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If you are interested in quoting for this job, please email the Parish Clerk: beckingtonparishcouncil@outlook.com. With your quote and the works that you propose to undertake. The contract will not necessarily be awarded to the lowest bidder, weight will be given to experience and the work to be undertaken.

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