

CAPITAL EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
THURSDAY, August 24th ,2023

Chairman, Justin Downes, called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm. Committee members who were present included, Mike Mastrobattisto, John Fredsall, Bill Buys Jr, and myself, Pat Doyle was unable to attend. The minutes from the previous meeting of June 22nd 2023 were passed out and reviewed. John made a motion to accept with Mike's second, and the motion to accept was unanimous.

The items on the agenda were for the committee to review the quotes to purchase a new 20ton tag trailer, order a new wheeled loader, purchase a new zero turn mower, and update on the current truck that has been ordered.

The Committee reviewed the quotes for the purchase of a new 20-ton tag trailer. With quotes solicited from W.I. Clark, Tyler Equipment, and Cam trailers. There was a discussion on what the pros and cons to each, with the consensus that hydraulic assisted ramps are the best way to go as it increase the deck space because the ramps stay upright instead of laying on the deck and also keeps staff from struggling with manually lifting the ramps, this took the Cam trailer out of the running as it does offer this option. The Felling trailer from Tyler Equipment, and the Eagar Beaver Trailer for W.I. Clark are both with in 1500 dollars of each other and the determining factor was availability and price. W.I. Clark has these trailers as stock inventory, whereas Tyler needs to order the trailer with no expected deliveries for up to 4 months and is 42,000. Bill motioned to purchase the trailer from W.I Clark for \$40,625. Mike seconded, and the motion to accept was unanimous

The Committee reviewed the Quotes for the purchase of a New Wheel loader for next year, as it takes in excess of 10 months to receive. The Bids came from W.I. Clark (John Deere), Tyler Equipment (Volvo), and H.O. Penn (Cat). The Loaders where all quoted based on the current loader we have a 624k with all the same options. We discussed the Pricing as it is the only factor of difference. John Deere is 260,000 with a trade of 110,000, Cat is 260,000 with a trade of 80,000, and Volvo is 250,000 with a Trade of 80,000. The Committee Recommended that we Order the John Deere, however we need to advise W.I. Clark that we do not have the funds appropriated for the purchase until after July of next year. Bill motioned, and John seconded, the motion to accept was unanimous.

The Committee discussed the purchase of a new Zero Turn Mower. There is only one brand that offers a zero turn that meets our requirements. The Hustler super Z 104, folds up and fits in our trailer, while still mowing more area than any other mower. This Mower would replace The Toro as it is now 15yrs old and showing its age. The trade value offered for this mower we felt was less than it was worth, Justin said he will explore selling the toro out right to generate more from it.

This matter was then motioned to be tabled until a better sale/trade value could be reached, by Bill and seconded by Mike. The motion was accepted unanimously.

The final matter that was discussed was Justin and Mike gave an update to the status of the Truck that was ordered back in July. The build is still waiting in Que and no build date has been issued. The hope from the builder is that the Truck will be delivered some time in the spring of 2024.

With nothing else on agenda, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm.

Justin Downes
Chairman, Capital Equipment Committee

