

HABERSHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

SUBJECT: Purchase one (1) used 2019 Freightliner Cascadia Spreader Truck & one (1) used Ford F750 Crew Cab Flatbed Dump Truck.

DATE: March 18, 2024

RECOMMENDATION

POLICY DISCUSSION

BUDGET INFORMATION:

STATUS REPORT

ANNUAL-

OTHER

CAPITAL- \$168,552.40

PRESENTED BY: Jerry Baggett, Public Works Director

COMMISSION ACTION REQUESTED ON: March 18, 2024

PURPOSE:

To request Commission approval to purchase one (1) used 2019 Freightliner Cascadia Spreader Truck & one (1) used Ford F750 Crew Cab Flatbed Dump Truck.

BACKGROUND / HISTORY: In the FY2024 approved budget, the Board of Commissioners approved \$161,000 for the purchase of a Heavy-Duty Gravel Spreading Dump Truck. This piece of equipment is utilized daily to effectively spread materials on roadways during construction and maintenance activities. The Chandler spreader system features an active belt floor that enables the truck to empty its payload without having to raise the truck bed. Utilizing this spreader system improves jobsite safety and vehicle performance.

Road Department staff has identified Truck & Trailer Connection of McDonough as having a low-mile heavy-duty cab & chassis on their lot that can utilize the Chandler spreader system. This cab & chassis will be purchased and delivered to Chandler Equipment of Gainesville to be upfitted with a new 15' Rock & Gravel Spreader system. The completed Heavy-Duty Gravel Spreading Dump Truck will be delivered to the Road Department before the end of the fiscal year. The cab & chassis and spreader system are reserved by these vendors, exclusively for Habersham County.

Additionally, staff has identified a lightly used 2009 Ford F750 Crew Cab Flatbed Dump Truck on the lot at Truck & Trailer Connection. If purchased, this truck would be utilized daily by Road Department Staff to perform roadway maintenance, material delivery, and emergency response. This truck will be purchased through the cost savings found in the development of the aforementioned spreader truck. The Road Department is requesting the use \$7,552.40 of the remaining SPLOST IIV funds earmarked Road Department capital in FY2024 for this purchase.

These trucks will replace trucks 6309 & 13702 that are no longer road worthy and cost prohibitive to repair.

FACTS AND ISSUES:

- a) One (1) 2019 Freightliner Cascadia Cab & Chassis with 253,483 miles will be purchased for \$59,980.00 and one (1) Chandler 15' Rock and Gravel Spreader system will be purchased and installed onto this chassis for \$58,592.40.
 - b) One (1) 2009 Ford F750 Crew Cab Flatbed Dump Truck will be purchased for \$49,980.00.
 - c) This request of \$168,552.40 in SPLOST IIV funds is within FY2024 budget.
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OPTIONS:

- 1) Approve the purchase of one (1) used 2019 Freightliner Cascadia Spreader Truck & one (1) used Ford F750 Crew Cab Flatbed Dump Truck.
- 2) Deny the purchase of one (1) used 2019 Freightliner Cascadia Spreader Truck & one (1) used Ford F750 Crew Cab Flatbed Dump Truck.
- 3) Commission defined alternative.

RECOMMENDED SAMPLE MOTION: Motion to approve the purchase of one (1) used 2019 Freightliner Cascadia Spreader Truck & one (1) Ford F750 Crew Cab Flatbed Dump Truck.

DEPARTMENT:

Prepared by: Jared Beaudoin

Director: _____

**ADMINISTRATIVE
COMMENTS:** _____

_____ **DATE:** _____

County Manager
