

Special Meeting  
**October 19, , 2021**

7:14 PM St 1

*Immediately following the 2022 Annual Budget Hearing*

Commissioners:	Stephen DiLorenzo	(PRESENT)
	Christian Erichsen	(PRESENT)
	John Fraino	(PRESENT)
	Alan Barone	(PRESENT)
Secretary/Treasurer	James Passikoff	(PRESENT)
District Clerk	Denise A. Holzberger	(PRESENT)
Chief	Peter Miller	(PRESENT)

Chairman DiLorenzo welcomed Ken Fink of Premier Apparatus and Larry Daniels of E-One. He stated they have come here to meet with us and answer some of our questions regarding the new trucks.

There were questions regarding the release date. Larry Daniels explained that delays that are not anyone's fault that occur due to engineering questions and availability of resources etc. The release date is 320 days after the October . Ken fink stated that liquidated damages come into play November 29, 2021, and that will be paid. ( \$7700-\$7800 per month) We are looking at March 2021 for delivery. Covid has caused resources not to be available: axles, dash and cab harnesses are back ordered causing the trucks to be taken offline and be placed back online and working on other things for the truck while we wait.

Larry Daniels stated that we realize that communication was an issue, and we are improving that . We have productions meetings every morning to check status on the building of the trucks. We are down 75 people, and we are investigating more deeply to improve getting information to our customers. We are holding hiring events; we have been down 8-9% in our labor and this decreases our production. E-One is working on improving these areas.

Commissioner Alan Barone thanked Larry for his honesty. He explained he was not happy about purchasing more apparatus; but you came forward with addressing the penalty and explaining the October pre-build starts the clock for the 320 days . Larry stated that he felt compelled to come in person and is willing to put these items in writing. He will be in Ocala on Friday and Monday and will update customers . We have many brands and components are not available from our suppliers and we are updated quarterly; next update is November 1, 2021. Ken Fink stated that E-One will not give up quality in exchange for a faster delivery.

Commissioner John Fraino stated that Commissioner Alan Barone said it very well; lack of communication was frustrating. Commissioner Chris Erichsen stated that he concurs with Commissioners Barone and Fraino's comments.

Ken Finke and Larry Daniels stated they appreciate our patronage.

Chairman DiLorenzo stated that there was significant reduction in price for the two pumpers, where would we be if we chose to go forward with purchasing another truck. Would there be significant saving if we buy early 2022. A 21-year-old truck would be replaced with the same design as the others.

Chief Miller stated there would be price increases in the future; what would be our options?

Ken Finke stated that January and February 2022 IDEX (major supplier for pumps, plumbing etc.) will have a 9% increase. To hold the price of the truck a letter of commitment would be needed. Savings would be about 8% plus any additional increases that could happen. UPF (water tank supplier) is up 27%. The challenge we are facing is that the increases are happening to items we have already had on order. Traditionally we do proposals 60-90 days, now we are doing proposal for 30 days due to the increases.

The letter of intent would be contingent on a permissive referendum. Ken Fink explained that typical increase was 3-4% annually prior to the supply chain issues.

Chairman DiLorenzo stated that specifications are sent to Sourcewell for review and then get certification for price. 1 out of 15 go out to bid.

Ken Finke stated as a dealer he goes on good faith as we are good customers and he also understands how the Board of Fire Commissioners works.

#### **Executive Session.**

**MOTION:** At 7:45 Pm, Commissioner Alan Barone moved to go to executive session to discuss a negotiation issue, seconded by Commissioner John Fraino.

VOTE: 4 YES 0 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent

Motion carried.

#### **Return to Regular Session**

**MOTION:** Commissioner John Fraino moved to return to the regular session at 8:29 PM, seconded by Commissioner Chris Erichsen.

VOTE: 4 YES 0 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent

Motion carried.

Chairman DiLorenzo stated that after much discussion, at this time we do not an answer regarding going Forward with a letter of intent but will have an answer either way by the end of the month regarding purchasing a new truck.

Sale of 2 Pumpers- no responses as yet.

It was noted that Rifton has a truck up for auction.

Chairman DiLorenzo stated that the Town of Lloyd Board meets tomorrow night, and we (commissioners) should attend the meeting.

### **Correspondence-**

Fire alarm Inspection Report- received for St 2 10/6/2021

### **Room Request:**

October 29, 2021, Friday 7PM to 9:30 PM UCVFPA committee meeting approx. 5 people  
Meeting room requested by Mike DePaola.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Chris Erichsen moved to approve the use of the meeting room for the UCVFPA Committee meeting, seconded by Commissioner John Fraino.

VOTE: 4 YES 0 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent

Motion carried.

November 5, 2021, 7 PM set up for UCVFPA Seminar on November 6, 2021. Requested by Mike DePaola

**MOTION:** Commissioner Chris Erichsen moved to approve the request for set up on November 5, 2021, for the UCVFPA Seminar on November 6, 2021, seconded by Commissioner John Fraino.

VOTE: 4 YES 0 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent

Motion carried.

### **Authorization of Payment of Bills-**

\$80 for 8 CPR cards for CPR class held on 10/16/2021 ( MHRH of Westchester Medical Center)

**MOTION:** Commissioner John Fraino moved to authorize payment of \$80 for CPR cards , seconded by Commissioner Chris Erichsen.

VOTE: 4 YES 0 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent

Motion carried.

**Adjournment:**

**MOTION:** There being no further business, Commissioner Alan Barone move to adjourn at 9 PM,  
Seconded by Commissioner Chris Erichsen.

VOTE: 4 YES 0 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise A. Holzberger, District Clerk

APPROVED 11/10/2021