



**County of Prince Edward
Board of Supervisors
Agenda Summary**

Meeting Date: June 9, 2009
Item No.: 14
Department: Economic Development/IDA
Staff Contact: Sharon Carney, Director Economic Development & Tourism
Issue: Industrial Park Land Clearing - Grubbing behind LOWES Home Center

Summary:

In April 2006 the Board of Supervisors transferred 37.75 acres to the IDA to develop as commercial sites. In June, 2007 a 13 acre parcel of land was sold to LOWES Home Center and a 3 acre regional storm water management pond was built. Since then the remaining 22 acres +/- has sat unimproved while land development has been focused in other areas of the Business Park. Due to favorable construction market conditions, grubbing and grading costs are down, making this an excellent time to clear the remaining commercial acres behind the LOWES Home Center at the Business Park.

The estimated cost for grubbing and clearing of the 22 acres is \$49,500. Debris would be mulched and used as part of a storm water management control system, along with an over seeding of grasses. This would greatly improve the appearance of the lots and the Park, while bringing the IDA project into compliance with soil and erosion requirements. Clearing of the sites will also help in the showing of the sites to potential commercial/retail businesses.

The estimate was provided by Harold Collins Clearing and Grading who is currently working at the Business part on the four industrial sites. If approved, this scope of work could simply be added as a change order (9.41% of exiting contract) to the existing contract of \$526,516 and could begin immediately. In order to proceed with the clearing the IDA is requesting \$49,500 from the County of Prince Edward to fund the proposed change order.

Attachments: Site map of proposed clearing area

Recommendation: Approve the funding of \$49,500 to the IDA to be used for the grubbing and clearing of 22 +/- acres at the Prince Edward Business Park behind the LOWES Home Center.

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