

Staff Report

Subject: Approval of the Purchase of Kubota M6 w/ Batwing Mower

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Department: Procurement

Meeting Date: 10/20/2026 – Postponed from the 10/06/26 BOC Meeting

Item Description: Consideration to approve the purchase of one Kubota M6 tractor with rotary cutter from Shea Tractor & Equipment Company.

Summary Recommendation: Staff recommends the Board approve the purchase of one Kubota M6 tractor with Land Pride Flex Wing Rotary Cutter from Shea Tractor & Equipment Company utilizing Kubota governmental pricing.

Executive Summary/Background:

Effingham County is working to expand its existing in-house roadside mowing operation to provide additional mowing capacity and reduce reliance on contracted roadside mowing services. The County currently operates an inmate mowing program and has existing equipment, staffing, and supervision in place. The proposed expansion allows the County to phase in additional equipment as operational needs are demonstrated.

As part of this expansion, staff requested pricing for one Kubota M6 tractor equipped with a batwing-style rotary cutter. Shea Tractor & Equipment Company provided a quote for a Kubota M6-131DTC-F-1 Ag Tractor with a Land Pride RC3712 Flex Wing Rotary Cutter for a total of **\$121,900.00**.

The purchase will utilize Kubota's 2026 Governmental Sales Program, which includes the M6 Series and is available to county and local government agencies.

Purchasing the equipment will provide additional capacity for the County's in-house roadside mowing operation as contracted routes are transitioned to County crews.

Alternatives for Commission to Consider:

1. Approve the purchase of one Kubota M6 tractor with Land Pride Flex Wing Rotary Cutter from Shea Tractor & Equipment Company utilizing governmental pricing
2. Do not approve the purchase.

Recommended Alternative: 1

Other Alternatives: 2

Department Review: Procurement, ESCO

Funding Source: Fund FY27

Attachments: Shea Tractor Quote; Kubota 2026 Governmental Sales Program