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**Halifax Regional Council
November 25, 2008**

TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:

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Dan English, Chief Administrative Officer

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Wayne Anstey, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer - Operations

DATE: November 3, 2008

SUBJECT: Award - Tender No. 08-185, Dale Bennet Memorial Ballfield Lighting

ORIGIN

Approved 2008/2009 Capital Budget

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Council award Tender No. 08-185 - Dale Bennet Memorial Ballfield Lighting to Ainsworth Inc. for a Total Tender Price of \$133,343.05 (net HST included) with funding from Capital Project CPX01008 Ball Field Upgrades, as outlined in the Budget Implications section of this report.

BACKGROUND

The Musquodoboit Harbour Baseball Association has been lobbying for several years for the installation of a lighting system at Dale Bennet Memorial Ballfield in Musquodoboit Harbour. Earlier this year, they were successful in securing \$100,000.00 in funding for the project from the Nova Scotia Government. With this funding in place HRM allocated \$50,000.00 from the 08/09 HRM Capital Budget for completion of the project.

The completion of this project will enhance the recreational opportunities for the community by providing a venue for large scale tournaments, in particular those of a provincial nature.

DISCUSSION

The Tender was advertised in the Chronicle Herald newspaper on October 15, 2008 and October 18, 2008. A mandatory pre-bid site meeting was held on October 21, 2008 and was attended by three contractors. A total of two tender submissions were received.

<i>Company</i>	<i>Lump Sum Price (Before Net HST)</i>	<i>Total Cost (Net HST Included)</i>
Ainsworth Inc.	\$128,922.29	\$133,343.05
X L Electric Ltd.	\$139,700.00	\$144,490.32

Based on the lowest tender price, it is recommended that Tender 08-185 be awarded to Ainsworth Inc.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Based on the lowest tendered price of \$133,343.05 (net HST included), funding is available from Capital Account No. CPX01008 - Ball Field Upgrades, Reservation 1426.9. The budget availability has been confirmed by Financial Services.

Budget Summary:	Capital Account No. CPX01008 - Ball Field Upgrades, res 1426.9
	Cumulative Unspent Budget \$ 141,336.00
	Less: Tender No. 08-185 <u>\$ 133,343.05</u>
	Balance \$ 7,992.95

* This project was estimated in the Approved 2008/09 Capital Budget at \$150,000.00

The balance of funds will be used for power pole installation and power hookup as well as electrical engineering consultant fees.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES / BUSINESS PLAN

This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating, Capital and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

ALTERNATIVES

Council may decide not to approve this tender, this is not recommended by staff.

ATTACHMENTS

None


A copy of this report can be obtained online at <http://www.halifax.ca/council/agendasc/agenda.html> then choose the appropriate meeting date, or by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 490-4210, or Fax 490-4208.

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