

SLT SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

8:00 A.M. - JULY 31, 2018

MOWER TRACTOR REPLACEMENT

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisors – Mindemann, Ziegler, & Aune

Clerk – Michaelson, Treasurer – Richards

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Lee M. at 8 A.M.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the potential replacement of the current township mower tractor, and the potential purchase of a 1996 John Deere Model 6400, with Du-all front-end loader; via auction by the Otter Tail County Highway Dept..

BACKGROUND:

- Current mower tractor is a 1986 Massey Ferguson, 2 WD, with loader, with 1900+ hrs..
 - While in good running order, the hydraulics do not hold shouldering disc. up, and have tendency to creep up (safety hazard),
 - Repair or overhaul by Brian’s Repair too expensive for age of tractor, and parts are hard to obtain as tractor is considered obsolete,
 - Winter use is hampered by, lack of traction, and no cab for operator protection,
 - Valuation via <Tractorhouse.com> \$13.5K to \$21.5K; only three found in U.S., prices are retail value, discussions with Brian’s Repair & other feel local value will likely be \$6K to \$10K. Would Craig’s List “if” we’re successful I with this OTC auction.

- John Deere replacement tractor is a 1996 Model 6400 with 6,200 hrs. with 4WD, 100+ hp, heated/ac cab, bigger front-end loader and is heavier thereby better suited for our needs.
 - Valuation based on <Tractorhouse.com>, <MachineryPete.com> (sourced by UCB, Dent).
 - 1997 w/5867 hrs. at \$34.5K,
 - 1995 w/6100 hrs. at \$32.5,
 - & 1996 w/4643 hrs. at #39.5K.

- OTC Minimum bid is \$14K.
 - Advised other Twp. to have expressed an interest,
 - Advised it would be wise to enter bid that is \$3-4K over minimum, i.e. \$17K,
 - If more than one bid received, all bidders invited back for live auction,
 - If only one bid received, and it is at minimum – OTC board has option to reject bid and place on public auction,
- Other considerations:
 - Existing JD 7200 brushing tractor is same year – good for maintenance and operator training,
 - JD 6400 will provide improved capacity for snow handling for yard clean-up,
 - JD6400 will provide better traction for winter operations, thereby possibly eliminating need to concrete back yard,
 - JD 6400 should better handle the shouldering disc,
 - Butler Equip. notes – older Ag style tractor/loader run 35K+,
While newer used run \$75K-100, new would be \$100K+,

BOARD ACTION: *Lee M. presented a motion to authorize Supervisor Keith Aune to submit opening bid of \$17,000.00 for a 1996 JD 6400 Vin# L06400V150035, available on Otter Tail County Auction, and if needed to increase bid sequentially up to \$35,000 if needed in live auction; and if successful in obtaining the John Deere, to then sell the Massey Ferguson at the highest offer. Motion was seconded by Tammy Z. and was unanimously approved.*

ADJOURNED: Motion to adjourn by Keith A., 2nd by Tammy Z.; Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 A.M..

NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING: Monday, 8/13/2018 at 7 P.M..