

City of Tipton Board of Public Works and Safety meeting held on December 28, 2020, at Tipton City Hall, Council Chambers, Tipton.

Members: Mayor Dolezal, Councilmen Kring and Rippy and Clerk-Treasurer Clark.

Others: Ken Ehman, Jeff Stout, Sharon Teuscher, Joe Bitner, Bob Edinger and Vicky Boyd with Tipton Tribune.

Mayor Dolezal opened the December 28, 2020, BOW meeting.

Minutes: Councilman Kring made a motion to approve December 14, 2020, BOW minutes, seconded by Councilman Rippy, with all in favor.

Old Business:

Fire Bids for a Top Mount Pumper: Mayor Dolezal thanked Chief Bitner for allowing the Board to review the bids in detail and for his recommendation. Chief Bitner reported the Spencer bid is his recommendation and gave a list of reasons to go with Spencer. This is the most responsible bid because of the detail to the information. Mayor Dolezal requested the list to be included with the minutes. Councilman Kring asked what full term meant. Chief Bitner reported it is a 10-year paint warranty, it is covered 100 percent not prorated. Councilman Kring made a motion to accept the bid from Spencer Manufacturing for a Top Mount Pumper in the amount of \$608,325, seconded by Councilman Rippy, with all in favor.

New Business:

Open Bids for 2021 Police Vehicles: Clerk-Treasurer Clark reported we received two bids. Chief Stout reported the bid package was picked up from three vendors, Ford, Dan Young and Chrysler. Mayor Dolezal reported Tipton Ford send a check for \$16,328.50 with a letter of credit. The bid for quote 1 from Tipton Ford was \$32,339 each for five explorers for a total of \$161,695. For quote 2 for four explorers and F150 truck the total was for \$163,285. Councilman Kring asked why they send a check. Mayor Dolezal reported it is in lieu of a bid bond. It is what the standard bids call for. Mayor Dolezal reported Dan Young Form 96 was signed and provided. The quote 1 from Dan Young for five Tahoes the total was \$187,784.50 for 5 SUV's at \$33,756.90 each. It was stated the total should be \$168,784.50. For quote 2, the one for truck vehicle at a price of \$35,710.92. There is a letter of credit but don't see a check. The details on what the vehicles are, a Silverado and Tahoes. Do we need to clarify the math on the total. Councilman Kring reported if they didn't submit it right then like Toyne on the Firetruck it is incomplete and is not good. Chief Stout reported to make it easier, the Explorer is an all-wheel drive, and the Tahoe is a two-wheel drive. He also reported our current Ford vehicles we have no issues with. Chief Stout reported his preference is Tipton Ford and they are the lower bidder. He also reported he would like the four Explorers and the one Ford F150. Councilman Kring reported the difference is less than \$3,000 and that is a small amount. The question was asked what the truck would be used for. Chief Stout stated certain things and it would be unmarked. Councilman Rippy reported plus it is another four-wheel drive vehicle. Councilman Kring made a motion to accept the bid from Tipton Ford on the 2021 Police

Vehicles in the amount of \$163,285, seconded by Councilman Rippy, with all in favor. There was some discussion on the light kits. Chief Stout reported he would get quotes from American Eagle in Noblesville, a vendor in Greentown and a vendor in Russiaville. Clerk-Treasurer Clark reported we will look into the financing. It is okay to order the vehicles.

Ambulance Quotes: Chief Bitner reported we received a quote from Kodiak Emergency Vehicle in the amount of \$126,830, one from Medix in the amount of \$141,485 and another one from Crossroads Ambulance in the amount of \$153,103. There was a brief discussion of trade in of the old ambulance or to sell it out right. After the discussion Chief Bitner recommended to go with Kodiak quote. Mayor Dolezal reported we received three quotes, and this was the lowest quote and the one you like the best. Chief Bitner reported he had the money in his 2021 budget for this purchase, so there will be no financing. He also reported the ambulance we borrowed from Windfall we took back, and Cicero Twp. is allowing us to use their backup ambulance. Chief Bitner reported there is a piece of equipment, the power load system that he is purchasing as well, that is already in the 2021 ambulance budget. He also reported he accounted for the graphics package and it is already in the price. Councilman Kring made a motion to accept the quote from Kodiak for the 2019 Ford E450 in the amount of \$126,830, seconded by Councilman Rippy, with all in favor.

Fire: Chief Bitner asked if there are any questions on the monthly report. With no questions, he reported there will be interviews on Wednesday, December 30th at 10 a.m. Chief Bitner reported Firefighter, Derek Idlewine is finished with TFD and has taken his talents to Kokomo. He also reported the Commissioners extended the Ambulance service with Seals for another year. They will continue to work out of TFD for another year. Chief Bitner reported the COVID testing site was a free grant through Tipton County. They will be testing all the way through June. They had 110 people in a four-hour span. The numbers have been increasing. There was a brief discussion on the number of people being tested and the timing of receiving the results. Mayor Dolezal reported it is a quick process and are short swabs.

Police: Chief Stout recommended Officer Saltzman be promoted from Probationary to Full-time status. Councilman Kring made a motion to accept Chief Stout's recommendation on promotion Officer Saltzman to Full-time officer, seconded by Councilman Rippy with all in favor. Chief Stout reported the application deadline was December 18th and there were 10 applicants, eight male and two female, with none being from Tipton County. He also reported one was from Panama City, who was originally from Noblesville and another applicant was from Memphis, TN and went to Delta High School and was from Anderson. The question was asked if the Certifications transfer, or do you have to be recertified. Chief Stout reported they have to go to the Academy and get signed off on Criminal Law, Traffic Law, Firearms and CPR. You would lose them for about two weeks but not the whole 15-week period. He also reported he is working on agility times and dates and would like to get it done as soon as possible. Chief Stout reported one

applicant was missing some documents, will see if she shows up for the testing. He also reported eight of the ten didn't have experience. Chief Stout reported Reserve Officer Zack Huff went full-time to the Sheriff's Dept. and Schuler was let go from the Reserve Program. He also reported there are some good applicants, maybe we can look at them for the Reserve Program. Chief Stout reported the City doesn't have an Alarm Ordinance. We have been called 23 times on a false alarm and six times this month. He asked the Board if they wanted to create one. Chief Stout reported the County's policy we can write under because we are in Tipton County. He also reported on repeat offenders there is a fine/fee. Capt. Henderson was going to email me the County Ordinance, so I'm not sure how stiff the penalty is. It was reported to write the tickets under the County Ordinance. Mayor Dolezal stated he was glad to hear there are 10 applicants.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Dolezal reported he was going to mention they extended the Ambulance Contract for one-year. He also mentioned the COVID Center is a success. Mayor Dolezal asked if the Ambulance Board is an Advisory Board. Chief Bitner stated he officially didn't know; it still has representatives from each Department. Mayor Dolezal reported he had discussion with current Commissioners and future Commissioners regarding this.

Adjournment: With no further business, Councilman Kring called for adjournment, seconded by Councilman Rippey, with all in favor.

Submitted by Tamera Clark, Clerk-Treasurer.



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President, Board of Public Works and Safety

Reasons to Accept Spencer Manufacturing Bid

- They followed the directions for the order set forth in the bid specifications
- They included all requested items in bid package
- The apparatus is to be constructed of the requested material
- The thickness of body material was listed
- The apparatus body is to be welded together as opposed to bolted together
- A drawing of the apparatus was included with the bid package
- The overall weight of the truck was listed with the bid package
- The weight capacity of slide out trays was met
- Spencer included a full term paint warranty as requested
- Spencer included two (2) years of labor on the pump warranty
- Spencer has a lifetime warranty on the body and substructure of the apparatus
- Familiar with the salesman (He designed and sold us Ladder 10)
- Zero negative reviews from references