

**ENDWELL FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING
July 28, 2021**

Members:

Don Battaglini
Mark Storm
Michael Hamzik
Kenneth Del Bianco

Others present:

Erika Pereira, Administrative Assistant
Tony Fiacco, District Treasurer
Tom Palazzo, Fire Chief
Robert Congdon

Commissioner Storm called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.

There was a long discussion on the pros and cons of leasing the apparatus and purchasing the apparatus outright.

Motion by Commissioner Hamzik, second by Commissioner Del Bianco to purchase a new Sutphen with a down payment of \$850,000.00 and remaining balance due at the time of delivery from our Capital Reserve fund. All aye; motion carried. The purchase agreement has a stipulation pending passing of NY State Fire District Referendum within 45 days of contract signing.

Commissioner Del Bianco had questions about the consortium purchasing processes. Commissioner Storm contacted Nick Catalino, Sales Manager and Product Engineer with Vander Molen Fire Apparatus Sales and Service via cell phone. Nick Catalino went over the consortium purchasing process.

Consortium purchasing for the fire department is to receive the best-quality apparatus, specified and designed exactly as the customer needs, for the best possible price that's available without using the standard public and low-bid response process.

Tony Fiacco, District Treasurer, asked about the New York State requirement about the down payment. Nick Catalino stated that the Fire District can put down 75 percent of the payment.

Commissioner Hamzik would like an email sent out to the members letting them know that Utility 31-11 has been surplus and is no longer to be used as a fire vehicle as it will be put up for auction.

Motion by Hamzik, second by Commissioner Del Bianco to move \$55,000.00 from our prior year fund into the capital reserve fund. All aye; motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Storm, second by Commissioner Hamzik to adjourn the meeting at 2:30 pm. All aye; motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Mark Storm
MS/EP