

**Village of Chester Commission  
Special Monthly Meeting  
March 27, 2019 – 2:00 pm**

**Attendance:** Bill Nauss, Commission Chair; Nancy Hatch, Commission Vice Chair; Jo-Ann Grant, Commissioner; Tom Mulrooney, Commissioner; Michael Heisler, Commissioner; Dennis Egyedy, Clerk Treasurer

**Regrets:** Nil

**Public Gallery:** There were four members of the public in attendance

**1.0 Call to Order**

Chair Nauss called the March 27, 2019 special meeting of the Village of Chester Commission to order at 2:10pm.

**2.0 Request for Decision**

Fire Tanker – Requests for Proposals

Clerk Treasurer Egyedy explained the RFD for the contracting of a consultant to prepare the technical specifications for a Tandem Fire Tanker. Egyedy explained that a request for proposals was issued on February 14<sup>th</sup> and closed on February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019 with one consultant responding. A total of 3 consultants were contacted with Maritime Fire Apparatus as the only response. Staff recommendation is to approve option 1 at a cost of \$5,000 to \$6,000 with Maritime Fire Apparatus.

**MOTION #19-014:** Commissioner Hatch moved, Commissioner Heisler seconded:  
To approve the proposal from Maritime Fire Apparatus for the “Provision of the Technical Specifications” for the supply/manufacture of a Tandem Tanker for the Chester Volunteer Fire Department.

Carried

**MOTION #19-015:** Commissioner Mulrooney moved, Commissioner Grant seconded:  
To amend Motion #19-14 whereas the budget for the tanker be set at \$400,000, and Furthermore; the specifications for the tanker which must fit down Village roads and fit into the present firehall, and Furthermore; a public tender for the tanker must not be single sourced.

Commissioner Mulrooney explained his amendment and requested an explanation of the process to be followed with the truck purchase. Clerk Treasurer Egyedy explained that he would contact the consultant to sign an agreement for the completion of the truck specifications and tendering documents. Egyedy would post the tender request on the government website and send tender request to specific manufacturers. An evaluation of the tenders would be completed by Egyedy, the consultant, and Fire Chief. A request for decision will be prepared for the Commission to approve of the manufacturer of the truck and cost to construct.

Commissioner Grant expressed her concern that a price tag of \$400,000 was not practical.

Commissioner Hatch disagreed with the restriction that the truck must fit in the Village as the cost for the truck is being paid half by the Village and half by the rest of the Fire District. The vehicle must serve the entire Fire District.

Commissioner Heisler stated that a specific price tag was not necessary and agreed with the comments of Commissioner Hatch.

Commissioner Nauss disagreed with the \$400,000 or putting any limit on the cost of the truck. The specifications should be the same as the truck currently in the fire hall. The Clerk Treasurer will ensure that the truck meets our requirements and the best price is obtained.

Commissioner Mulrooney withdrew a proposed cap of \$400,000 and condition on public tender.

The Commission voted on the motion amendment as amended:

**MOTION AMENDMENT #19-15:** The specifications for the tanker which must fit the needs of the Village roads and service area; and fit into the present firehall.

Defeated

### 3.0 EDM Update

Commissioner Grant expressed concern that the report received was not a final report as the email copies had draft on each page. Secondly, there are grammatical errors in the report.

Clerk Treasurer Egyedy explained that the document on the agenda was for information only and a final report with recommendations will be presented by EDM to the Commission on April 10<sup>th</sup>. EDM has been informed that the final report must be available by April 4<sup>th</sup> for inclusion in the agenda package and distribution to the Commission.

The Commission discussed the possibility of a public workshop to review the report and recommendations. It would be decided at the April 10<sup>th</sup> meeting.

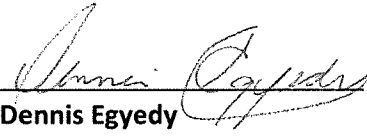
9.0 **Adjournment**

Commissioner Heisler moved the March 27, 2019 meeting adjourn at 2:48 pm.



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**Bill Nauss**  
**Commission Chair**



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**Dennis Egyedy**  
**Clerk Treasurer**