

**Resolution of the Demarest Governing Body**

**Resolution No. 076-26**

**March 23, 2026**

<b>Council Member</b>	<b>Motion</b>	<b>Second</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Slowikowski</b>			✓			
<b>Carmeli</b>		✓	✓			
<b>Collins</b>			✓			
<b>Fox</b>			✓			
<b>Marks</b>			✓			
<b>Reiss</b>	✓		✓			

**TITLE: RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT AWARD FOR 2025 UNIMPROVED ROAD PROJECT – ORCHARD ROAD AND WELLWOOD ROAD TO DLS CONTRACTING INC**

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**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Demarest (the “Borough”) upon advertisement and pursuant to specifications, solicited bid proposals for the 2025 Unimproved Road Project for Orchard Road and Wellwood Road; (the “Project”); and

**WHEREAS**, six (6) bid proposals were received by the Borough on February 20, 2026, the date set forth on the invitation for receipt of bid proposals; and

**WHEREAS**, the three lowest bids were submitted by DLS Contracting Inc. submitting a total base bid of \$402,509.00, LaForza Construction LLC, submitting a total base bid of \$407,131.55 and AJM Contractors Inc. submitting a total base bid of \$432,256.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the Engineer for the Borough has determined that the bid of DLS Contracting Inc. meets the bid specifications set forth in the invitation for bid proposals and was the lowest bidder; and

**WHEREAS**, after reviewing all bids submitted and on the basis of the foregoing, the Engineer for the Borough has recommended the contract for the Project be awarded to DLS Contracting Inc. in the amount of \$402,509.00; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough of Demarest that the bid proposal submitted by DLS Contracting Inc. shall be and is hereby accepted and the contract for the 2025 Unimproved Road Project for Orchard Road and Wellwood Road shall be awarded to DLS Contracting Inc.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough of Demarest that the contract for the 2025 Unimproved Road Project for Orchard Road and Wellwood Road is hereby awarded to DLS Contracting Inc. in the amount of \$402,509.00.

**APPROVED:**



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Andrea Slowikowski, Council President

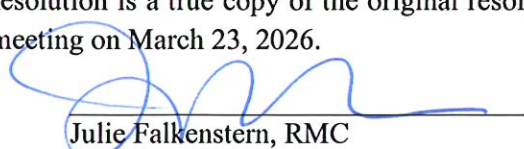
**CERTIFICATION OF CFO**

I, Andrea Diekmann Johe, do hereby certify the availability of funds for the expenditure referenced herein.

  
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Andrea Diekmann Johe, CFO

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Julie Falkenstern, Borough Clerk, of the Borough of Demarest, in the County of Bergen and the State of New Jersey do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution is a true copy of the original resolution duly passed and adopted by the Governing Body at the meeting on March 23, 2026.

  
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Julie Falkenstern, RMC  
Borough Clerk

400 Valley Road  
Suite 304  
Mt. Arlington New Jersey 07856  
Main: 877 627 3772



February 23, 2026

Julie Falkenstern  
Borough Administrator  
Borough of Demarest  
118 Serpentine Road  
Demarest, NJ 07627

**Re: Contract Award Recommendation**

2025 Unimproved Road Project – Orchard Road and Wellwood Road  
Demarest, Bergen County, NJ  
Colliers Engineering & Design Project No. DEB0079

Dear Ms. Falkenstern,

On Friday, February 20, 2026, public bids were received for the 2025 Unimproved Road Project – Orchard Road and Wellwood Road project. Six (6) contractors submitted bid proposals with the apparent low bidder as DLS Contracting Inc., 36 Montesano Road, Fair Field, NJ 07004. Attached is the bid tabulation sheet which summarizes the submitted bid proposals received.

Our office has reviewed the submitted proposals for mathematical errors, contractor experience, and completeness. Based on our review of the submitted bid proposals, we recommend the award to **DLS Contracting Inc.** in the amount of **\$402,509.00** for the Total Bid.

Our recommendation is subject to the approval of bid documents by the Mayor and Council and certification of funds by the Borough.

Should you have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Colliers Engineering & Design, Inc.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Nick Chelius".

Nick Chelius, PE  
Borough Engineer

NC/mt

Attachment: Bid Tabulation Summary

CC: Mayor and Council via Administrator ([boroadmin@demarestnj.gov](mailto:boroadmin@demarestnj.gov))  
Deena Rosendahl, Esq. Borough Attorney ([drosendahl@cgajlaw.com](mailto:drosendahl@cgajlaw.com))  
Andrea Jobe, Borough CFO ([ajobe@demarestnj.gov](mailto:ajobe@demarestnj.gov))  
Robert Culvert, CED ([Robert.culvert@colliersengineering.com](mailto:Robert.culvert@colliersengineering.com))

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BID TABULATION

DATE: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2026 @ 10:00 A.M.  
 PROJECT: 2025 UNIMPROVED ROAD PROJECT - ORCHARD ROAD AND WELLMOOD ROAD

PROJECT NO.: DEB0079  
 MUNICIPALITY: BOROUGH OF DEMAREST  
 COUNTY: BERGEN

BASE BID - 2025 UNIMPROVED ROADS PROJECT - ORCHARD ROAD & WELLMOOD ROAD

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	UNIT	QTY.	BIDDER 1			BIDDER 2			BIDDER 3		
				UNIT PRICE	TOTAL AMOUNT	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL AMOUNT	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL AMOUNT	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL AMOUNT	
1	SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL	LS	1	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	
2	TRAFFIC CONTROL MEASURES AND DEVICES	LS	1	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	
3	POLICE TRAFFIC DIRECTORS	HR	250	\$ 110.00	\$ 27,500.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 27,500.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 27,500.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 27,500.00	
4	FUEL PRICE ADJUSTMENT	DOLLAR	200	\$ 1.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 200.00	
5	ASPHALT PRICE ADJUSTMENT	DOLLAR	300	\$ 1.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 300.00	
6	CLEARING SITE	LS	1	\$ 19,429.00	\$ 19,429.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 26,000.00	\$ 26,000.00	\$ 26,000.00	\$ 26,000.00	
7	EXCAVATION, TEST PIT	CY	62	\$ 10.00	\$ 620.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 1,550.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 62.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 62.00	
8	EXCAVATION, UNCLASSIFIED	CY	1,035	\$ 42.00	\$ 43,470.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 41,400.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 46,575.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 46,575.00	
9	REMOVAL OF PAVEMENT	SY	46	\$ 10.00	\$ 460.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 2,300.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 460.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 460.00	
10	3/8" PEA GRAVEL, 3" THICK	CY	1	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 70.00	\$ 70.00	\$ 70.00	\$ 70.00	
11	NDOT COARSE AGGREGATE #57, 3" THICK	CY	1	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 68.00	\$ 68.00	\$ 68.00	\$ 68.00	
12	6" FINER ROCK	SY	15	\$ 150.00	\$ 2,250.00	\$ 8.50	\$ 127.50	\$ 65.00	\$ 975.00	\$ 65.00	\$ 975.00	
13	DENSE-GRADED AGGREGATE BASE COURSE, 6" THICK	SY	3,281	\$ 10.00	\$ 32,810.00	\$ 11.00	\$ 36,091.00	\$ 12.00	\$ 39,372.00	\$ 12.00	\$ 39,372.00	
14	TACK COAT	GALLON	471	\$ 3.00	\$ 1,413.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 471.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 2,355.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 2,355.00	
15	HOT MIX ASPHALT 9.5M4 SURFACE COURSE	TON	471	\$ 95.00	\$ 44,745.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 51,810.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 51,810.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 51,810.00	
16	HOT MIX ASPHALT 19M4 BASE COURSE	TON	751	\$ 95.00	\$ 71,345.00	\$ 108.00	\$ 81,108.00	\$ 98.00	\$ 73,598.00	\$ 98.00	\$ 73,598.00	
17	4" POLYVINYL CHLORIDE CURB DRAIN PIPE	LF	24	\$ 60.00	\$ 1,440.00	\$ 8.50	\$ 204.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 720.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 720.00	
18	BLACK VINYL CHAIN LINK FENCE, 4' HIGH	LF	17	\$ 120.00	\$ 2,040.00	\$ 88.25	\$ 1,500.25	\$ 150.00	\$ 2,550.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 2,550.00	
19	TIMBER GUIDE RAIL	LF	26	\$ 450.00	\$ 11,700.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 2,210.00	\$ 59.00	\$ 1,534.00	\$ 59.00	\$ 1,534.00	
20	CONCRETE DRIVEWAY, REINFORCED, 6" THICK	SY	37	\$ 99.00	\$ 3,663.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 4,625.00	\$ 105.00	\$ 3,885.00	\$ 105.00	\$ 3,885.00	
21	HOT MIX ASPHALT DRIVEWAY, 2" THICK	SY	115	\$ 39.00	\$ 4,485.00	\$ 36.00	\$ 4,140.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 5,750.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 5,750.00	
22	RESET PAVERS	SY	50	\$ 50.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 3.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 4,500.00	
23	BELGIAN BLOCK DRIVEWAY	SY	26	\$ 110.00	\$ 2,860.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 7,800.00	\$ 115.00	\$ 2,995.00	\$ 115.00	\$ 2,995.00	
24	9" X 18" CONCRETE VERTICAL CURB	LF	50	\$ 50.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 2,250.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 2,250.00	
25	BELGIAN BLOCK CURB	LF	500	\$ 45.00	\$ 22,500.00	\$ 39.00	\$ 19,500.00	\$ 47.00	\$ 23,500.00	\$ 47.00	\$ 23,500.00	
26	MOUNTABLE BELGIAN BLOCK CURB	LF	2,004	\$ 45.00	\$ 90,180.00	\$ 38.00	\$ 76,152.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 90,180.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 90,180.00	
27	TRAFFIC LINES, 4"	LF	100	\$ 4.50	\$ 450.00	\$ 4.45	\$ 445.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 500.00	
28	TRAFFIC MARKING LINES, 24"	LF	24	\$ 27.00	\$ 648.00	\$ 26.70	\$ 640.80	\$ 30.00	\$ 720.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 720.00	
29	REGULATORY AND WARNING SIGNS	SF	22	\$ 60.00	\$ 1,320.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 1,320.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 1,320.00	
30	RECONSTRUCTED MANHOLE SANITARY SEWER, USING EXISTING CASTING	UNIT	1	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 1,300.00	
31	RESET MANHOLE SANITARY SEWER, USING EXISTING CASTING	UNIT	3	\$ 1.00	\$ 3.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 3.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 600.00	
32	TREE REMOVAL OVER 6" TO 12" DIAMETER	UNIT	1	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 475.00	\$ 475.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	
33	TREE REMOVAL OVER 12" TO 18" DIAMETER	UNIT	2	\$ 900.00	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 3,400.00	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 3,400.00	
34	TREE REMOVAL OVER 18" TO 24" DIAMETER	UNIT	1	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 1,650.00	\$ 1,650.00	\$ 2,600.00	\$ 2,600.00	\$ 2,600.00	\$ 2,600.00	
35	TOPSOIL SPREADING, 6" THICK	SY	684	\$ 3.00	\$ 2,052.00	\$ 5.50	\$ 3,762.00	\$ 11.00	\$ 7,524.00	\$ 11.00	\$ 7,524.00	
36	FERTILIZING AND SEEDING, TYPE BNNMX-106	SY	684	\$ 1.00	\$ 684.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 4,104.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 1,368.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 1,368.00	
37	STRAW MULCHING	SY	684	\$ 1.00	\$ 684.00	\$ 3.00	\$ 2,052.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 684.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 684.00	
38	WOOD MULCHING	SY	204	\$ 2.00	\$ 408.00	\$ 2.25	\$ 459.00	\$ 9.00	\$ 1,836.00	\$ 9.00	\$ 1,836.00	
TOTAL BASE BID				\$ 402,509.00	\$ 402,509.00	\$ 407,317.55	\$ 407,317.55	\$ 432,256.00	\$ 432,256.00	\$ 432,256.00	\$ 432,256.00	\$ 432,256.00

BIDDER 1	BIDDER 2	BIDDER 3
DLS Contracting Inc 36 Montezano Road Fairfield, NJ 07004 973-661-4188	LsForce Construction LLC 53 Wadsworth Street Wallington, NJ 07057 201-842-0707	AMT Contractors Inc 300 Kuller Road Clifton, NJ 07011 973-772-9192

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				UNIT PRICE	TOTAL AMOUNT	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL AMOUNT	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL AMOUNT
1	SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL	LS	1	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00
2	TRAFFIC CONTROL MEASURES AND DEVICES	LS	1	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00
3	POLICE TRAFFIC DIRECTORS	HOURL	250	\$ 110.00	\$ 27,500.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 27,500.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 27,500.00
4	FUEL PRICE ADJUSTMENT	DOLLAR	200	\$ 1.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 200.00
5	ASPHALT PRICE ADJUSTMENT	DOLLAR	300	\$ 1.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 300.00
6	CLEARING SITE	LS	1	\$ 140,000.00	\$ 140,000.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 125,000.00	\$ 125,000.00
7	EXCAVATION, TEST PIT	CV	62	\$ 5.00	\$ 310.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 6,200.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 4,650.00
8	EXCAVATION, UNCLASSIFIED	CV	1,035	\$ 3.00	\$ 3,105.00	\$ 65.00	\$ 67,275.00	\$ 7.00	\$ 69,345.00
9	REMOVAL OF PAVEMENT	SY	46	\$ 10.00	\$ 460.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 1,150.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 46.00
10	3/8" PEA GRAVEL, 3" THICK	CV	1	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
11	NIDOT COARSE AGGREGATE #57, 3" THICK	CV	1	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 70.00	\$ 70.00
12	6" RIVER ROCK	SY	15	\$ 100.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 1,875.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 1,200.00
13	DENSE-GRADED AGGREGATE BASE COURSE, 6" THICK	SY	15	\$ 100.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 1,875.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 1,200.00
14	TRACK COAT	GALLON	471	\$ 1.00	\$ 471.00	\$ 0.01	\$ 4.71	\$ 0.01	\$ 4.71
15	HOT MIX ASPHALT 9.5M64 SURFACE COURSE	TON	471	\$ 90.00	\$ 42,390.00	\$ 130.00	\$ 61,230.00	\$ 105.00	\$ 49,455.00
16	HOT MIX ASPHALT 9M64 BASE COURSE	TON	751	\$ 80.00	\$ 60,080.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 75,100.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 67,590.00
17	4" POLYVINYL CHLORIDE CURB DRAIN PIPE	LF	24	\$ 100.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 240.00
18	BLACK VINYL CHAIN LINK FENCE, 4' HIGH	LF	17	\$ 150.00	\$ 2,550.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 3,400.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 1,530.00
19	TIMBER GUIDE RAIL	LF	26	\$ 110.00	\$ 2,860.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 5,200.00	\$ 70.00	\$ 1,820.00
20	CONCRETE DRIVEWAY, REINFORCED, 6" THICK	SY	37	\$ 130.00	\$ 4,810.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 5,550.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 5,550.00
21	HOT MIX ASPHALT DRIVEWAY, 2" THICK	SY	115	\$ 30.00	\$ 3,450.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 5,750.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 4,025.00
22	RESET PAVERS	SY	50	\$ 110.00	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 6,250.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 8,750.00
23	BELGIAN BLOCK DRIVEWAY	SY	26	\$ 300.00	\$ 7,800.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 3,900.00	\$ 213.00	\$ 5,538.00
24	9" X 18" CONCRETE VERTICAL CURB	LF	50	\$ 40.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 2,250.00
25	BELGIAN BLOCK CURB	LF	500	\$ 40.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 25,000.00
26	MOUNTABLE BELGIAN BLOCK CURB	LF	2,004	\$ 65.00	\$ 130,260.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 80,160.00	\$ 58.00	\$ 116,232.00
27	TRAFFIC LINES, 4"	LF	100	\$ 16.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 5.50	\$ 550.00	\$ 4.45	\$ 445.00
28	TRAFFIC MARKING LINES, 24"	LF	24	\$ 22.00	\$ 528.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 720.00	\$ 26.70	\$ 640.80
29	REGULATORY AND WARNING SIGNS	UNIT	22	\$ 60.00	\$ 1,320.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 1,320.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 1,100.00
30	RECONSTRUCTED MANHOLE, SANITARY SEWER, USING EXISTING CASTING	UNIT	1	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
31	RESET MANHOLE, SANITARY SEWER, USING NEW CASTING	UNIT	1	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 3.00
32	TREE REMOVAL, OVER 6" TO 12" DIAMETER	UNIT	1	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 650.00	\$ 650.00
33	TREE REMOVAL, OVER 12" TO 18" DIAMETER	UNIT	2	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 2,400.00
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36	FERTILIZING AND SEEDING, TYPE ENHANCE-106	SY	684	\$ 1.00	\$ 684.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 684.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 1,368.00
37	STRAW MULCHING	SY	684	\$ 1.00	\$ 684.00	\$ 0.01	\$ 6.84	\$ 2.00	\$ 1,368.00
38	WOOD MULCHING	SY	204	\$ 2.00	\$ 408.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 10,200.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 1,020.00
TOTAL BASE BID				\$ 477,869.00	\$ 467,410.55	\$ 608,888.51			

BIDDER 4	BIDDER 5	BIDDER 6
Cifelli & Son General Contracting, Inc 81 Franklin Avenue Nutley, NJ 07110 973-235-0302 973-235-0456	D & L Paving Contractors, Inc 675 Franklin Ave Nutley, NJ 07110 973-667-7200	4 Clean Up, Inc PO Box 5096 North Bergen, NJ 07047 201-271-0042 201-271-0118