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Preservation, Restoration, Education and Recreation

DATE: August 1, 2016

MEMO TO: Bonnie Thomson Carter, Chair
Planning and Restoration Committee

S. Michael Rummel, Chair
Finance and Administrative Committee

FROM: James L Anderson
Director of Natural Resources

RECOMMENDATION: Recommend approval of a Resolution awarding a Contract for Forestry Mowing 2016 (McLean) at Lakewood Forest Preserve to Applied Ecological Services, Inc., Brodhead, Wisconsin, in the Contract Price of \$32,600.00.

STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS SUPPORTED: Conservation

FINANCIAL DATA: This item was approved as part of the adopted FY2016/2017 Budget in the amount of \$30,000.00. The actual cost of \$32,600.00 will be charged to the Farm Management Fund, (28644000-705100-62801).

BACKGROUND: The woody restoration mowing line item in the Farm Management budget was set up for follow-up mowing of former agricultural fields during restoration to native community types. This project conducts forestry mowing of invasive woody species remaining from 32.1 acres of old fence rows at the McLean Woods and Wetland Nature Preserve at Lakewood Forest Preserve.

The project was advertised on June 3, 2016 and 8 bids were received. A summary of the bids received is listed below:

	<u>TOTAL BID</u>
Applied Ecological Services, Inc., Brodhead, Wisconsin	\$32,600.00
Homer Tree Service, Inc., Lockport, Illinois	\$33,705.00
Conservation Land Stewardship, LLC, Elmhurst, Illinois	\$49,887.20
Tallgrass Restoration, LLC, Schaumburg, Illinois	\$50,810.00
Inland Landscape Group, Wauconda, Illinois	\$56,175.00
Clean Cut Tree Service, Inc., Grayslake, Illinois	\$77,040.00
Integrated Lakes Management, Inc., Waukegan, Illinois	\$76,570.40
ENCAP, Inc., DeKalb, Illinois	\$94,120.37

Staff recommends that Applied Ecological Services, Inc. be awarded the contract as the lowest responsible bidder. Work is anticipated to begin October 1, 2016 and be completed by June 30, 2017.

REVIEW BY OTHERS: Executive Director, Chief Operations Officer, Director of Finance, Corporate Counsel

PRESENTER: James L. Anderson

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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COUNTY OF LAKE)

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT
REGULAR AUGUST MEETING
AUGUST 9, 2016**

MADAM PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

Your **PLANNING AND RESTORATION COMMITTEE** and **FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE** present herewith “A Resolution Awarding a Contract for Forestry Mowing at Lakewood Forest Preserve to Applied Ecological Services, Inc.,” and request its adoption.

PLANNING AND RESTORATION COMMITTEE:

Date: _____ Roll Call Vote: Ayes: _____ Nays: _____
 Voice Vote Majority Ayes; Nays: _____

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

Date: _____ Roll Call Vote: Ayes: _____ Nays: _____
 Voice Vote Majority Ayes; Nays: _____

**LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT
LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

A RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR FORESTRY MOWING AT LAKEWOOD FOREST PRESERVE TO APPLIED ECOLOGICAL SERVICES, INC.

WHEREAS, the Lake County Forest Preserve District (the “District”) has advertised in The News Sun for sealed bids for the purchase of work necessary to complete forestry mowing at the McLean Woods and Wetland Nature Preserve at Lakewood Forest Preserve (the “Work”); and

WHEREAS, all sealed bids were received and opened by the District at its General Offices, 1899 West Winchester Road, Libertyville, Illinois on June 22, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.; and

WHEREAS, bids were received in the following amounts from the following bidders, which include bid alternates one and two:

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WHEREAS, the District’s staff, the Purchasing Manager, the Director of Natural Resources, the Planning and Restoration Committee, and the Finance and Administrative Committee have reviewed the bids and recommend that the Board of Commissioners find Applied Ecological Services, Inc., to be the lowest responsible bidder and award a contract for the Work to Applied Ecological Services, Inc. (the “Contract”); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners hereby finds that Applied Ecological Services, Inc., is the lowest responsible bidder for the Work;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Lake County Forest Preserve District, Lake County, Illinois, **THAT**:

Section 1: Recitals. The recitals set forth above are incorporated as a part of this Resolution by this reference.

Section 2: Award of Contract. The bid submitted by Applied Ecological Services, Inc., in the amount of \$32,600.00 (the “Contract Price”) is hereby accepted and a Contract for the Work is hereby awarded to Applied Ecological Services, Inc.

Section 3: Execution of Contract. The Executive Director of the District is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Contract for the Work in the amount of the Contract Price.

Section 4: Payments. The Treasurer shall make payments under the Contract only pursuant to and in accordance with the Contract terms.

Section 5: Effective Date. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval in the manner provided by law.

PASSED this _____ day of _____, 2016

AYES:

NAYS:

APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2016

Ann B. Maine, President
Lake County Forest Preserve District

ATTEST:

Julie Gragnani, Secretary
Lake County Forest Preserve District

Exhibit No. _____