



Meeting: Village Board
Meeting Date: 11/25/2013
Agenda Item: 6d

Mission Statement
Delivering quality services in a courteous, cost-effective and efficient manner.

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING STAFF REPORT

REPORT TO: Burt R. McIntyre, President
Village Board of Trustees

REVIEWED BY:

REPORT FROM: Geoffrey S. Farr, PE, Director of Public Works

AGENDA ITEM: Review and take action on the bidding and purchase of a used dump truck.

POLICY ISSUE

Should the Village Board approve the purchase / bidding on a used dump truck?

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Village has included the purchase of a used dump truck in its 2014 budget. This truck is needed to provide additional operational flexibility as we are often short one or two dump trucks. This dump truck would be used for several purposes, including serving as a 2nd sewer or watermain repair dump truck during the summer, spring and fall when the other dump trucks are dedicated to construction projects, ditching or brush collection in the summer. This will avoid wasting time with multiple trips using smaller trucks, as we currently do, and will make work faster and more efficient. We also have dump truck shortages when we are collecting leaves, hauling mulch and patching asphalt that occurs at the same time in the fall. We would also use the truck as a dedicated anti-ice spray truck in the winter which would improve the number of trucks available for salting following plowing operations. Normally I wouldn't recommend the purchase of a used dump truck for regular municipal emergency fleet use, however because it would be a pool vehicle used for multiple operations serving non time critical functions.

Normally buying a used dump truck means getting one with very high mileage, one that has been exposed to significant amounts of salt, has other damage or has been abused. As a result finding a decent truck might normally take some time to hunt for a good one. I had planned on looking over the spring and summer of 2014, however, unexpectedly a nice truck was identified that is up for auction locally on November 27, 2013 (Wednesday). Staff has inspected the truck and reviewed the maintenance records. It does need a couple of minor repairs, but the truck is in decent shape with very low mileage. This truck is not new and would not be suitable as a long term regular emergency fleet vehicle. That is why they are getting rid of it. Keep in mind that a new dump truck and plow setup costs about \$250,000.

Up for auction is a 1999 (2000) International 2654 6x4 60,000 lb GVWR tandem axel dump truck with 60,000 miles. It has an Allison transmission and a 300 hp International diesel engine. It also comes with a plow, wing and salt spreader. It is similar to our 1999 (2000) International 2674 6x4 tri axel dump truck. The wing is capable of shelving snow and we currently only have one vehicle that can perform that function. As such when shelving is needed it takes a very long time in heavy snow years.

I don't want to state how much I would recommend bidding in this report as the truck is up for competitive bids, plus a buyer fee of 8%. We will discuss pricing at the board meeting. This is a desirable truck and there is some local interest (contractors and municipalities). It is a pretty decent truck and another opportunity may not come along like this one very soon. The Village like any other private party would make an attempt at a good buying opportunity when it comes along. Currently the price is very low and the price will rise significantly on the final bid day. If successful, the truck would be available for delivery and use on Dec 3rd 2013. Chris Haltom said that advancing the purchase prior to Jan 1, 2014 would not impact Village finances.



PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW

The 2014 budget includes the purchase of a used dump truck.

FISCAL IMPACT:

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| 1. Is There A Fiscal Impact? | <u>Yes</u> |
| 2. Is it Currently Budgeted? | <u>Yes</u> |
| 3. If Budgeted, Which Line? | <u>Street capital</u> |
| 4. Amount? | <u>Discuss at the Board Meeting</u> |

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Village staff recommends that the Village Board approve the purchase of a used dump truck.

If the Village Board agrees with this action, the following motion could be used, ***"Motion to approve the purchase of a used International dump pickup truck for \$XX,XXX"***.

POLICY ALTERNATIVE(S)

The Village Board could take the following actions:

- Approve the purchase
- Deny the purchase

ATTACHED INFORMATION

- I. None

COPIES FORWARDED TO:

- I. None