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**MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS**  
**Special Meeting – Tuesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**ATTENDEES:** Chairman Marc Komorsky                      Commissioner Barry Ward  
Commissioner Vincent Tierney                      Commissioner Anthony Pignataro  
Commissioner Robert Taft                              Chief Anthony Champion  
Deputy Chief Scott Merritt                              Deputy Chief Bryan Zittel  
Treasurer Mark Pozniak (via Teams)

At 5:33 PM, Chairman Marc Komorsky called the Board of Fire Commissioners’ Special Meeting to order for Tuesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025, then led the Pledge of Allegiance. He thanked everyone for attending.

**RESCUE TRUCK PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM:**

Chairman Komorsky read the proposed resolution to purchase a heavy rescue emergency vehicle (full resolution attached).

Upon a MOTION made by Commissioner Ward and SECONDED by Commissioner Pignataro, the Board RESOLVED to adopt the resolution as read by the chairman. Pignataro – Aye, Taft – Aye, Tierney – Aye, Ward – Aye, Komorsky – Aye.  
**Motion Carried.**

Brief discussion followed regarding the length of the vehicle. Chairman Komorsky asked if anyone had any questions about the Rescue One Custom Heavy Rescue- Quick Spec Contract Proposal. Treasurer Pozniak noted that with this proposal the District will be paying throughout the process instead of one check handed over upon the delivery of the vehicle as has been done with past purchases. He said there were two things that were discussed with the attorney – changing the valid period from 30 days to 45 days and changing the language to lock in the price. Commissioner Ward said that the Attorney Hekle noted that there may still be a price change based on the Force Majeure clause. Treasurer Pozniak said that he wanted the Board to be aware that the price could go up because of it. Commissioner Ward suggested they wait until the next meeting and discuss it with the attorney before signing an agreement. Discussion followed regarding what could be done control the District’s risks and when the contract should be signed.

**STATION 1 BUILDING UPDATE:**

Commissioner Ward said they were going to talk about the asbestos testing at Station 1 and he asked CPL to send the report to Attorney Hekle and have a legal review with one of their OSHA attorneys to come back with recommendations. Commissioner Tierney commented that they found the same tiles in the old bar room and with the abatement they took them out, and the same exact tiles in the kitchen and same exact tiles in the foyer and now they are waiting. Chairman Komorsky said his recommendation is to not touch anything and tell everyone not involved in the construction to not touch anything in there until the report comes back.

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# LAGRANGE FIRE DISTRICT

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## **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

At 6:05 PM, upon a MOTION made by Commissioner Taft and SECONDED by Commissioner Pignataro, the Board RESOLVED to go into Executive Session to discuss one personnel item from the Chief. Pignataro – Aye, Taft – Aye, Tiernay - Aye, Ward – Aye, Komorsky - Aye. **Motion Carried.**

## **OPEN SESSION & ADJOURNMENT:**

At 6:20 PM, the Board resumed Open Session.

Upon a MOTION made by Commissioner Pignataro and SECONDED by Commissioner Taft, the Board RESOLVED to adjourn the meeting. Pignataro – Aye, Taft – Aye, Tiernay - Aye, Ward – Aye, Komorsky - Aye. **Motion Carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Bria Le – District Secretary

***Approved by the Board of Fire Commissioners on 5/13/25***

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## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Section 6-g of the General Municipal Law, as amended, that the resolution published herewith has been adopted by the Board of Fire Commissioners of the LaGrange Fire District in the Town of LaGrange, Dutchess County, New York, on April 15, 2025. Such resolution was adopted subject to a permissive referendum set forth in Section 6-g, Subdivision 4 of the General Municipal Law as amended.

### **RESOLUTION OF THE LAGRANGE FIRE DISTRICT TO PURCHASE HEAVY RESCUE EMERGENCY VEHICLE**

**WHEREAS**, the LaGrange Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners, in the Town of LaGrange, Dutchess County, New York, approve the purchase of one 2026 (or newer) Rescue 1 37'4" Walk-Around Heavy Rescue on a Spartan ELFD Gladiator Custom Chassis ("Emergency Vehicle") for LaGrange Fire District, consistent with the specification sheet attached hereto as Exhibit A;

**WHEREAS**, the LaGrange Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners, upon the recommendation of the Chief of the LaGrange Fire District, approves the purchase of the aforementioned Emergency Vehicle for the LaGrange Fire District;

**WHEREAS**, the LaGrange Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners approves the expenditure of up to One Million Seven Hundred Ninety-Eight Thousand Six Hundred Forty-Nine Dollars and Zero Cents (\$1,798,649.00) from the Apparatus Fund, for the purchase of an Emergency Vehicle to the LaGrange Fire District;

**WHEREAS**, the determined period of probable usefulness of the Emergency Vehicle is anticipated to be at least ten (10) years, consistent with Section 11.00(13) of the Local Finance Law;

**WHEREAS**, the LaGrange Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners has and will comply with all requirements of the permissive referendum, as required by General Municipal Law, Section 6-g(7), and, upon this resolution being adopted, the same shall be published in full in the Poughkeepsie Journal together with a notice from the Fire District Secretary in the form provided by Section 175 of the Town Law as amended;

**WHEREAS**, Hendrickson Fire Rescue Equipment has agreed to supply the Emergency Vehicle to LaGrange Fire District, as required by the LaGrange Fire District in its specifications, see Exhibit A, for no more than One Million Seven Hundred Ninety-Eight Thousand Six Hundred Forty-Nine Dollars and Zero Cents (\$1,798,649.00).

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted by an affirmative vote of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the LaGrange Fire District in the Town of LaGrange, Dutchess County, New York.

Dated: April 15, 2025

Bria Le  
La Grange Fire District Secretary