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Preservation, Restoration, Education and Recreation

DATE: August 29, 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 the Oak Woodland Phase 3 Clearing at Schreiber Lake, Lakewood Forest Preserve to JH Landworks, Wauconda, Illinois, in the Contract Price of \$87,373.00.

STRATEGIC DIRECTION SUPPORTED: Conservation

FINANCIAL DATA: This project was approved as part of the adopted FY 2016/2017 Capital Improvement Plan in the amount of \$250,000.00. This portion of the project was estimated at \$125,000.00. The actual cost of \$87,373.00 will be charged to account 35304100-803200-61005.

BACKGROUND: As part of the continuing habitat restoration of Lakewood Forest Preserve initiated in 2008, this contract is for the removal of invasive woody species and thinning of select native species from a 38-acre portion of the preserve in the SW quadrant, generally referred to as Schreiber Lake. The goal of the project is to improve prescribed controlled burn management and increase light levels to support oak regeneration, as well as the native shrub and ground-layer vegetation. Some native species, including oaks, are to be selectively thinned to reduce canopy coverage to support future oak regeneration and increased biodiversity of the understory. Work will include hand and mechanical cutting, brush disposal via brush pile burning or chipping, selective wick herbicide application to cut stumps, and follow-up herbicide application to resprouts and small stems.

The project was advertised on July 8, 2015 and 10 bids were received. A summary of the bids received is listed below:

	<u>TOTAL BID</u>
JH Landworks, Wauconda, Illinois	\$87,373.00
Homer Tree Service, Inc., Lockport, Illinois	\$95,955.20
Clean Cut Tree Service, Inc., Grayslake, Illinois	\$103,411.10
Trees "R" Us, Inc., Wauconda, Illinois	\$107,536.00
Tallgrass Restoration, LLC, Schaumburg, Illinois	\$120,978.00
Central Tree, LLC, Hoffman Estates, Illinois	\$123,046.00
Integrated Lakes Management, Inc., Waukegan, Illinois	\$131,985.13
McGinty Bros., Inc., Long Grove, Illinois	\$138,307.84
Groundskeeper Landscape Care, LLC, Orland Park, Illinois	\$258,500.00
ENCAP, Inc., DeKalb, Illinois	\$307,594.32

Staff recommends that JH Landworks be awarded the contract as the lowest responsible bidder. Work is anticipated to begin December 1, 2016 and be completed by July 15, 2017.

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

PRESENTER: James L. Anderson

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

**A RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR OAK WOODLAND PHASE 3
CLEARING AT SCHREIBER LAKE, LAKEWOOD FOREST PRESERVE TO JH
LANDWORKS**

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 Oak Woodland Phase 3 Clearing at Schreiber Lake, 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 July 27, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.; and

WHEREAS, bids were received in the following amounts from the following bidders:

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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 JH Landworks to be the lowest responsible bidder and award a contract for the Work to JH Landworks (the "Contract"); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners hereby finds that JH Landworks 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 JH Landworks in the amount of \$87,373.00 (the "Contract Price") is hereby accepted and a Contract for the Work is hereby awarded to JH Landworks.

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

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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. _____