

TOWN OF WARREN BOARD OF SELECTMAN

Notice of Selectman's Meeting
via Zoom

DATE: August 18, 2020

Time: 5:00 P.M.

Place: Zoom Meeting

1. Minutes of July 21, 2020
2. Public Comment
3. Correspondence: C Warshaw
4. Additions to the Agenda
5. Fire Company – truck bids
6. Land Use Department
 - a. Land Use Officer update
 - b. Appointments
7. HR Consultant update: E Meehan
8. Wasley Farm Committee Update
9. Beach Cameras
10. First Selectman's report
11. Discussion of salary compensation adjustment:
 - a. Zoom meeting compensation
 - b. D Murphy -tabled from July 21, 2020
12. Possible Executive Session: tabled from July 21, 2020
13. Public comment

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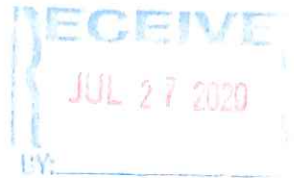
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Dear Mr. McCormick,

I need to advise you of several concerns I have regarding the Warren Fire Company and the Town of Warren.

The new truck that is being purchased was not bid fairly, when the new truck was first discussed it was made clear by Roger Tanner Asst. Chief that the truck will be a Pierce and that his nephew a member of the Fire Company would get the commission on the truck. You may not be aware that many of the long standing truck committee members no longer serve on this committee because they wanted no part of the plan to guarantee the sale to Pierce.

The specification sent out to bid were written by Pierce and provided to the Fire Company, they included proprietary items to ensure that only Pierce would get the bid. This was not by chance, this was planned.

This is not a fair bid and it does not serve the interest of the Town. We are buying a truck, to ensure a Fire Company member gets a commission, this is wrong.

The President of the Fire Company sent a letter to the Town of those members that met the qualifications for the Tax Abatement. Several names on the list did not meet the minimum requirements, but they were included anyway since they were close and are active members, so it is just a small lie. I guess transferring Town money to a member that did not meet the requirements is really not a crime. I would think if those members accept the abatement knowing they did not meet the requirements it is really not a crime either, the Town has plenty of money and they could use the money!

It is a new group of people running the Fire Company, the idea of serving the Town seems to have changed to serving oneself. Lets not worry about rules or laws, we are above those rules and laws because we wear a white hat.

Cc

James Richardson
Timothy Angevine
Craig Nelson
JoAnn Marsh
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May 6, 2020

Town of Warren
50 Cemetery Road
Warren, CT 06754

Attention: Chief Ted Pettit

RE: Fire Truck Bid: Cab Configuration

Dear Chief Pettit,

Here are the details as a follow up to our conversation from the other day:

- The Killingworth chassis that your committee inspected was a Spartan Metro Star **Medium Four Door (MFD)** cab. The front axle to rear of the cab measurement on this configuration is 54".
- The cab we specified in our bid package was an **Extended Medium Four Door (EMFD)** cab. The front axle to rear of the cab measurement on this configuration is 60".
- A **Long Four Door (LFD)** cab configuration from the front axle to the rear of the cab measurement is 67.5".

We were aware that the committee's desire for cab length that was longer than the Killingworth chassis. When I called and discussed questions with you prior to the bid proposals being submitted, I asked if you wanted the compartment on the rear of the cab. Your answer was no, and that you were just looking to extend the seating along the rear wall of the cab, it was my understanding that your desire was for an EMFD configuration which achieves this goal.

The additional cost for a LFD configuration is \$2,200.00. If you choose to go with this configuration, it will extend the length by 7". We may need to adjust the compartments slightly in order to maintain the overall length requirement.

Please let me know if you have any additional questions. We look forward to working with you on this project.

Thank you for the opportunity.

Sincerely,

Eric Epstein

Eric Epstein
Sales Representative