

To: Administration & Finance Executive Committee

From: Tyler Moffitt, Fire Chief/CEMC

Date: February 13, 2019

Subject: Tender 18-AF-15 for: New Pumper Fire Truck and 11-2 2008 Pumper Fire Truck

Background

The Town of Fort Frances advertised a tender for a Triple Combination Custom Pumper Fire Truck. Tenders closed on Tuesday, January 29, 2019 at 2:00 PM CST with one tenderer submitting a bid before the deadline.

However, this bid was incomplete without a trade-in value or amount for our 11-1 1996 Pumper Fire Truck.

Meanwhile, I need to bring your attention to an ongoing issue with our 11-2 Pumper Fire Truck, which is a 2008 Spartan Furion, and has a Custom Cab and Chassis.

11-2 Pumper Fire Truck is a Triple Combination Pumper Fire Truck, which has 49,000 km on it as of February 13, 2019, and is equipped with a 5000 LPM Waterous Pump, 3753 Litre Water Tank, and a 28-foot Boomer Water Tower equipped with lights and hydraulic connections for extrication tools. **Note:** We only utilize this Boomer Water Tower for the lights.

As well, this Pumper Fire Truck was found and purchased over the internet without going through the proper tender process.

Please refer to the following attachment called **New Fire Truck May 2008**; it is a report from the fire chief at that time. However, it was the previous fire chief before me who was the Chief of Operations and Training at that time; he spearheaded the campaign to acquire the 2008 Spartan Furion Demo-Unit.

This Demo-Unit was manufactured in the United States.

The 28-foot Boomer Water Tower attached to this demo-unit was a new design and included recent technology. Apparently, the town has the first Boomer Water Tower ever manufactured in the world.

The overall intent of this type of Custom Cab and Chassis Pumper Fire Truck was to compete with the Commercial Cab and Chassis Pumper Fire Trucks.

The Furion Cab and Chassis was first introduced to the market in 2007 and production of this type of Cab and Chassis was halted in 2012.

Please refer to the attachment regarding the Administration & Finance Executive Committee report on **11-2 Pumper Fire Truck** to provide the background on the extensive maintenance

of this Pumper Fire Truck Demo-Unit.

Meanwhile, as the result of this incomplete tender, as well as further mechanical issues with 11-2 Pumper Fire Truck ... I would like to re-tender for a Triple Combination Custom Pumper Fire Truck with the mandatory requirement that all tenderers bid submissions will include a trade-in value of either our 11-1 1995 Pumper Fire Truck or our 11-2 2008 Pumper Fire Truck.

Note: Our Mayor and Council will decide on what Pumper Fire Truck to request a trade-in value on in the re-tender. However, my recommendation is to trade in our 11-2 2008 Pumper Fire Truck.

Recommendation

That the Administration & Finance Executive Committee approves this report and directs Council to bring forward the resolution to approve with proceeding to re-tender for a Triple Combination Custom Pumper Fire Truck, with the mandatory requirement that all tenderers bid submissions will include a trade-in value on our 11-2 2008 Pumper Fire Truck.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tyler Moffitt".

Tyler Moffitt,
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