

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
DeWITT FIRE DISTRICT
DeWITT, NEW YORK

December 08, 2020

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Mr. Bronstein at 6:03PM.

Pledge: DFD President Steinberg

Minutes: A motion was made by Mr. Karoglanian and seconded by Ms. Scicchitano to approve the minutes of the November 24th Regular Meeting. All Commissioners present voting in the affirmative. Motion approved.

Reports of Officer's: Chief Green reported that the Town of Mason, TN picked up E-1 on 12/08/2020. A wire payment of \$30,000 was received prior to the release of the apparatus. The canvas process is underway. They received 13 responses for interest in the positions. Interviews will be held on December 16th and 17th. The 18th is reserved for overflow. Will hold second interviews on December 21st and 22nd.

Treasurer's Report: Ms. Fusco reported that YTD financials were sent out prior to the meeting.

Vouchers: Ms. Fusco presented the Abstract of Claims Report. (Addendum "A"). Motion made by Mr. Schultz, seconded by Mr. Karoglanian, to approve the General Fund Pre-paid transfer and ACH's amounting in total to \$94,027.52. Also, pending checks (33126 – 33147) and ACH's amounting in total to \$26,170.39. All Commissioners present voting in the affirmative. Motion approved.

Bank Reconciliation: Motion made by Mr. Vander Molen, seconded by Mr. Schultz, to approve the bank reconciliations for November 2020. All Commissioners present voting in the affirmative. Motion approved.

Correspondence:

- None

Response Statistics:

	DATE	GENERAL	E.M.S.	TOTAL
Year-To-Date Response Stats:	11/30/2020	802	1054	1856
	11/30/2019	658	1131	1789

Training Requests: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Apparatus and Equipment: Commissioner Bronstein reported that they would have a recommendation on how to proceed with E-8 at the 12/22/2020 meeting.

Buildings and Grounds: Commissioner Karoglanian stated that he spoke with Lan-Co. They are short staffed at the moment but will get us on the schedule as soon as possible.

Finance: No report

Long-Range Planning: No report.

Personnel/Staffing: No report.

Legal: No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

COVID-19: The Chief shared that the District had an employee test positive. He has been placed on mandatory quarantine. The contact tracers do not believe that any department personnel were exposed to him. The Chief and LT O'Connor are continuing to look into the possibility of becoming a testing site and developing a plan.

NEW BUSINESS:

NYSMEC Renewal:

A motion was made by Mr. Bronstein, seconded by Mr. Vander Molen, to approve the following Resolutions.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN COOPERATIVE ENERGY PURCHASING SERVICE (NYSMEC) FOR NATURAL GAS

WHEREAS, Article 5-G of the New York State General Municipal Law authorizes municipal corporations to enter into cooperative agreements for the performance or exercise of services, functions, powers or activities on a cooperative or contract basis among themselves or one for the other, and

WHEREAS, Section 119-n of the General Municipal Law defines the term "municipal corporation" for the purposes of Article 5-G as a county outside the city of New York, a city, a town, a village, a board of cooperative educational services, a fire district or a school district; and

WHEREAS, DeWitt Fire District (hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Participant") is a "municipal corporation" as defined above; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes for this municipal corporation to become or remain a Participant pursuant to the Municipal Cooperation Agreement For Energy Purchasing

Services dated the 1st day of May, 2005 (the "Agreement"), among municipal corporations collectively identified as the New York School and Municipal Energy Consortium ("NYSMEC") upon the terms of the Agreement and further wishes to authorize participation as an energy consumer as specified below.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Board hereby determines that it is in the interests of the DeWitt Fire District to participate in the NYSMEC, and authorizes and directs Kerrie Fusco, Treasurer, to sign the Agreement/and or the Billing Schedule and Agreement for natural gas on its behalf; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Board authorizes the Administrative Participant (as defined in the Agreement) to prepare, advertise, disseminate and open bids pursuant to the General Municipal Law and to award, execute and deliver binding contracts on behalf of this Board for the purchase of natural gas delivered to the city gate of the local utility distribution company for the Participant's facility or facilities, on a firm basis, for this Participant to the lowest responsible bidder as is determined by the Administrative Participant at a price for such commodity natural gas not to exceed \$0.583 cents per therm for a term of at least one year and no more than three years commencing May 1, 2021, and other terms and conditions, all as may be determined by the Administrative Participant, or to reject any or all such bids; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Participant agrees to advertise said bid as may be directed by the Administrative Participant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the officers and employees of this Participant are authorized to execute such other confirming agreements, certificates and other documents and take such other actions as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the intent of this resolution.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN
COOPERATIVE ENERGY PURCHASING SERVICE
(NYSMEC) FOR ELECTRICITY

WHEREAS, Article 5-G of the New York State General Municipal Law authorizes municipal corporations to enter into cooperative agreements for the performance or exercise of services, functions, powers or activities on a cooperative or contract basis among themselves or one for the other, and

WHEREAS, Section 119-n of the General Municipal Law defines the term "municipal corporation" for the purposes of Article 5-G as a county outside the city of New York, a city, a town, a village, a board of cooperative educational services, a fire district or a school district; and

WHEREAS, DeWitt Fire District (hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Participant") is a "municipal corporation" as defined above; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes for this municipal corporation to become or remain a Participant pursuant to the Municipal Cooperation Agreement For Energy Purchasing Services dated the 1st day of May 2005 (the "Agreement"), among municipal corporations collectively identified as the New York School and Municipal Energy Consortium ("NYSMEC") upon the terms of the Agreement and further wishes to authorize participation as an energy consumer as specified below.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Board hereby determines that it is in the interests of the DeWitt Fire District to participate in the NYSMEC, and authorizes and directs Kerrie Fusco, Treasurer, to sign the Agreement/and or the Billing Schedule and Agreement for electricity on its behalf; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Board authorizes the Administrative Participant (as defined in the Agreement) to prepare, advertise, disseminate and open bids pursuant to the General Municipal Law and to award, execute and deliver binding contracts on behalf of this Board for the purchase of electricity delivered to the delivery point of the local utility distribution company for the Participant's facility or facilities, on a firm basis, for this Participant to the lowest responsible bidder as is determined by the Administrative Participant at a price for such commodity electricity not to exceed \$0.0736 cents per kWh for a term of at least one year and no more than three years commencing May 1,2021, and other terms and conditions, all as may be determined by the Administrative Participant, or to reject any or all such bids; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Participant agrees to advertise said bid as may be directed by the Administrative Participant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the officers and employees of this Participant are authorized to execute such other confirming agreements, certificates and other documents and take such other actions as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the intent of this resolution.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The Board members were polled on the foregoing Resolution with the following results:

Mr. Bronstein	voting aye
Mr. Karoglanian	voting aye
Mr. Schultz	voting aye
Ms. Scicchitano	voting aye
Mr. Vander Molen	voting aye.

The Resolution was hereby declared duly adopted.

Vacation Time: The Chief stated that due to the current staffing levels, the schedule may not allow for employees to take their remaining vacation time in 2020. He will evaluate already approved vacation requests and the unused vacation balance for each

employee. Depending on the impact it will have on the schedule, if needed, he will request that the Commissioners allow them to carry-over their time to 2021. The District is also in communication with the surrounding fire departments. They will be working together on work sharing due to staffing issues.

Executive Session:

A motion was made by Mr. Vander Molen, seconded by Mr. Schultz to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter. All Commissioners present voted in the affirmative. Motion approved at 6:16PM.

A motion was made by Mr. Vander Molen, seconded by Mr. Schultz to return to the General Session. All Commissioners present voted in the affirmative. Motion approved at 6:40PM.

No business was conducted during the Executive Session.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, the motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Scicchitano, seconded by Mr. Karoglanian. All Commissioners present voted in the affirmative. Meeting adjourned at 6:40PM.

MEETING ATTENDANCE:

Commissioners: Bronstein (Chair), Karoglanian, Scicchitano, Schultz and Vander Molen. Treasurer Fusco, Chief Green, DFD President Steinberg, and LT O'Connor.

Kerrie Fusco
Acting Secretary
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