City of Bel Aire, Kansas

## **STAFF REPORT**

DATE:9/3/2024

TO: City Manager

FROM: Marty McGee

RE: Exmark Mower



## **BACKGROUND:**

Public Works maintains our City's interior ditches with four zero turn mowers and two mid-size tractors for the external ditches. Public Works needs to add a new lawnmower to our Parks Department fleet due to one zero turn mower failing and needing the motor replaced.

## **DISCUSSION:**

As our City continues to grow and the demand for services becomes higher each year. We would request the Council approve the purchase of a new zero turn Xmark mower that meets or exceeds the below specifications to keep up with current and future demands. The total cost being requested to spend is no more than \$13,199.00. Maximum Outdoor Equipment is not a Xmark dealer but has a used mower with only twenty hours on it, for the price of \$11,000. This is a good price, but the warranty will only cover the motor for 1 ½ years.

Company	Purchasing Price	Wait Times
Maximum Outdoor Eq.	\$11,000 Used	Available Now- no
		warranty
Kansas Golf and Turf	\$13,199.00	Avabile Now- 5-year
		warranty

## FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

Funding for the 72" Xmark is available from the Equipment Reserve Fund. This Equipment Reserve Fund is used to purchase large equipment. The Equipment Reserve Fund is supported by transfers from our General, Water and Sewer Funds.

<u>POLICY DECISION:</u> Staff is adhering to the purchasing policy in gathering a minimum of three bids when possible. Kansas Golf and Turf is the only local dealer for Xmark.

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>: Staff recommends the City Council authorizes Public Works to purchase a new Xmark mower with the listed specifications for a price not to exceed \$13,199.00