

Police and Fire Committee Meeting

Minutes

January 13th, 2020

6:00pm (or directly following the Park and Rec Committee Meeting)

Present: Kali Godfrey, Tami Christensen, Janet Sergent

Absent: None

Visitors:

Mayor Norby, Clerk/Treasurer Redfield, PWD Hintz, Chief DiFonzo, City Attorney Kalil, BI/FM Kale Rasmussen, Caysi Johnson, Jeff Mead, George Biebl, Amy Efta, Larry Christensen, Brent Littlen, Rocky Norby

Sidney Pierce Fire Truck: BI/FM Rasmussen informed the Police and Fire Committee that the Sidney Pierce Pumper truck failed its annual pump test on 11-12-19. He stated this pumper truck is a 1998 Pierce, so is approximately 22 years old, and that the normal life expectancy of these are 20 years. He stated there are 3 options moving forward:

1. Pay approximately \$17,337.64 to the company who does the pressure tests to bring it into compliance. This will not fix the other issues or bring the entire truck into compliance.
2. Take the current Pierce Pumper truck to Pierce to have it completely refurbished for approximately \$124,000. He stated this will bring the fire truck into complete compliance with all NFPA standards and will expand the trucks life expectancy another 10 to 12 years.
3. Purchase a completely new pumper truck for approximately \$520,000.

BI/FM Rasmussen stated he discussed the option with Fire Chief Christensen, and they are recommending moving forward with option #2, the refurbishing of the existing truck. He stated it will take between 9 months to a year for this to be complete, so the City would need to ask the County to use their new pumper truck on City Calls. Fire Chief Christensen stated he asked Deputy Fire Chief Smith, also PWD for the County, and he stated he didn't think there would be an issue. City Clerk/Treasurer Chamberlin stated there is approximately \$450,000 in the Fire Truck CIP account, with at least \$100,000 being transferred in. She stated that if the Council chooses to move forward with the refurbishing, with the life expectancies of the refurbished pumper and the ladder truck, and the transferring of \$100,000 per year into the CIP, the funds should be available to replace them with cash when needed. Alderwoman Godfrey asked if there was more than one quote, and BI/FM Rasmussen stated there is not since they are the ones who built it and have the plans and specs.

Motion was made to recommend to the City Council the refurbishing of the pumper truck with Pierce by Alderwoman Godfrey, and Alderwoman Christensen seconded the motion. With no further discussion, all present voted aye.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:48 pm.

Jessica Chamberlin, City Clerk

Janet Sergent, Committee Chair