



# Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request

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Agenda Item #

**Requested Meeting Date:** 8-28-18

**Title of Item:** Equipment Purchase - Used Single Axle Plow Truck

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REGULAR AGENDA <input type="checkbox"/> CONSENT AGENDA <input type="checkbox"/> INFORMATION ONLY	<b>Action Requested:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approve/Deny Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Adopt Resolution (attach draft) <i>*provide copy of hearing notice that was published</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Direction Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Item <input type="checkbox"/> Hold Public Hearing*
<b>Submitted by:</b> John Welle		<b>Department:</b> Highway Department
<b>Presenter (Name and Title):</b> John Welle, Aitkin County Engineer		<b>Estimated Time Needed:</b> 15 minutes
<b>Summary of Issue:</b> <p>The plow truck at the Jacobson Maintenance Facility is a 2000 (model year) Sterling single axle snow plow truck (Unit 127) that was programmed for replacement in 2023 at an approximate cost of \$180,000. The replacement cost includes upgrading this truck to a four-wheel drive model to reduce the amount of time this particular plow truck gets stuck on it's plow route, which includes narrow roads, inadequate turn-arounds and steep hills on the township roads that are plowed under agreements with with the townships.</p> <p>Earlier this year, we were made aware of an opportunity through our Mack sales representative to purchase a used four-wheel drive 2010 Mack single axle plow truck for a cost of \$69,000 plus applicable tax and fees. This truck has 78,000 miles on it, is in very good condition, and has much of the plow equipment we need. However, there would be plow component additions/modifications needed, which would cost \$15,348 based on a quote from Towmaster Truck Equipment. The \$69,000 purchase price of the truck plus the \$15,348 added cost for additional/modified plow equipment totals \$84,348.</p> <p>Recommendation is outlined below:</p>		
<b>Alternatives, Options, Effects on Others/Comments:</b> <p>The alternative is to keep the existing plow truck until 2023, at which time it would be replaced with a new truck at an approximate cost of \$180,000.</p>		
<b>Recommended Action/Motion:</b> <p>(1) purchase of used 2010 Mack truck from Nuss Truck and Equipment for \$69,000 plus tax and fees, (2) purchase of plow component additions/modification from Towmaster Truck Equipment for \$15,348, and (3) authorization to sell Unit 127 through an online auction service (\$20,000 anticipated value)</p>		
<b>Financial Impact:</b> <p>Is there a cost associated with this request?      <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes      <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>What is the total cost, with tax and shipping? \$ 84,348 plus applicable sales tax/fees</p> <p>Is this budgeted?      <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes      <input type="checkbox"/> No      <i>Please Explain:</i></p> <p>\$85,000 is budgeted in 2019 for this purchase.</p>		

Legally binding agreements must have County Attorney approval prior to submission.