

**WOODBURY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM(S) RE**

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Date: 6/9/2015

Weekly Agenda Date: 6/16/2015

DEPARTMENT HEAD / CITIZEN: Emergency Services, Gary Brown, Director

SUBJECT: **Requesting Authorization to Purchase a Grasshopper 725DT Mower.**

**ACTION REQUIRED:**

Approve Ordinance

Approve Resolution

Approve Motion

Give Direction

Other: Informational

Attachments

**WORDING FOR AGENDA ITEM:** Emergency Services –Gary Brown  
a. Requesting Authorization to Purchase a Mower.

Action

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Requesting Authorization to Purchase a Mower

During the Fiscal Year of 2015 the Woodbury County Board of Supervisors approved a budget of \$70,000.00 to purchase a 2015 Chevrolet Silverado 3500 4x4 Rescue Truck. Complete with lights, a topper for equipment, radios and signage. That truck has been responding to emergencies in the county for just over two months. With this project completed the final cost was \$58,175.70. Which is \$11,824.30 remaining below the initial budget approved for this project?

Emergency Services is requesting that the Woodbury County Board of Supervisors authorize our department to utilize those remaining funds to purchase a 2015 Grasshopper 725 DT mower with a 61" mowing deck.

**BACKGROUND:**

Currently at the Climbing Hill facility there is 9 acres that are maintained throughout the mowing season with a 20 year old Dixon mower with approximately 5000 hours of mowing. This purchase would update the aging equipment, decrease the mowing time and the particular mower being considered would be diesel. This would eliminate the need to leave the facility to purchase and/or transport fuel.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The Emergency Services Department would like to get the authorization to use the remaining funding from the purchase of the 2015 Chevrolet Rescue Truck to make this purchase.

Ace Engine provided the government pricing of \$11,700.00. (List price is \$18,590.00.)

**RECOMMENDATION:**

The mower we are recommending is Grasshopper 725DT mower with 61" mowing deck, 25hp, 3-cylinder, Kubota Max Torque Clean Diesel engine; EPA Tier 4 Final-compliant and T6 hydrostatic transmission. The government pricing on this mower is \$11,700.00.

**ACTION REQUIRED/PROPOSED MOTION:**

The Woodbury County Board of Supervisors would approve the authorization for the Emergency Services Department to purchase the Grasshopper 725DT Diesel Mower with 61" mowing deck for the price of \$11,700.00 from the remaining balance from the purchase of the 2015 Chevrolet Silverado 4x4 Rescue Truck.

*Approved by Board of Supervisors March 3, 2015. Revised May 5, 2015.*