

Pine-Strawberry Fire District

PINE-STRAWBERRY FIRE BOARD SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES January 14, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 4:07 pm

- 1) **Pledge of Allegiance**
- 2) **Roll Call** – Present were Board Clerk Bob Papke and Board Member Dave Burkhart. Board Member Bruce Dow was in attendance via Zoom. Board Chairman Chuck Ackerman and Member Mel Palmer were absent.
- 3) **Call to the Public** –None
- 4) **New Business** –
 - a) Consideration of authorizing Fire Chief to send a letter of intent to award purchase contract for a new fire engine.

There has been a committee of Department personnel researching the replacement of aging Engine 411(E-411) for some time. Specifications for a replacement engine have been drafted with participation of H&E Equipment Services of Phoenix.

Total cost for E-One (Manufacturer) EMAX 4WD Pumper including sales tax is \$874,824.77. E-One is a member of the joint purchasing group Sourcewell. H&E has advised of a pending 3-4% price increase.

Our current quote can be held with an “Intent to Contract” letter from the Fire Chief authorized by the Board, until the formal bid presentation to the Board which is scheduled for the next regular Board meeting (Thursday, January 27, 2022). At that time the Board can elect to withdraw or proceed with a purchase contract without penalty.

Dave Burkhart made a motion that the Board allow the Fire Chief to send a Letter of Intent to Contract to H&E Equipment Services. Bruce Dow seconded the motion and it passed with three ayes.

Chief Wisner presented a draft Letter of Intent. Chief Wisner signed the letter as authorized, and Board Clerk Bob Papke attested the same.

- 5) **Future Meeting Date** The next regular monthly Board Meeting was previously scheduled for Thursday, January 27, 2022, at 6:00 pm.
In addition to previously identified agenda items the following were requested:
H&E presentation of Engine 411 replacement
Labor Group - Wage & Benefits study

- 6) **Adjournment** –Bob Papke made a motion to adjourn. Bruce Dow seconded the motion and it passed with three ayes at 4:31 pm.