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OF WILL COUNTY

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MEMORANDUM

TO: MEMBERS OF THE FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE AND ALL OFFICERS OF THE FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT OF WILL COUNTY

FROM: Ralph Schultz, Chief Operating Officer

DATE: July 24, 2017

SUBJECT: Award of Contract in the Amount of \$206,518.50 to Frank Burla & Sons Builders, Inc. of Channahon, Illinois, for Dog Park Improvements at Hammel Woods

Background

The Forest Preserve District of Will County currently has six dog parks throughout the county that provide fenced areas allowing dogs to run and play without a leash. Each park, except Hammel Woods, includes separate areas for small dogs (under 35 lbs.) and large dogs. To better accommodate the high level of use and to separate the large and small dogs, improvements are needed at the dog park.

The proposed Dog Park Improvements at Hammel Woods include the construction of an additional 2.3 acre small dog play area, shelter and walkways, and will also include improvements to the existing dog park, shelter, fence, and turf. The access will also be improved with a new drinking fountain to serve the DuPage River Trail, Hammel Woods Campground, and the dog park. The “Friends of the Forest Preserve District of Will County” is engaging in a fund raising effort that may offset some of the costs associated to the improvements. In addition, grant funds are being pursued through the PetSafe “Bark your Park” grant program.

On July 21, 2017, the District received three (3) acceptable bids for the Dog Park Improvements at Hammel Woods (results attached). The low bid of \$206,518.50 was submitted by Frank Burla & Sons Builders, Inc. This amount includes the base bid and alternates 3, 4, and 6.

Funding for this project is available in FY2017 Construction and Development budget.

Recommendation

Staff recommends awarding a contract in the amount of \$206,518.50 to Frank Burla & Sons Builders, Inc. of Channahon, Illinois, for Dog Park Improvements at Hammel Woods.

If you have any questions regarding this project, please feel free to contact me.

Attachments:

Attachment - 1 -AUG17 - PTB - Dog Park Improvements at Hammel Woods (PDF)

Attachment 2 - Bid History (DOCX)

Attachment 3 - Bid Tabulation Chart (XLSX)