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Proposed Tractor to replace.

2011 John Deere 5101E with 1722 hours
101 Engine Hp FWA and loader

In the last 12 months we have had 2 broken rear axles as a result of the tractor not being large enough to perform the tasks it was purchased to perform. Each axle rebuild costing roughly \$5500 along with several 3 point arm repairs. Total repairs to the tractor in the last 2 years costing close to \$18,000. The tractor was just not designed for the equipment we operate. My major concern is the safety of the operator during the event of another rear axle break while mowing on a road side bank or around Lake Fisher.

For the type of 3 point equipment we are using I asked for bids in 110 hp to 135 hp full frame tractors to accommodate the heavy load of our 3pt side arm mower. I also asked for the same basic features as our current tractor such as front wheel assist and a loader. A trade in price for the 5101E was to be included along with all discounts the city qualifies for. I spoke with 4 local dealerships to try and keep our options as close to home as possible for warranty parts and service if needed. All dealerships replied in a timely manner and were very helpful.

I have attached bids to the following page for council review.

Thanks,

Adam Bridgman
Mechanic
City of Bloomfield

Bids I received Included:

Belzer Equipment Albia Iowa

T6.155 New Holland

Tractor was used by a Municipality on lease for 400 hrs but still offered as New.

Trade allowance of \$19,000 figured into price.

W/O loader \$68,000

With loader \$75,900

Warranty: 21 month Full

Sinclair Tractor Bloomfield Iowa

6120M John Deere

Trade allowance of \$25,500 figured into price.

W/O loader \$68,500

With loader \$78,850

Warranty: 1 year Full

Greiner Implement Ottumwa Iowa

Maxxum 125 Case IH

Trade allowance of \$29,450 figured into price.

W/O loader \$68,076

With loader \$77,500

Warranty: 2 year Full

McKim Tractor Service Oskaloosa Iowa

MF6713 Massey Ferguson

Trade allowance of \$45,650 figured into price.

With loader \$58,906

Was not Interested in selling this tractor without a loader.

Warranty: 1 year Full 2 year limited 5 year Powertrain