

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT OLIVE, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, REJECTING ALL BIDS FOR THE CONTRACT FOR THE DESIGN CONSULTANT FOR TOT LOT AT TURKEY BROOK PARK**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Mount Olive publicly advertised for bids in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq. and the Local Lands & Building Laws, N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1 et seq. for design consultant services for Tot Lot at Turkey Brook Park ; and

**WHEREAS**, on the publicly advertised bid opening date, the Township received proposals from the three (3) following vendors:

Suburban Consulting Engineers

\$3,950 – conceptual design  
\$21,215 – option 1  
\$25,215 – option 2

Van Cleef Engineering Associates

\$24,500 – including conceptual design

Boyce Associates

\$138,270 – including conceptual design

**WHEREAS**, Suburban Consulting Engineers, Inc., submitted its bid without the requisite bid bond which was required by the specifications and which is a mandatory item which cannot be waived by the Township in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law. N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., thus rendering such a defect as fatal and requires that said bid be rejected; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township had a budget of \$5,000 for conceptual design because the Township did not want to commit more funds if it did not like the concept;

**WHEREAS**, the other two proposals that were submitted were in excess of this threshold amount; and

**WHEREAS**, the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., authorizes the Township to reject all the proposals received for these reasons.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The three (3) proposal submissions received by the Township for the design consultant services for Tot Lot at Turkey Brook Park are hereby rejected in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law and the reasons set forth in this Resolution.
2. The Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed on behalf of the Township to re-advertise for bid proposal submissions for the above referenced project in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law and to return any bid bonds submitted by the vendors in accordance with the latest bid proposal submission(s).

This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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COLLEEN LABOW  
Mount Olive Township Council President

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution passed by the Mount Olive Township Council at a duly convened meeting held on \_\_\_\_\_, 2013.

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LISA M. LASHWAY  
Mount Olive Township Municipal Clerk