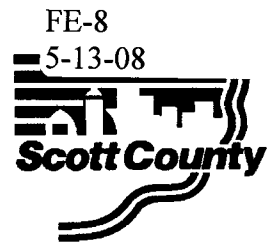


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To: C. Ray Wierson
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From: Dave Donovan, Director
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Subj: Vehicle replacement bids for the Sheriff's Office

As you may recall, the Sheriff's Office participates in the regional Fusion Center. This is a collaboration of several eastern Iowa counties and is funded by federal grant dollars. Their mission is related to homeland security and involves anti-terrorism activities. Per the grant, they are scheduled to replace one Class IV vehicle this year. The current vehicle is a mid-sized SUV that they use for basic transportation as well as towing equipment. Since the grant dollars flow through the county budget, the purchasing division solicited bids per county policy. This vehicle is similar to the Sheriff's Office investigative vehicles, in that they specify a particular type or model of vehicle. In this case, they also asked to purchase an existing vehicle, off the dealer lot, rather than ordering one. The following summarizes the bids:

Class IV SUV - Fusion Center	
Vendor	Total Cost
Reynolds Ford	\$23,432.95
Lindquist Ford	\$23,013.00
Clinton Ford LM	\$22,178.40 (Low Bid)
Dahl Ford	\$24,622.00
River City Ford	\$23,200.00
<i>Low Bid Breakdown:</i>	
<i>Base</i>	<i>28,805.00</i>
<i>+ Options</i>	<i>1,020.00</i>
<i>- Fleet Disc</i>	<i>7,646.60</i>
<i>= Per Unit</i>	<i>22,178.40</i>

I recommend that the Board of Supervisors award the bid for Class IV SUV to the low bidder as outlined above. The bids appear to be within the grant amounts for the current fiscal year. I will be available at the next Committee of the Whole meeting to answer any questions you or the Board may have.

Cc: Vehicle Advisory Committee
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