

# Resolution of the Township of Bernards

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# Resolution #2019-0237

Award of Bid for 2019-2022

Tree Removal/Tree Trimming to Harmony Tree Care L.L.C., 230 Mt. Harmony Road, Bernardsville, NJ 07924

**WHEREAS,** The Township received bids on Wednesday, April 17, 2019 at 10:30 A.M. for 2019-2022 Tree Removal/Tree Trimming Services.

The Bid Summary follows:

# **CREW, EQUIPMENT AND TOOLS**

VENDOR	Harmony Tree	Millenium Tree	Moosewood Tree	Rich's Tree
	Care L.L.C.	Service	Service	Service
HOURLY RATE	\$165.00	\$375.00	\$166.00	\$180.00
HALF DAY RATE	\$700.00	\$1600.00	\$695.00	\$720.00
DAILY RATE	\$1300.00	\$2700.00	\$1340.00	\$1440.00
HOURLY EMERGENCY RATE	\$190.00	\$550.00	\$195.00	\$225.00
HALF DAY EMERGENCY RATE	\$800.00	\$2,400.00	\$850.00	\$900.00
DAILY EMERGENCY RATE	\$1,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$1900.00	\$1800.00

# 100 FOOT CRANE (10 TON MINIMUM) WITH OPERATOR

HOURLY RATE	\$150.00	\$225.00	\$150.00	\$170.00
HALF DAY RATE	\$600.00	\$1,100.00	\$700.00	\$680.00
DAILY RATE	\$1,200.00	\$1,800.00	\$1200.00	\$1360.00
HOURLY EMERGENCY RATE	\$150.00	\$350.00	\$175.00	\$175.00
HALF DAY EMERGENCY RATE	\$600.00	\$1,800.00	\$800.00	\$700.00
DAILY EMERGENCY RATE	\$1,200.00	\$2,425.00	\$1400.00	\$1400.00

# **STUMP GRINDING SERVICES**

GRINDING OF STUMP (PER	\$4.00	\$20.00	\$5.00	\$4.00
DIAMETER INCH)				

# DISPOSAL COSTS

DISPOSAL OF WOOD (ON A	\$9.00	\$45.00	\$10.00	\$20.00
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WHEREAS, it is the combined recommendation of the Director of Public Works, Administrator and Purchasing Agent to award a contract to the low bidder, Harmony Tree Care L.L.C., 230 Mt. Harmony Road, Bernardsville, NJ 07924 and

**WHEREAS,** the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available in the budget; the line item appropriations to be charged is 9-01-26-290-234, 0-01-26-290-234, 1-01-26-290-234 and 2-01-26-290-234 (pending Township Committee budget year approval); and

**WHEREAS**, this contract has been awarded to Harmony Tree Care L.L.C., through a "fair and open process" pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, et seq."; and

**WHEREAS**, as provided by Local Public Contract Law 40A:11-15, this contract is for one (1) year with an option for renewal for two (2) additional one year (1) year periods providing that funds are appropriated in the respective operating budgets for the expenditure and performance is satisfactory.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that in accordance with the bid specifications, the contract between Bernards Township ("Owner") and Harmony Tree Care L.L.C., ("Contractor") shall contain:

- 1. The Contractor shall commence the work not later than 10 calendar days after the owner has given the Notice to Proceed Date to the Contractor in writing.
- 2. This contract shall, for all-purpose be deemed a New Jersey Contract and any provision of this contract shall be governed and interpreted with the Laws of the State of New Jersey.
- 3. Any modification to this contract shall be in writing and signed by both parties and upon obtaining said signatures shall immediately become part of the contract.
- 4. The cost of this contract is for a not to exceed the total bid amount of as specified unless negotiated in advance of service delivery, and the Township Committee approves an amendment revising that figure.
- 5. Billing must be rendered within 30 days of service delivery.
- 6. As required by law, the parties to this contract agree to incorporate into this contract the mandatory affirmative action language promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to P.L. 1975, c.127, which is attached to resolution as Exhibit A.
- 7. The Township may terminate this contract if contractor does not full its obligations as set forth in the Bid Specification, upon thirty days written notice via certified mail.
- 8. The work contemplated under the Contract shall begin May 15, 2019 through May 15, 2020.
- 9. To the extent the terms of the resolution are inconsistent with the contract, the terms of the contract shall govern.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, Somerset County, New Jersey that the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue a contract and purchase order to: Harmony Tree Care L.L.C., 230 Mt. Harmony Road, Bernardsville, NJ 07924.

I agree to the terms as stated in this Resolution and by signing this document, I am committed to follow all terms of this award.

David Mcllwain, Owner

Agenda and Date Voted: May 14, 2019

## CFO CERTIFICATION

I, Sean McCarthy, Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Bernards, hereby certify that adequate funds are available for the above referenced contract for Tree Service. Monies are available in: is 9-01-26-290-234, 0-01-26-290-234, 1-01-26-290-234 and 2-01-26-290-234 (pending Township Committee budget year approval).

Date: 04/30/19

Sean McCarthy, Chief Financial Officer

### **Explanatory Statement**

Four vendors submitted bids for the Tree Removal/Tree Trimming Services contract. After analyzing bid results to services most often used in the previous tree contract, Harmony Tree Care was the lowest bidder in the Crew, Equipment and Tools category for hourly rate, daily rate and daily emergency rate which is the bulk of the tree services utilized from an outside tree contractor. It is my recommendation that a contract be awarded to Harmony Tree Care. They were the lowest responsible bidder that meets all of our specifications.

Date 4/30/19

Jorge L. Casacuberta, Director of Public Works

## PURCHASING CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that I have prepared this resolution and reviewed it for accuracy.

Francis J. Decibus, QPA, Purchasing Agent

Date: May 6, 2019

Agenda Date and Vote: 05/14/2019

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify this is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Bernards Township Committee on 05/14/2019.

Rhonda Pisano, Municipal Clerk