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WOODBINE AWARDS CONTRACT FOR SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL

Woodbine—Mayor William Pikolycky is pleased to announce that the Borough of Woodbine awarded a contract for the Safe Routes to Schools project, at the February 17 Council meeting. Contract was awarded to Charles Marandino, LLC, of Milmay, who was the low bidder at \$267,843.77

Other bidders were Bud Concrete \$319,432.97; Diamond Construction, \$298,161; Landberg Construction, \$333,462; Lexa Concrete, \$285,816.32; Ricky Slade Construction, \$310,114.40; SMB Paving, \$301, 237.37

The project will be funded by a New Jersey Department of Transportation grant in the amount of \$275,000 under the Safe Routes to Schools Program. This grant will go to the next phase, Infrastructure, portion of the Woodbine Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Program, which is comprised of three inter-related projects. These funds were made available through the SAFETEA-LU federal legislation.

The area of the project targets the neighborhood north of DeHirsch Avenue and Route 557 and the neighborhood west of Washington Avenue.

This Pedestrian Safety component is an additional phase of the sidewalk program that will address all areas of the Borough close to the school and library that do not presently have sidewalks on both sides of the street and more distant streets that do not have sidewalks on at least one side of the street. These construction efforts will include drainage, curbing, and handicapped curb cuts at intersections as necessary.

“DOT grants safety and quality-of-life projects at the local level without burdening local property taxpayers, and the level of competition for them demonstrates how valuable these grants are to us local officials who make difficult spending decisions each year,” added Mayor Pikolycky