lowest responsible bidder in the manner prescribed by State law and shall be first approved by the President and Village Board of Trustees.

The Village of Downs defines responsible bidder in the case of bidders for constructions project (constructions of new facilities, renovation of current facilities or road construction projects) over twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000.00).

“Responsible bidder for construction contracts means a bidder who meets all of the following applicable criteria, and submits evidence of such compliance:

a. All applicable laws prerequisite to doing business in Illinois.

b. Evidence of compliance with:

1) Federal Employer Tax Identification Number or Social Security number (for individuals).

2) Provision of Section 2000(e) of Chapter 21, Title 42 of the United States Code and Federal Executive order No. 11244 as amended by Executive Order No. 11375 (known as the Equal Opportunity Employer provisions).

c. Certificate of insurance indicating the following coverage’s: general liability, completed operations, automobile, product liability at minimum level of $1,000,000.00; Workers’ Compensation coverage at a level that meets the minimum criteria set forth by the Illinois Workers’ Compensation Commission; and Commercial Umbrella coverage at a minimum level of $5,000,000.00.
d. Compliance with all provisions of the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act, including wages, medical and hospitalization insurance and retirement for those trades as covered in the Act.

e. Participation in apprenticeship and training programs approved and registered with the United States Department of Labor’s Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training.

f. Written statement regarding zero tolerance for harassment of any type.

g. At the discretion of The Village of Downs Board of Trustees a wage and welfare bond, the amount of which is to be contingent upon the costs associated with any bid project.

Nothing set forth herein shall be construed to affect any suit or proceeding now pending in any Court or any rights accrued or liability incurred or any cause or causes of action accrued or existing under any prior resolution or ordinance; nor shall any right of remedy of any character be lost, impaired, or affected by this ordinance.

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