

I am therefore of the opinion that it is not permissible to read anything out of this specific statute, and that the provisions thereof that notice shall be given for three weeks consecutively, in a newspaper of general circulation in the corporation is mandatory, and that any other form of compliance would necessarily be reading a different provision into or out of this statute.

You are therefore advised that the property owners interested in the payment of assessments to meet these bonds have not been notified of said assessments as required by law, and for that reason may refuse payment therefore, and you are further advised not to accept said bonds for this reason.

Respectfully,
C. C. CRABBE,
Attorney General.

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APPROVAL, CONTRACT BETWEEN STATE OF OHIO AND CLAGUE & STROHL, BOWLING GREEN, OHIO, COVERING CONSTRUCTION AND COMPLETION OF COMBINED GENERAL CONTRACT, ELECTRICAL WORK AND PIPE HANGERS FOR TUNNEL EXTENSION FROM WAYNE STREET TO NORTH CORRIDOR, BOWLING GREEN STATE NORMAL SCHOOL, BOWLING GREEN, OHIO, AT EXPENDITURE OF \$4,207.88. SURETY BOND EXECUTED BY THE OHIO CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, April 24, 1926.

HON. G. F. SCHLESINGER, *Director of Highways and Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted for my approval a contract between the State of Ohio, acting by the Department of Highways and Public Works, for and on behalf of the Board of Trustees of Bowling Green State Normal School, and Clague & Strohl, of Bowling Green, Ohio. This contract covers the construction and completion of combined general contract, electrical work and pipe hangers, for tunnel extension from Wayne Street to north corridor, Bowling Green State Normal School, Bowling Green, Ohio, and calls for an expenditure of \$4,207.88.

You have submitted the certificate of the Director of Finance to the effect that there are unencumbered balances legally appropriated in a sum sufficient to cover the obligations of the contract. There has further been submitted a contract bond upon which The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company appears as surety, sufficient to cover the amount of the contract.

You have further submitted evidence indicating that plans were properly prepared and approved, notice to bidders was properly given, bids tabulated as required by law and the contract duly awarded. Also it appears that the laws relating to the status of surety companies and the workmen's compensation have been complied with.

Finding said contract and bond in proper legal form, I have this day noted my approval thereon and return the same herewith to you, together with all other data submitted in this connection.

Respectfully,
C. C. CRABBE,
Attorney General.