



Rural Municipality of Eastern Kings
"Where the sun rises and the tides meet"

Topic Information: This resolution covers the action of an informal bidding process for a capital asset; namely a "2009 Argo 750 Avenger" currently owned by the Town of Souris Fire Department which was purchased in 2015 from Toy Master. It has been well maintained by Darrel Robertson of Souris, parts are available in Canada and it would come with a set of tracks. It has been utilized primarily in training exercises and not heavily used [Hours to date are 0615]. It would not only support our Fly Program, it would provide our Fire Department with an emergency vehicle for off road rescues, first responder services and can be used in all types of weather or situations (aquatic or land). It will be sold "as is" with no warranties.

Date: May 9, 2023

Moved by:

Arthur Baker

Seconded by:

Nathan Paton

Whereas the Rural Municipality of Eastern Kings, has an annual Fly Program which currently has an "all-terrain" vehicle [John Deere Gator XUV560E – replacement cost \$28K + shipping etc.] to help facilitate the programs need to drive through & clear brush on make shift paths to pertinent treatment areas transporting the product, and that this vehicle is now at a point where the cost of maintenance is excessive;

And whereas the approved RMEK Fiscal Capital Budget for 2023-24 allows for the purchase of a "replacement vehicle" for the program and the municipality considers this purchase as an eligible expense;

And whereas the CAO has supplied Council with prior "Requests for Quotations" from John Deere, Toymaster Sales, Minitrucks.net and found them wanting;

And whereas the initial tender process for the 2009 Argo 750 Avenger was officially closed April 19, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. and the Town of Souris is still currently open to bids for the vehicle;

Be it resolved that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Eastern Kings, puts a bid forward in the amount of \$ 7,000.00 + Hst 1050.00 = \$ 8,050.00 for the consideration of the Town of Souris Fire Department; noting that if the bid is accepted, payment must be made by the date specified by the seller and RMEK will be responsible for the pickup of the vehicle.

Signed:

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Larry Fitzpatrick, Mayor

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Sonya Martin, Chief Administrative Officer