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**TO: Members, Board of Education  
Dr. Constance Collins, Superintendent**

**FROM: Therese M. O'Neill, Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations  
Norman Lane, Director of Buildings & Grounds**

**RE: Summer 2010 Capital Projects –Asbestos Abatement Recommendations**

**DATE: March 23, 2010**

Associated with the summer 2010 Capital Projects work is relegated asbestos abatement work. The Director of Buildings & Grounds works with an asbestos abatement consultant, rather than the architect in the construction of the bid document. Attached is the legal notice announcing a bid opening on March 4, 2010, which appeared in the January 28, 2010 issue of Oak Leaves. Also attached is a list of vendors invited to bid. On March 4, 2010, eight bids were received and also attached is a spreadsheet listing base and alternate bids for each.

The low bidder, SB Enterprises, Inc., was contacted by Environ, to discuss their submitted bid and qualifications for the work. The estimator reported that there was an error in the bid and SB Enterprises was requesting that they be allowed to “retract their bid”. Included in this packet is their letter as well as a detailed letter from Environ refuting some facts, and recommending non-award to SB Enterprises. These materials have been shared with our legal counsel and he is supporting the recommendation from Environ.

Therefore, the Administration is recommending award to Celtic Environmental. Celtic is an Illinois licensed asbestos abatement contractor, and references have been checked and previous clients are very pleased with their performance. The low bid (\$87,085) plus three recommended alternates (\$13,440) total \$100,525 is about \$11,000 below the estimated cost of work.

**Attachments (6)**

