

Village of Roberts
Town of Warren
Special Meeting
Wednesday, July 17, 2024

The Village of Roberts and Town of Warren joint meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Kapaun.

The meeting was properly noticed.

Village of Roberts:

Present: Katy Kapaun, Jeff Vogt, Peter Tharp, Shawn Dakovich, Brian Tremblay, Tim Johnson

Absent: Mary Shemon

Town of Warren:

Present: Dave Cave, Geno Hanson, Grace Hoyer, Gerald Mueller

Absent: Debbie Delander

Guest: Mike Rutan, Glenn Hall, Tiff Foulks, Jason Foulks, Gabby Lubich,

Discussion and Approval of Fire Truck Bid to Replace 1998 Engine.

Rutan discussed how we got to this point. The group put in over 300 hours collectively. Rutan asked other departments what they like and didn't like. Past experience is they are a little higher than most. They prefer the Rosenbauer truck. Great customer service out of Wyoming, MN. Johnson asked about a rep from the consortium coming out for a meeting regarding pricing and they are willing to meet during the day. Most of the departments are going to this. Basically, government pricing that has been tried and tested. Minimal markup. With HDAC they must stay within a certain pricing range. Current bid that we have is good thru the end of July. Kapaun asked if it is approved this evening, who signs the contract (Association). Kapaun asked when we must come up with money and it appears that there is no money down or due until the chassis is complete. Johnson asked about the deduction and asked if this amount was for each municipality and Rutan thinks that this is a total that will be split. L9 motor is still available as they still have two of them left which means we would save \$50,000 and then another change order would be issued for the full payment. There are still things that need to be finalized with the truck, but Rutan thinks that this will amount to almost \$120,000 to \$135,000 reduction. We would take delivery of the truck in 22 months from today. Final payment would be due at this time. Mueller asked if the \$1.2 would go up and no, it can only go down. \$50,000 will come off for the motor and then \$21,000 will come off for the chassis. Will need \$563,000 for the cost of the chassis. Hoyer asked if we looked for grants and Rutan said we would not qualify because our equipment is too new, and we are too rich of a County. This would be like a FEMA grant. Mostly equipment and PPE. Dakovich asked that Rutan explain why we didn't go with a used truck. Most of the good stuff is being taken right away and the rest is not worth the money. Rutan said we are not backed into a corner for replacement, but we are at a time when we can do it. The air packs are next to be replaced and that is in 2031. We are 200 days into the year and at 194 calls for fire and rescue. Tremblay asked what the used truck would be worth and Rutan is not sure at this point but thinks it would be higher than what we think. The old truck will be sold. Cave said it is a lot like his business trucks and they do not buy used

because of this. Hoyer would like to know what else is coming. The brush truck that is a 1994 does not need to be replaced because it is a cheaper cost. Will never burn out the motors, they are going to rust out before the motor goes bad. Township will not be able to afford another big item for years to come. Mueller asked if there is anything that can be taken from the old truck to the new truck and they are taking what they can for the new truck. Only thing new is hose and ladders. Hanson supports the Association and knows the need but the whole Township budget isn't \$1,000,000. They are debt free and would like to remain that way. Dakovich had Rutan explain the ISO rating. Homeowners insurance is rated off this rating. Residents will pay more in homeowners' insurance if this rating is lower. No issues with the current truck but we have outgrown the truck. Hanson asked about the future firehall space. Only thing at Association level is conversation. Rutan is working on a Capital Outlay Worksheet for the fire equipment. Body has a lifetime warranty so that it can be moved to a new chassis. The chassis is what is going to cause issues and there is a 20-year warranty on it. The new truck will fit in this garage. Did ask a member to bring to Joint Comp Plan and working on facility needs and planning. Johnson asked the maximum timeframe for the current bid is July 30th. Rutan said that the sale proceeds will go back to the capital fund. Tharp asked about the 194 calls how does this break down between the village and town and Rutan thinks this is even. Hanson asked about the buy early and save big. Johnson asked where we are going to pull this money from, and this will be discussed during our finance meetings.

Motion to approve the new fire truck bid for Rosenbauer by Tremblay, seconded by Dakovich. Motion carried for both municipalities.

Motion to adjourn at 7:30 by Dakovich, seconded by Johnson. Motion carried.

Megan Dull
Village Clerk/Treasurer