

A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Oxford was held at 7:30 pm on January 12, 2016 at the Village Hall - 20 LaFayette Park, Oxford, NY 13830.

Present were: Trustee Dale Leach, Trustee Joe Spence, Trustee John Todaro, Fire Chief Hans Franklin, Mike Cobb, Kevin Bartle, Greg Ross, Jim Dean, Mindy Natoli, Gene Rood, Matt White of The Evening Sun and Clerk-Treasurer Shelly Marks. Via Skype were Mayor Terry Stark and Trustee John O'Connor.

Trustee Joe Spence called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was given.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Chief Franklin reported that they received two bids on the Aerial Platform & Pumper Fire Apparatus Bid – Vander Molen Fire Apparatus from DeWitt, NY and Brindlee Mountain Fire Apparatus from Union Grove, AL. Vander Molen offered a truck that is currently in the factory getting refurbished and it's a 1995 truck. Other negatives are that there is an 85 day delivery date and it is offered as an "as is" truck. This is still a 20 year old vehicle. Their price was \$384,650.00 plus another \$3,800.00 would have to be added to the purchase price.

Brindlee's bid was \$388,000.00 and meets 90% of what the Fire Department is asking for. Chief Franklin states that they will never get 100%. Mike Cobb and Chief Franklin have personally looked at this vehicle. There is a 60 day delivery time and a one year warranty. There are many new parts and there is a ladder and pump certification and it has been DOT inspected. 90% of the specs they required have been met. The members of the fire department recommend the Brindlee Mountain truck.

Trustee Todaro asked about the possibility of having issues with the truck duplicating what issues they have now. Chief Franklin said he doesn't see any "issues" coming about in the near future and he also has talked with the fire department that did own this vehicle.

Trustee Spence is comfortable with what the OFD did regarding these discussions. He does ask about specifics on tank capacity- Truck 261 remains the first vehicle out the door as it holds 1,000 gallons of water and weighs more. All requirements are being met for ISO. Chief Franklin is amazed and very pleased with this truck. The vehicle being "put out" is a 1980 OshKosh. The Fire Department will borrow \$60,000.00 and \$328,000.00 will come out of capital. The \$60,000 BAN note will be for less than five (5) years. Trustee Leach seconded by Trustee Todaro made a motion to accept the Brindlee Mountain bid with the \$60,000 loan and \$328,000 out of the OFD Reserve fund. All in favor, carried, Unanimous.

Mindy Natoli got billing rates from New Berlin and will email this info to Mayor Stark. They will have a meeting at the end of February to go over everything regarding the EMS.

SCOTT STREET CULVERT:

Mayor Stark sent an email to our attorney, James Gregory regarding the issues with the Burrell's Excavating bid on the Scott Street Culvert Project. Mr. Gregory thinks we are okay. The bid isn't exactly what we asked for but we can go down that path and accept the bid as presented. Gene was concerned about the plan drawings that need to be revised. Documents may need to be tweaked to meet what Burrell's discussed. Mr. Gregory didn't see a conflict of interest but suggested we leave this to our engineer to see what he thinks. Part of the negotiations are between us and the vendor. We can have Burrell's pay the cost of new engineering plans that are stamped. We can also have our engineer do this or we can split the cost.

Gene says that in the documents that were sent out to bid, we asked for documents to be from Professional Engineers. Those documents show the design perimeters but he still wants the

design and he really can't do this. He can do the review though. If they want to pour the concrete, they will need something in writing from a professional engineer stating that the specifications have met our needs. We will need to see the design calculations for the steel in the box. The Village would at least need a statement from Burrell's saying they will meet our specifications for the project.

If the Board, in general and the Engineer don't feel comfortable with how Burrell's responds, we can reject all bids and start over. Gene doesn't feel it is necessary but we can do that (per James Gregory).

Trustee Todaro is asking if Gene Rood will be the Engineer and look over what Burrell's gives us to be sure it meets what we are asking for. Burrell's Engineer has to stamp the specs that they meet our requests. They have to prove that it will work because this is not what we are asking for. We needed the work to comply with the requirements on page 7 of 12.

Trustee Leach mentioned that we are saving \$40,000 and has no objection to Burrell's submitted quote as long as it complies with intended outcome of construction specifications and meets all the State's construction codes and requirements. He just wants the project completed and to know things are safe.

The price is \$500 less for poured in place as no crane has to drop it in and move the culvert. Gene was told that boxes are about \$40,000 total.

Trustees Spence, Leach, Todaro and O'Connor are all comfortable with Burrell's bid on the Box Culvert. Mayor Stark wants something from Gene stating that what Burrell's wants to do does meet with compliance on page 7.

Trustee Spence made a motion seconded by Trustee Leach to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 p.m.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, January 26, 2016.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shelly W. Marks
Clerk/Treasurer