



Minutes  
Committee No. 1  
Revenues, Disbursements, Water and Wastewater  
May 13, 2013

**Committee #1 – Revenues, Disbursements, Water and Wastewater met on Monday, May 13, 2013 at 8:30 AM in the City Hall, Council Chambers, 30 W. Central Street, Chippewa Falls, WI.**

Committee/Council Members present: Jane Lardahl, George Adrian, Amy Mason, Bill Hicks, Mayor Hoffman.

Others Present: Finance Manager/Treasurer Lynne Bauer, City Clerk Bridget Givens, City Planner Jayson Smith, Police Chief Wendy Stelter, City Inspector Paul Lasiewicz, Fire Dept. Personnel – Mike Hepfler, Lee Douglas, John Bowe, Nate Martell.

The meeting was called to order at: 8:30 AM.

**1. Discuss request for funds for civil action against Jeffrey Radle, 134 W. Cedar Street, to remove or replace the dilapidated retaining wall so the sidewalk can be rebuilt.**

**Possible recommendations to the Council.**

City Inspector Paul Lasiewicz updated the Committee on the situation at 134 W. Cedar Street. He has declared the situation a public nuisance and issued an order to repair the dilapidated retaining wall. If the owner does not follow through and make the repairs, the City Attorney is prepared to take legal action. There are funds in the budget to cover the filing fees to begin legal action but if the City is forced to repair the retaining wall the expense could be as high as \$6,000. The Committee agreed there is a safety issue and that this matter needs to be pursued.

**Motion by Adrian/Lardahl** to recommend the Council provide the funds necessary to pursue civil action and conduct repairs at 134 W. Cedar Street with funding to come from the general fund reserves. **All present voted aye, motion carried.**

**2. Review and discuss bids for Fire Department ambulance and fire truck. Possible recommendations to the Council.**

Lee Douglas and Nate Martell presented bids for the ambulance and fire truck. Two bids were received for the ambulance: 1) Foster Coach Proposal - \$177,342.35 and 2) PL Custom Emergency Vehicles - \$181,057.10. Three bids were received for the fire truck: 1) Pierce - \$900,000; 2) Darley - \$961,144; and E-One Aerial - \$888,875. The Pierce truck is manufactured in Appleton, Wisconsin and includes a PUC pump made at Darley in Chippewa Falls. The Darley bid includes a Spartan Chassis which would be made in Michigan with the aerial platform made by RK in Nebraska. The body and pump would be made and installed locally at Darley. The E-One Aerial truck would be manufactured in Florida and does not include any additional equipment. The Fire Department is recommending the City accept the Foster Coach Proposal for the ambulance in the amount of \$177,342.35 and the Pierce Proposal for the platform truck in the amount of \$900,000. Mr. Douglas indicated the ambulance price could be affected if the order is not placed today (May 13) as there may not

be a 2013 Chassis available if the order is not placed until mid-June. The additional cost of a 2014 Chassis would be \$2,500. The Committee agreed the ambulance could be ordered that day. There is also a pre-pay option available for the fire truck but the Committee was concerned about ordering the truck before the bond/borrowing process was complete. The Committee asked Mr. Martell to inquire whether or not the pre-pay option would be available through July 1, 2013.

**Motion by Adrian/Mason** to recommend the Council accept the Foster Coach Ambulance proposal and move forward with the purchase of the ambulance. **All present voted aye, motion carried.**

**Motion by Mason/Adrian** to recommend the Council accept the Pierce platform truck proposal contingent on the pre-pay option being available until July 1, 2013. **All present voted aye, motion carried.**

**3. Discuss funding for Fire Department replacement of protective clothing. Possible recommendations to the Council.**

This item will be placed on a future agenda as Chief Larson was unable to attend today's meeting.

**4. Update on funding and costs for joint dispatch merger. Possible recommendations to the Council.**

Finance Manager Bauer and Chief Stelter updated the Committee on the status of the dispatch merger along with associated costs. The initial estimate was \$225,000 to purchase the records system compatible with the County dispatch center and to make the necessary changes to the police department. At this time, the costs are close to the \$225,000 but there will be additional IT costs and fire department costs. Fire Department costs are estimated to be \$25,000 and will include new laptops and the necessary licensing and software to merge with the joint dispatch center.

**No action taken.**

**5. Discuss interest rates for TIF advances. Possible recommendations to the Council.**

Finance Manager Bauer discussed interest rates for TIF advances from the general fund. In completing the 2012 audit, the interest rate for advances was still listed as 5%. It was noted that rate was established many years ago and given current rates was not realistic. Bauer is recommending the rate be set at 1% over the LGIP rate which fluctuates with the economy and therefore generates a more reasonable and realistic amount. In addition, the committee agreed that all advances to any of the TIFs should generate interest charges where in the past only two of the TIFs had been charged. These changes will be effective for 2012 and future years.

**Motion by Adrian/Mason** to recommend the Council approve the interest rate of 1% over the LGIP rate for any general fund advances to the TIFs effective for 2012 and future years contingent on interest identified as an allowable expense under the TIF plans. **All present voted aye, motion carried.**

**6. Adjournment.**

**Motion by Mason/Adrian** to adjourn at 9:41 AM. **All present voted aye, motion carried.**

**Minutes submitted by,  
Lynne Bauer, Finance Manager/Treasurer**

# Ambulance Price Estimates

## Foster Coach Proposal:

-2013 Ford F-450 chassis, Horton 623 ambulance	\$169,712.00
-Trade-in of 1999 Road Rescue ambulance	\$ -6,225.00
-Motorola radio	\$ 2,161.00
- Loose equipment list	\$ 14,949.10
- Pre-Pay Discount	<u>\$ -3,254.75</u>
Total=	\$177,342.35

## PL Custom Emergency Vehicles:

-2013 Ford F-450 chassis, PL 170" Classic ambulance	\$169,911.00
-No trade-in accepted	\$ -0
-Multiple unit purchase discount	\$ -6,000.00
-Motorola Radio	\$ 2161.00
-Loose equipment list	\$ 14,949.10
-Pre-Pay Discount	\$ -2,964.00
- Required changes to initial specification list	<u>\$ 3,000.00</u>
	\$181,057.10

# Platform truck Price Estimates

## Pierce Proposal :

### **Pierce 100' Steel Platform on a Dash CF chassis and a PUC pump**

MSRP	\$998,132.20
<u>Loose equipment package</u>	<u>\$ 38,363.60</u>
Total of truck & Equipment	\$1,036,495.80
<u>Pierce Discount</u>	<u>(\$95,977.80)</u>
New total	\$940,518.00
<u>Prepay interest discount</u>	<u>(\$40,518.00) based on a 5.50% apr.</u>
Total with discounts	\$900,000.00

## Darley Proposal:

### **1500 GPM VISION 104 Aerial Platform Apparatus**

- Loose equipment list	\$ 38,261.00
- Pre-Pay Discount	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
- Grand Total=	\$961,144.00

## E-One Aerial proposal

### E-One HP 100 Stock unit

Loose equipment	N/A
Grand Total =	\$888,875.00

### Manufacture information:

**Pierce:** Made 100% in Appleton WI, PUC Pump made local here in Chippewa Falls at Darley.

**Darley:** Chassis is made by Spartan in Charlotte Michigan. The aerial platform is made by RK in Fremont Nebraska. The body and pump is made and installed locally at Darley.

**E-One:** Is manufactured in Ocala Florida

Reasons our committee feels Pierce is our best option:

Pierce was 61,144.00 less money than a Darley truck and below/at the 900,000.00 bond amount.

Pierce builds thousands of platform trucks and has been for many years allowing for a top notch product.

Because pierce builds many trucks each year from the ground up in one facility they can offer many options and custom modifications to the truck as we build it.

The time of order to delivery date is much shorter when ordering a truck through pierce which will reduce maintenance expenses for the current 1979 snorkel.

Pierce is made 100% in Wisconsin and offers a pump built locally here in Chippewa Falls at Darley.

Other Options:

We can try to get a lower price from Darley if we wish to give up several needs which we have deemed necessary through talking with our committee over the last year.

If we get a smaller Chassis from Spartan we can save around 50,000 dollars on a Darley platform however this makes the truck narrow and unable to have a 500 HP motor like the other trucks offer. It has a max of a 450 HP motor which is acceptable to get the truck where it needs to go however this truck weighs over 80,000 tons and we feel the extra 50 HP will serve out community well as we climb up either the east or west hill.

On top of a smaller chassis we need to also cut our independent front suspension out to save another roughly 15 thousand dollars to get below the 900,000 dollar bond amount however this will give a very rough riding truck which can become a safety issue with large trucks.

Our committee doesn't feel that it's necessary to cut out these very important key features of a new platform which will serve out community for the next 25 or 30 years when we have the option to have them placed on a pierce truck with a Darley made pump at a cost that is able to meet our bond amount.