

Memorandum
Public Works Department
Purchasing Division

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TO: Albert J. Rigoni, Village Manager

FROM: 
Michael Aleksic, Purchasing Agent


Max Slankard, Director of Public Works

DATE: October 24, 2013

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item – Tractor and Mower Deck**

Pricing for the above referenced items was obtained through the National Joint Purchasing Alliance (NJPA). The Village is a member of the NJPA, which is a national purchasing organization that competitively solicits bids for a wide variety of commodities on behalf of its members.

<u>Budget Amount</u>	<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Project Number</u>
\$32,472 (vehicle #208)	020-0420-418.07-42	H64083
\$ 8,659 (vehicle #208A)	020-0420-418.07-42	H64084

Tabulation: Buck Brothers Inc., Hampshire, IL

One (1), John Deere 5055D utility tractor.	\$17,862.44
One (1), John Deere MX6 lift-type rotary cutter.	\$ 2,426.27
Total	\$20,288.71

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the award of contract be made to Buck Brothers Inc. of Hampshire, Illinois in the amount of \$20,288.71.

Comments:

The FY 2014 CIP includes funding for the replacement of one (1) agriculture-type tractor and one (1) mower deck. (Fleet numbers 208 and 208A) The tractor being replaced is thirty-three (33) years old and is used by the Public Works Department to cut high growth grass in open fields and railroad right-of-ways. The tractor (208) is prone to frequent breakdowns and parts are becoming increasingly difficult to find due to its age. The mower deck (208A) is ten (10) years old and is subject to extreme conditions due to

the rough nature of the areas the mower cuts. The mower has reached the end of its useful life. The retired tractor and mower will be sold at the Northwest Municipal Conference Auction. While the Village has not dealt directly with Buck Brothers Inc. in the past, we have checked their references, including the Skokie Park District, and are satisfied with the results.

cc: John T. Lockerby, Assistant Village Manager
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