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**DATE:** October 31, 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

**Agenda Item#** 9.4

**RECOMMENDATION:** Recommend approval of a Resolution awarding a Contract for the Phase 2 Oak Woodland Clearing at Kettle Grove Forest Preserve to JH Landworks, Wauconda, Illinois, in the Contract Price of \$59,675.00.

**STRATEGIC DIRECTION SUPPORTED:** Conservation

**FINANCIAL DATA:** This project was approved as part of the adopted FY2016/2017 Budget in the amount of \$220,000.00. This portion of the project was estimated at \$116,000.00. The actual cost of \$59,675.00 will be charged to the Land Development Levy Fund, (20104100-803200-61504). Subsequent phases will include purchasing native seed and invasive species control. Funding for the project is coming from a private donation.

**BACKGROUND:** This project comprises the removal of invasive woody species and thinning of select native species from a 35-acre portion of Kettle Grove Forest Preserve. The goal of the project is to improve the effects of prescribed controlled burn management and to increase light levels to support oak regeneration as well as native shrub and ground-layer vegetation. Some native species, including oaks, will be selectively thinned to reduce canopy coverage to support future oak regeneration and increased biodiversity of the understory. Work will include mechanical and hand cutting, girdling, brush pile burning, selective wick herbicide application to cut stumps and follow-up herbicide application to resprouts and small stems.

The project was advertised on September 9, 2016 and 5 bids were received. A summary of the bids received is listed below:

	<u>TOTAL</u>
JH Landworks, Wauconda, Illinois	\$59,675.00
Homer Tree Service, Inc., Lockport, Illinois	\$84,700.00
Clean Cut Tree Service, Inc., Grayslake, Illinois	\$105,125.00
Tallgrass Restoration, LLC, Schaumburg, Illinois	\$116,270.00
McGinty Bros., Inc., Long Grove, Illinois	\$125,125.00

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

STATE OF ILLINOIS )  
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COUNTY OF LAKE )

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT  
REGULAR NOVEMBER MEETING  
NOVEMBER 8, 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 Phase 2 Oak Woodland Clearing at Kettle Grove Forest Preserve to JH Landworks" and request its approval.

**PLANNING AND RESTORATION COMMITTEE:**

Date: 10-31-2016  Roll Call Vote: Ayes: \_\_\_\_\_ Nays: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Voice Vote Majority Ayes; Nays: 0

**FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE**

Date: 11/7/2016  Roll Call Vote: Ayes: \_\_\_\_\_ Nays: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Voice Vote Majority Ayes; Nays: 0

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

**A RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR PHASE 2 OAK WOODLAND  
CLEARING AT KETTLE GROVE 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 Clearing Phase 2 at Kettle Grove 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 September 23, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.; and

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

	<u><b>TOTAL BID</b></u>
JH Landworks, Wauconda, Illinois	\$59,675.00
Homer Tree Service, Inc., Lockport, Illinois	\$84,700.00
Clean Cut Tree Service, Inc., Grayslake, Illinois	\$105,028.00
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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 \$59,675.00 (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

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Ann B. Maine, President  
Lake County Forest Preserve District

ATTEST:

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Julie Gragnani, Secretary  
Lake County Forest Preserve District

Exhibit No. \_\_\_\_\_