



# Lake County Forest Preserves

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**DATE:** March 1, 2021

**Agenda Item#** 9.5

**TO:** Jessica Vealitzek, Chair  
Operations Committee

**FROM:** Alex Eichman  
Chief of Golf Course Operations

**RECOMMENDATION:** Recommend approval of a resolution awarding a contract to Reinders Inc., in the amount of \$68,382.77 for the purchase of two Toro Groundsmaster 3500-D bank mowers.

**STRATEGIC DIRECTION SUPPORTED:** Organizational Sustainability

**FINANCIAL DATA:** A total of \$90,000.00 was budgeted for FY2021 to purchase these mowers. The total cost of \$68,382.77 and will be charged to account number 80104100-806000.

**BACKGROUND:** In accordance with the District's Equipment Replacement Schedule, District staff determined that two 2001 Toro bank mowers are due for replacement. Reinders, Inc. was the successful competitive bidder for the Toro equipment, through Omnia Partners, pursuant to a request for proposals from the City of Mesa, Arizona. The District is eligible to purchase such equipment, under such proposal, pursuant to the Illinois Governmental Joint Purchasing Act, 30 ILCS 525/1, et seq. The new equipment is expected to be in service for ten years per the District's equipment replacement guidelines.

**REVIEW BY OTHERS:** Chief Operations Officer, Superintendent of Golf Course Operations, Purchasing Manager and Corporate Counsel.

STATE OF ILLINOIS)  
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COUNTY OF LAKE )

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT  
REGULAR MARCH MEETING  
MARCH 9, 2021**

**MISTER PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:**

Your **OPERATIONS COMMITTEE** presents herewith "A Resolution Awarding a Contract to Reinders, Inc., for the Purchase of Two Groundsmaster Mowers" and requests its approval.

**OPERATIONS COMMITTEE:**

Date: March 1, 2021     Roll Call Vote: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0  
 Voice Vote Majority Ayes; Nays: \_\_\_\_\_

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

**A RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO REINDERS, INC., FOR THE  
PURCHASE OF TWO GROUNDSMASTER MOWERS**

**WHEREAS**, the Lake County Forest Preserve District (the "District") desires to purchase two Toro Groundsmaster 3500-D Mowers, or approved equivalents (the "Equipment"); and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Illinois Governmental Joint Purchasing Act, 30 ILCS 525/1, et seq., any governmental unit may purchase personal property, supplies, and services jointly with one or more other governmental units if one of the governmental units has publicly advertised for, and received, competitive, sealed bids or proposals, and has awarded a contract for such personal property, supplies, and services to the lowest responsible bidder or the highest ranking proposer, all in accordance with such Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Mesa, Arizona, through Omnia Partners, has publicly advertised for, and received, competitive proposals for the Equipment, including a proposal by The Toro Company; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Mesa, Arizona, has awarded a contract to The Toro Company as the highest ranking proposer for the Equipment (the "Mesa Contract") and the Mesa Contract provides that other units of local government may also enter into contracts with The Toro Company on the same terms as provided in the Mesa Contract; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the District to award a contract for the Equipment to Reinders, Inc., as the agent of The Toro Company on the same terms as provided in the Mesa Contract (the "Contract");

**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 proposal submitted by The Toro Company, in the amount of \$68,382.77 for the Equipment (the "Contract Price") is hereby accepted and the Contract is hereby awarded to Reinders, Inc., as the agent of The Toro Company.

**Section 3. Execution of Contract.** The Executive Director of the District is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Contract with Reinders, Inc., in the amount of the Contract Price.

**Section 4. Payments.** The District 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 \_\_\_\_\_, 2021

AYES:

NAYS:

APPROVED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021

ATTEST:

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Angelo D. Kyle, President  
Lake County Forest Preserve District

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Julie Gragnani, Secretary  
Lake County Forest Preserve District

Exhibit \_\_\_\_\_