



MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

DATE: 11/06/2013

CONSENT

ITEM #: 11

AGENDA ITEM: Purchase of a New Single Axle Plow Truck

SUBMITTED BY: Mike Bouthilet, Public Works Director

THROUGH: Dean Zuleger, City Administrator

REVIEWED BY: Cathy Bendel, Maintenance Advisory Committee / Finance Director

SUGGESTED ORDER OF BUSINESS: *(if removed from consent)*

- Introduction of Item Staff
- Report/Presentation Staff
- Questions from Council to Staff Mayor Facilitates
- Public Input, if Appropriate Mayor Facilitates
- Call for Motion Mayor & City Council
- Discussion Mayor & City Council
- Action on Motion Mayor Facilitates

SUMMARY AND ACTION REQUESTED:

It is respectfully requested the City Council authorize the purchase of a new single axle truck with dump box, front plow, wing plow, underbody scraper, salt/brine distribution and all hydraulics/controls. As part of its consent agenda, no formal action is required. If Council wishes to remove this item from Consent, the recommended corresponding motion is as follows:

“Move to authorize the purchase of a new Mack GU812 truck equipped with the Towmaster component package for \$197,661.26.”

BACKGROUND AND STAFF REPORT:

The additional full time employee added to the Parks Department provides an opportunity to increase the snow plowing fleet. This truck has been programmed into the CIP. The addition of this truck would eliminate the need of contracting one of the PW department’s snow plow routes. Full time staff, utilizing City owned equipment, has proven to provide the most expedient, thorough, and proficient means of snow and ice control on our streets.

The Maintenance Advisory Committee held two meetings to discuss the truck and equipment specifications for this purchase. All items discussed were provided from the MN State Cooperative Purchasing Venture. The first meeting established all minimum specifications and components recommended. A second meeting was held to provide firm build out quotes and comparisons of two specific models. The second meeting resulted in the following motion:

M/S/P Gurney/Dege: Recommend to Council, the State Contract CPV purchase, of the specified Mack Truck, equipped with dump box, plows, hydraulic, and component package from Towmaster, at a not to exceed price of \$198,000.00 Motion passed 4-0.

RECOMMENDATION: To authorize the purchase of a new Mack GU812 truck equipped with the Towmaster component package for \$197,661.26. If removed from the Consent Agenda, the recommended motion is as follows:

“Move to authorize the purchase of a new Mack GU812 truck equipped with the Towmaster component package for \$197,661.26.”

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. MAC Minutes October 14, 2013 and September 25, 2013
2. Towmaster Equipment Specs
3. Mack Bid
4. Towmaster Bid