

COMMON COUNCIL

Special Meeting
August 24, 2010

Mayor Joseph Maiurano presided at a special meeting of the Common Council held at 6:00 PM on August 24, 2010, in the Council Chambers.

Present:

Ald. Robert Carey
Ald. Terry Bresina
Ald. John Deierlein
Ald. Walter Schermerhorn
Ald. Paul Laughlin
Ald. Robert Jeffrey (arr. 6:05 p.m.)
Mayor Joseph Maiurano

Also:

Clerk/Director of Finance William Roberts
Fire Chief Tracy Chawgo
Code Enforcement Officer Jason Lawrence
Police Chief Joseph Angelino
Deputy City Clerk Brian Drake

Absent

Supervisor James McNeil
Supervisor Linda Natoli

Call to Order

The special meeting of the Common Council was called to order by Mayor Maiurano at 6:01 p.m.

Resolutions

RESOLUTION #57-2010

AWARDING BID – 49 FRONT STREET FOUNDATION

Ald. Carey introduced the following and **moved** its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Common Council adopted Resolution #01 of 2010 on January 12, 2010, authorizing a contract with DCMO BOCES for the construction of a house at 49 Front Street in the city of Norwich; and

WHEREAS, it was therein designated that said contract provides that the City be responsible for all materials costs and the cost of contracting of construction services not provided by the BOCES students; and

WHEREAS, included in such costs that are to be the responsibility of the City is the construction of a foundation; and

WHEREAS, bids have been received for the construction of the foundation at 49 Front Street; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the bid for the construction of the foundation at 49 Front Street be awarded to the lowest qualified bidder meeting specifications, Wilcox Construction, Norwich, NY, in the amount of \$27,500.

Seconded by Ald. Deierlein, and duly adopted, 6-0, on a roll call vote.

Discussion: Code Enforcement Officer Jason Lawrence explained the history of this project and projected costs. Ald. Schermerhorn asked if grant funds were used. J. Lawrence said no grant money is being used. Ald. Carey asked about insurance. J. Lawrence and Director of Finance William Roberts explained that BOCES is responsible for insurance coverage of student workers. The Council discussed finances. Ald. Jeffrey asked about the consequences if BOCES cannot complete the project. J. Lawrence replied that BOCES has done similarly sized projects before. Mayor Maiurano remarked that this is a great project for the City and for BOCES.

Motion

Ald. Deierlein **moved** to remove from the table Resolution #56-2010. Seconded by Ald. Carey, approved ayes all.

RESOLUTION #56-2010**AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF BID FOR USED VEHICLES FOR THE
FIRE DEPARTMENT AND TRANSFER OF FUNDS**

Ald. Bresina introduced the following and **moved** its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Fire Department's 2000 Chevrolet Blazer and 1999 Ford Crown Victoria are in disrepair beyond reliable condition for the department's purposes and are in need of replacement and;

WHEREAS, the New Windsor Fire Department of New Windsor, New York, will be accepting bids for the sale of two fully equipped 2004 Chevy Suburbans not later than September 14, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department's need for replacement vehicles has been discussed by the Public Safety/Public Works and Finance/Personnel Committees; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Fire Chief be and hereby is authorized to submit a bid to the New Windsor Fire Department on behalf of the City of Norwich for the two 2004 Chevy Suburbans in an amount not to exceed \$27,000; and further be it

RESOLVED, that the Director of Finance be and hereby is authorized to make the following transfer of funds into the 2010 General Fund Budget up to and not exceeding the following amounts:

From:

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
HR32-898	Capital Reserves - Fire Equipment	\$27,000.00

To:

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
A3410.2100	Fire Department – Equipment	\$27,000.00

Seconded by Ald. Deierlein, and denied, 0-6, on a roll call vote.

Discussion: Chief Chawgo reported that he and Chief Angelino inspected the vehicles offered by the New Windsor Fire Department. The vehicles are in excellent condition with approximately 50,000 and 60,000 miles. The minimum bid for each vehicle is \$9,500. Besides the Chief's vehicle, the former police car has 103,000 miles and the Durango need to be replaced as well. The used vehicles are already prepared for lights and sirens. A state-bid vehicle will cost \$25,890. Ald. Schermerhorn again questioned replacing these vehicles with 2004 vehicles. Ald. Jeffrey repeated his opinion that the Department should be looking for a new vehicle with a warranty in order to save money on maintenance. Ald. Carey reviewed prices for new vehicles compared to the probable purchase price of the used vehicles with maintenance. Chief Angelino then stated that he could retire a truck to transfer to the Fire Department.

Adjournment

Ald. Deierlein **moved** to adjourn at 6:46 p.m. Seconded by Ald. Schermerhorn, approved ayes all.