

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COMMENCEMENT OF BIDDING FOR PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT FOR THE WEST CHESTER TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT INCLUDING THE ADVERTISEMENT FOR AND REVIEW OF BIDS RELATED THERETO

WHEREAS, the West Chester Township Board of Township Trustees has determined that its fire department is in need of new personal protective equipment ("turnout gear");

WHEREAS, the Township has prepared specifications and estimates of cost, and such data as the Board of Trustees deems necessary to ensure the safety of its fire department;

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code 505.376 requires that when any expenditure of a fire and ambulance district, other than for compensation of employees, exceeds fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00), the contract for the expenditure must be in writing and made with the lowest and best bidder;

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code 505.376 requires that for a fire and ambulance district expenditure greater than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00), the township must advertise the contract once a week for no less than two (2) consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation and also must cause noticed to be inserted in trade papers and on the board's internet website;

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees now desires to commence the competitive bidding process for the purchase of turnout gear.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the West Chester Township Board of Trustees:

- **SECTION 1.** The Board of Trustees is authorized by Ohio Revised Code 505.376 to receive competitive bids for expenditures of a fire and ambulance district, including, but not limited to, personal protective equipment ("turnout gear") to ensure the safety of its fire department employees.
- **SECTION 2.** The Board of Trustees authorizes the Township Administrator to commence the bidding process for said turnout gear in compliance with all applicable laws, including, but not limited to, Ohio Revised Code 505.376.
- **SECTION 3.** The Board of Trustees approves for publication a "Notice to Bidders" for the turnout gear and authorizes the Township Administrator to publish said notice for one (1) week in a newspaper of general circulation within the Township at least two (2) weeks prior to the date specified for received bids together with a posting on the Board of Trustees' website, all in conformance with Ohio Revised Code 505.376.
- **SECTION 4.** The Board of Trustees authorizes the Township Administrator to receive the bids in accordance with all applicable laws, substantiate the responsiveness of the bids, and then conduct a responsibility investigation of the apparent low bidders, and any other bidder as appropriate, in

conformance with the instructions to bidders, and prepare and submit to the Board of Trustees a recommendation about the award or rejection of any bid or bids, in accordance with all applicable laws.

SECTION 5. This resolution shall be effective upon its passage.

Adopted this 13th day of November, 2018.

Ann Becker, Vice President

Mark/Welch, Trustee

Yes / No

Yes / No

ATTEST:

Bruce Jones, Township Fiscal Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Donald L. Crain Law Director

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