



City of Rochelle Fire Department

Memo

To: David Plyman, City Manager
From: Brian Johnson, Fire Chief
Date: 11/04/2011
Re: Command vehicle purchase

The current budget includes funds for the purchase of a ¾ ton 4X4 Crew Cab pick-up truck. This unit will be used primarily as a command vehicle for the fire chief. The truck will also serve as a means to transport (tow) the rescue boat or hazardous materials trailer to emergency scenes. The four door cab will allow it to be a personnel transport, also. The current “Chief’s buggy” will be maintained as a second command vehicle, available to the shift lieutenant for emergency responses as well as inspections and other day-to-day activities.

Subsequent to the required public notification, competitive bids for a new unit were opened on November 1, 2011. Three bids were received as follows:

2012 Ford F250	Prescott Brothers Ford, Rochelle	\$27,314.82
2012 Chevrolet 2500HD	Sawicki Motor Co., Rochelle	\$28,568.00
2012 Chevrolet 2500HD	Schimmer, Inc., Mendota	\$29,566.86

Schimmer, Inc. submitted two bids. The bid that did not meet the minimum “specs” is not included in this memo.

In reviewing the above bids, they meet our specifications. The budgeted funds will be used from the Ambulance Fund for equipment purchases. It is my recommendation to authorize the purchase of the 2012 Ford F250 from Prescott Brothers Ford, Rochelle for the price \$27,314.82.

If convenient, please place this item on the November 14, 2011 City Council agenda.

Thank you.

Brian