

## **Board of Education: Crete-Monee School District 201-U**

Committee of the Whole Meeting – March 10, 2026

Discussion on the bid results for Landscaping and Lawn Care Maintenance for the district.

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### **The Issue:**

The existing landscaping and lawn care contract expired this year, fall of 2025. The district is in need of securing landscaping and lawn care services for all properties owned and operated by Crete-Monee School District 201U. The bid opening is scheduled for March 10th at 1:30 PM. The results will be provided at the COTW meeting. The bid specifies a two year contract through the 2027 landscaping and lawn care season. An alternate or supplemental bid for the 2028 landscaping and lawn care season can be included.

### **Justification:**

The scope of the new is similar to the previous contract excluding the areas that now house turf fields. In addition, the district is seeking a credit for areas that are currently under construction at CMMS and areas of unestablished growth near the CMHS sportsplex. The scope includes the following:

- Cutting of all grass areas
- Trimming of all grass areas that are bordered by sidewalks
- Weeding of plant beds on a regular basis
- Fertilization according to the standards established by the Illinois School Code
- Core Aeration
- Installation of mulch on all landscaping beds prior to the school year and prior to graduation.
- Mowing of grass on athletic fields

### **Board Policy and Past Practices**

It is the board policy to purchase/contract in accordance with the state bid law.

### **Strategic Plan:**

Goal 5: Provide our students with equitable, safe, and well maintained facilities.

Goal #6, Prioritize our financial resources to meet our short and long term goals.

### **Community Impact:**

Maintained and safe buildings/grounds for our stakeholders. There was a non-mandatory pre-bid meeting held on March 3rd.

### **Supporting Data:**

This Bid was advertised in the Sun-Times newspaper and placed on the District Website. Bid results will be provided at the COTW meeting on March 10th due the timing of the opening.

- Exempt Sections Map

**Financial Impact:**

To be determined.

**Recommendation:**

The Administration recommends conducting a discussion on the bid results. Action will be taken at the March 16th board meeting.