

Bid Opening Minutes
Joliet Township Road District
2026 Sugar Creek Spillway Bid
175 West Jefferson Street, Joliet, IL 60432
Wednesday, September 30, 2026 at 1:30 P.M.

The bid opening for the 2026 Sugar Creek Spillway was called to order at 1:32 P.M. on Wednesday, September 30, 2026. Luke Zeller and Evan Storm of Hutchison Engineering, along with Township Clerk Kendra Landfair, were in attendance. A sign-in sheet reflecting the contractors present is attached.

Mr. Zeller welcomed those in attendance and read aloud the legal notice for the bid opening, which was published in the *Joliet Herald-News* on Wednesday, September 9, 2026. The Clerk provided the sealed bids to Mr. Zeller. Mr. Zeller announced that a total of four bids had been received and proceeded with the opening of the bids.

The four sealed bids that were received for the 2026 Sugar Creek Spillway bid were opened in the following order:

CONTRACTOR	TOTAL PRICE
Len Cox & Sons Excavating	\$172,040.00
Austin Tyler Construction	\$116,407.00
PT Ferro Construction	\$152,109.83
D. Construction	\$138,278.00

Following the unsealing and review of the bids, Mr. Zeller announced that Austin Tyler was the apparent lowest bidder, with a bid amount of \$116,407.00. One of the contractors in attendance asked whether an engineer's estimate had been prepared for the project. Mr. Zeller confirmed that an engineer's estimate had been prepared and stated that the estimate was around \$85,000. Mr. Zeller informed those in attendance that the submitted bids would be taken for further review and verification to ensure that all bid requirements had been met. Mr. Zeller also stated that a formal bid tabulation would be prepared following the review.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:37 p.m.



Kendra Landfair
Town Clerk

Note: Approximately an hour after the bid opening concluded, a Township employee provided a fifth bid to the Township Clerk that was delivered to the Township by a bidder prior to the bid submission deadline, but because of the Township's error, the Township Clerk did not receive the bid prior to 1:30 p.m. The fifth bid remains unopened. The Highway Commissioner provided the following letter to all bidders, which is included with these minutes for the record.



BID OPENING SIGN IN SHEET

Wednesday, September 30, 2026, 1:30 p.m.

Joliet Township Road District

2026 Sugar Creek Spillway

Town Board Room – First Floor
Joliet Township Government Office
175 West Jefferson Street
Joliet, Illinois 60432

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Name

Company

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Austin Tyler Construction

Logan Mills

P.T. Ferro

Luke Olbert

D Construction

Luke Zeller

Hutchison Engineering

Evan Storm

Hutchison Engineering

Art Rambo

Len Cox & Sons

JOLIET TOWNSHIP



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Vincent Alessio, Highway Commissioner

October 6, 2026

Dear Bidders:

We would like to provide an update regarding the 2026 Sugar Creek Spillway bid.

On the day of the bid opening, Wednesday, September 30, 2026, there were four bids received by the Township Clerk prior to the 1:30 p.m. bid submission deadline, and those four bids were subsequently opened at the bid opening. However, approximately an hour after the bid opening concluded, a Township employee provided a fifth bid to the Township Clerk that was delivered to the Township by a bidder prior to the deadline, but because of the Township's error, the Township Clerk did not receive the bid prior to 1:30 p.m. To date, the fifth bid remains unopened.

In the interest of fairness to all bidders, and because of the Township's error, the Road District will not award the project to any bidders and will restart the bid solicitation process.

We are sorry for the inconvenience and appreciate your time, effort, and patience throughout this process. We look forward to receiving your bids, if you choose to submit a second bid, and we will provide additional information regarding the new bid date and submission requirements as soon as they are finalized.

Thank you for your understanding and continued interest in the Joliet Township Road District and the 2026 Sugar Creek Spillway bid.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Vincent Alessio", is written over a horizontal line.

Vincent Alessio
Highway Commissioner
Joliet Township Road District