

# Airport board approves hangar bids

*One bid package will be rebid*

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MT. VERNON — The Mt. Vernon Airport Authority Board of Commissioners approved two bid packages for the Hangar A-800 Revitalization project, while having another bid package rebid with modifications.

"The project was broken down into four different segments," said airport director Chris Collins. "You had the general trades, which was putting sheet metal back up, taking sheet metal off. Then we had electrical, the new doors and then there was an alternate on painting."

According to the bid tabulation sheet, six companies took part in the bidding process. KT Electric had the low bid for the electrical scope at \$16,030. Powerlift Doors of Illinois had the the only bid for the hangar door scope at \$110,198.

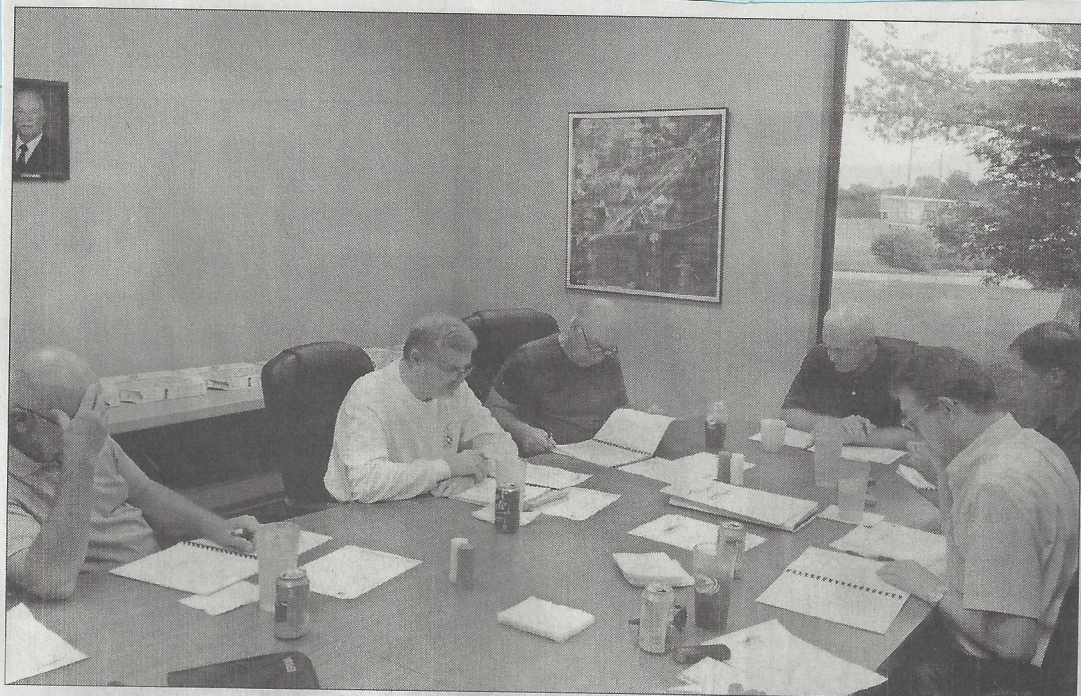
For the electrical and hangar door bids, the board approved the low bidders.

The board chose to not move forward with the alternate bid for painting.

The remaining bid package was for general trades work. Three companies bid on the project, including the low bidder, Wheeler Construction at \$84,850, Bevis Construction at \$98,000 and Depew & Owen at \$138,852.

Collins said that they had established a budget of \$200,000 for this project and if they were to accept all of the low bidders they would be \$11,000 over budget.

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**BIDS APPROVED** — The Mt. Vernon Airport Authority Board of Commissioners approved two bid packages for the Hangar A-800 Revitalization project. Discussion was had and the board approved rebidding one bid pack general trades work.

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"We talked at length about what could be done," Collins said. "Brian [Edmison, architect] and I think there is still more the airport could do to lessen the general trades part of it to get us back on track for \$200,000."

"The fairest way of doing it is to rebid the general trades work with some modifications."

A concern was brought up to as the fairness to the low bidder of the general trades package, whose bid was substantially lower than the other two bidders.

"He is the one that has got his feet the closest to the flame. He is the only one that is going to feel this. These other two guys are out of the game anyway, that is how I look at it," said board commissioner Mike Ancona.

On the advisement of Edmison as well as the overall laws of the bidding process, the board moved forward with approving to rebid

package one general trades with modifications.

### IN OTHER BUSINESS:

- The board approved to continue to freeze the annual tax levy ordinance at \$123,128.

- The board approved the prevailing wage rate ordinance 2018-05.

- The board approved an agreement with the City of Mt. Vernon for Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting (ARFF) training class.

- The 10th annual Midwest LSA Expo will be Sept. 6, 7 and 8.

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