



MEMORANDUM
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
October 16, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

TO: The City of the Village of Douglas City Council

FROM: Lisa Nocerini, City Manager

SUBJECT: West Michigan Wildlife Management Proposal Estimate

After a presentation to the City Council during the Monday, October 2nd, 2023, council meeting, West Michigan Wildlife Management was asked to provide a cost proposal to the city for the ethical harvest of proper age class animals because of the exponential growth of the deer population within the City of the Village of Douglas City limits. The harvesting would be done by West Michigan Wildlife Management with the use of bows and arrows.

Art'om Rank from West Michigan Wildlife Management provided the attached proposed estimate which would cover the harvesting of twenty (20) deer. This estimate includes equipment, labor, licensing fees, donation fees and the delivery of each harvest to programs such as Sportsman Against Hunger. The harvesting would take place on city property and follow all state guidelines. The harvesting would take place during the current 2023 Michigan Deer Hunting Bow Season.

The City Council is being asked to approve both the harvesting services and the proposed funding estimate provided by West Michigan Wildlife Management.

The subject of geese issues as it relates to feces on the marina docks was also discussed. However, that matter will be taken up at a future council meeting.