

Amberley Village Council – Streets, Public Utilities, and Sewer Committee
Minutes of January 4, 2016

In Attendance: R. Warren (Chair), E. Hattenbach (Member), R. Bardach (Member), P. Conway, T. Muething, S. Lahrmer, T. Chesney, and W. Doering

The meeting was brought to order.

The minutes from the Nov 4, 2015 meeting were distributed. Mr. Bardach moved to approve the minutes. Mr. Hattenbach seconded and the minutes were approved unanimously.

The remaining agenda item pertained to the replacement of maintenance trucks/snow plows. The reader is referred to the attached Draft Resolution 2016-XX dated January 4, 2016 for details. Mr. Chesney (Maintenance Supervisor) presented a detailed presentation of the need for the purchase of the three trucks and performed due diligence on the most appropriate and fiscally responsible replacements.

(1) Replacement of 2001 Dodge Extended Pick-up Truck: This truck was scheduled to be replaced ~5 years ago but remained in service due to Village financial hardship. This truck has experienced considerable deterioration with sliding seats, unusable doors and lightbars (for visibility). The expected life of the truck is 10 years and with care it has been extended to 15 years (and over 100,000 miles). The replacement truck is a 2016 GMC 3500 Crew Cab. The cost, including the truck base price and additional Village customization (light bar, siren, and lettering) is expected to be \$46,191. The cost will be offset with a trade in of the old truck of \$7600, to bring the final cost to \$38, 591. The truck will be purchased through State bid.

(2) Replacement of 2006 Ford ¾ Crew Pick Up Truck: While this truck has only ~56,000 miles it has been very unreliable. After production and based on engine problem reports, it was viewed as 'lemon'. We've had engine repair issues coupled with deterioration of suspension, electronics, and mechanical parts. Just this past year the Village spent almost \$5000 in repairs. The replacement truck will be same as the above (2016 GMC 3500). The cost of \$47,976 (increased cost associated with different light bar) will be offset with a trade-in value of the old truck of \$16,600, to bring the final cost to \$31,376.

Mr. Chesney commented that this truck has received good reviews for reliability. These trucks can be fitted with the brine spreader enabling them to go into tight fitting areas.

Both trucks will be fitted with snow plows. While these plows could have been purchased with the trucks via the State bid, Mr. Chesney learned that purchasing them from Kaffenbarger Equipment would be less costly to the Village (\$9000 vs. \$11,400).

(3) Replacement of 2001 Ford Expedition Truck: This was a formerly used as a police vehicle that was transferred to the Maintenance Dept about 5 years ago and

primarily used by the Maintenance Dept Supervisor. Most recent estimates for the repair of this vehicle (~\$2300), which was taken out of service, was greater than its value by up to 2-fold. The cost of a new 2016 GMC 1500 Double Cab pick-up truck with customization similar to that described above will be \$32,858. It will be purchased through State bid. Mr. Chesney noted that the purchase of a smaller vehicle would have been more costly. This vehicle will also provide Maintenance greater flexibility addressing issues that come up while surveying the Village on a daily basis.

The cost of the three trucks will be ~\$102,800 which is about \$7,000 below the 2016 Capital Budget.

Mr. Hattenbach moved to approve a resolution to approve the purchase of the 3 vehicles and snow plows. Mr. Bardach seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

There be no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Chair: _____
Ray Warren