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WOODBINE AWARDS TWO CONTRACTS TOTALLING APPROXIMATELY \$650,000

Woodbine—Mayor William Pikolycky is pleased to announce that two contracts were recently awarded , one by the Woodbine Port Authority and another by the Woodbine Borough Council.

The Woodbine Port Authority awarded a contract for Phase 1 of the apron expansion project at Woodbine Municipal Airport to South State, Inc., low bidder at \$398,351.75 .Other bidders were: Agate Construction and Mathis Construction.

Woodbine Municipal Airport is commencing construction of a new apron to better serve the aviation needs of the community. The project currently consists of a 120,000 square foot expansion of the existing aircraft apron and a new roadway located north of Henry DeCinque Boulevard, the airport's main entrance roadway. The airport is in need of additional apron area due to an increase in demand from prospective tenants. The road will provide access to existing facilities and connect to the new apron. Phase 1 construction has a budget of \$463,100.

The entire project consists of two construction phases. The first phase will be financed with NJDOT funds and includes tree clearing, utility demolition, utility relocation, pavement removal, and turf restoration. The second phase will be funded with approximately \$500,000 in FAA funds and includes pavement of the apron, tie down installation, and pavement markings. The second phase of construction is scheduled to start in August of this year, and will be going out to bid in about 60 days.

The Borough of Woodbine awarded a contract for the Safe Routes to Schools project, at the May 5 Council meeting. Contract was awarded to Charles Marandino, LLC, with a low bid of \$258,350.07

Other bidders were Bud Concrete, Inc. Diamond Construction; Pioneer General Contracting; Landberg Construction; Ricky Slade Construction, Inc.; Curbcon, Inc.

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.

“Both of these projects are not only important from a safety perspective, but also come at as a great economic opportunity to move our community goals further along,” noted Mayor Pikolycky