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TO: Hamburg Township Board

FROM: Tony Randazzo, Director of Technical & Utility Services

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AGENDA ITEM Biosolids Contract

TOPIC:

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Requested Action

- Motion to approve a three-year contract with Bio Tech Agronomics for the removal and land application of biosolids from the Hamburg Township wastewater treatment plant

Background

Our three-year biosolids contract with BioTech Agronomics expired at the end of 2025. We had a contract with them to remove the biosolids from the sludge storage tanks at the wastewater treatment plant and land apply them on suitable farmland. This must be done two to three times per year to maintain compliance and is a routine occurrence for our type of wastewater treatment plant.

Biotech has given us a new three-year contract proposal for the same service as previously provided. The cost will be 5% higher in year one compared to 2025, with 3% increases in year two and three. These increases are similar to our last contract and reasonable for the current economic climate.

Biotech is the only viable provider of this service in the state of Michigan for a plant our size and larger. We tried to reach out to a smaller competitor last month to see if they could handle this job, but we have yet to receive a site visit, let alone a quote, which shows tepid interest on their part. Fortunately, we have a fifteen-year history with BioTech and their service has actually improved in recent years. We feel confident that we can count on them to provide this important service which is very time-sensitive when our storage tanks are near capacity. Therefore, I recommend approving a new three-year agreement with BioTech Agronomics.

Fiscal Considerations

Does the agenda item require the expenditure of funds? Yes No

Are funds budgeted? Yes No

Fiscal year affected: 2025/2026, 2026/2027, 2027/2028

Is a budget amendment required? Yes No

General Ledger numbers affected: 590.537.000.917.600