

NMFR Joint Finance & Personnel Committee Meeting Minutes

October 25, 2022 – 5:30 p.m.

City of Menasha – Room #132

Present: Ald. Eisenach, Borchardt, Sevenich, Stevenson and Grade

Excused: Ald. Boyette

Also Present: Chief Kloehn, DC Krueger, Director Sassman and MA Ellis

Public: No members of the public were present.

Ald. Borchardt called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Minutes: The committee reviewed the meeting minutes from September 27, 2022. **MSC Stevenson/Sevenich to approve the September 27, 2022 meeting minutes and place on file, all voting aye.**

September Activity Report: The Committee reviewed the September 2022 activity report. Ald. Sevenich asked how our response would be if there is a large incident out of our area. Chief Kloehn reviewed how the MABAS system works within our County and others. **MSC Stevenson/Grade to approve the September 2022 activity reports and place on file, all voting aye.**

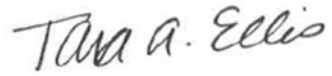
Contract for 2024 Impel from Pierce Manufacturing: The Committee reviewed the information for the request to order a 2024 engine from Pierce Manufacturing. DC Krueger explained Engine 32 is set to be replaced in 2024 and is in the current CIP budget. However, due to the lead times we are no longer able to order a vehicle and receive it in the same year. They are now at 36 months build. This vehicle would be the same as the one we have on order with replacing Engine 31. The goal is to make all our engines the same. This new truck would be a smaller engine than the one we are replacing. The lead time starts once the order is placed. The request is to place this order before the price increase happens on 11/1/22 as this secures the price. Ald. Grade asked about the price. The price of the truck is \$804,000 but the price is \$875,000 as we will have to purchase new extrication tools and other things that we cannot transfer to the new vehicle. Ald. Stevenson asked why it's not in the Pierce quote. DC Krueger explained that it's cheaper to buy the tools directly from the vendor and we can mount them versus the vendor. Ald. Stevenson asked if we sought out other manufacturers for quotes. DC Krueger said he reached out to Seagrave and they have a quicker build time but their price increase will be 20%. He felt it wasn't worth the \$50,000 gamble to seek out other prices if in the end we are going to stay with Pierce. The Committee felt comfortable with this.

Ald. Borchardt asked when we would receive this new vehicle and when is the next vehicle scheduled for replacement. DC Krueger thought it would be about a 3 year break before the next one is ordered. Ald. Borchardt asked that we look at other vendors to see if we can get better track records on things for maintenance. DC Krueger said part of our issue is we waited too long to replace our current vehicles. Our current back-up vehicle is a 1997. We are going to keep the old Engine to have two vehicles in reserve. He did note that if there is one company in the fire industry that revolves around service it is Pierce. They have a good model on their service. Chief Kloehn said DC Krueger is also working with Red Power Diesel to help us spec the trucks to help us pick better things for the truck to help us save repairs in the future as they know what lasts longer. Director Sassman said this is built into our 2024 budget. DC Krueger said Director Easker said if we are not expending the money we could enter into a contract and not have it go to both councils. The Committee felt it was ok to enter into this agreement as the budget funds are in the budget and it would save us 7%. Ald. Stevenson asked if we can talk to Pierce to see if there are any incentives for saving money if pay early on things. **MSC Sevenich/Eisenach to approve the purchase and enter into a contract of one 2024 Impel from Pierce Manufacturing and related equipment for a cost not to exceed \$875,000 prior to 11-1-22 to avoid an expected price increase of 7% (\$50,000)**

and to authorize Finance Directors to review financing options and approve the most advantageous financial option for both Cities, all voting aye.

MSC Stevenson/Sevenich to adjourn at 5:55 p.m., all voting aye.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tara A. Ellis".

Tara Ellis
Management Assistant