

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
HERINGTON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 487  
CITY/SCHOOL OFFICES**

**July 6, 2010  
5:33 p.m.**

A waiver of notice was signed by board members and the group reconvened at 5:33 p.m., July 6, 2010. Board members present were Alan Stuart, Anna Gustafson, Stacey Berndt (phone) and David Powell (Skype), Superintendent John Thissen and Clerk of the Board Robyn Heitfield. Phil Brockmeier was absent. A waiver of notice was signed by board members. Stacey Berndt excused herself from the meeting at 5:45 p.m.

**1. GROUP 1 BIDS**

Bids were submitted and presented to the board on site utilities:

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|---------------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Hutton Budget | Nowak Construction | J&K Contracting | Mies Construction |
| \$498,125     | \$519,649.50       | \$461,607.50    | \$907,541.50      |

With J&K Contracting coming in at low bid and the references checks that were completed, Hutton's recommendation was J&K Contracting. Before a motion could be made Bret Beye voiced his concerns in accepting this company's bid. The City of Herington sub-contracted with this company on the sewer project and was very frustrated and dissatisfied with the scope of work. J&K was also the contractor for Iron Horse and sub-contracted everything out on the project. The company was never seen on location. Mr. Beye noted the company had recently taken on new ownership at the time. Other board members recognized his concern but acknowledged that much time had passed and references were currently very good. Kaw Valley Engineering, the company working with the district on this project referred J&K Contracting as well. Mr. Beye noted that because J&K came in under Hutton's budget and was considerably less than the other bids, he would still consider accepting the bid due to the time that had lapsed. With this information presented to Hutton, Jim Keusler suggested it would be prudent for the board to wait a couple of days until further references and direct contact with the company could be made. The board tabled the bids until the next meeting.

**2. ADJOURNMENT**

At 5:58 p.m. Bret Beye declared the meeting adjourned.

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Robyn Heitfield, Clerk of the Board of Education

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Bret Beye, Vice-President

Date: \_\_\_\_\_