

**Protection & Welfare Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**May 15, 2007**

Sullivan asked Alderman Cochrane to Chair the Committee in the absence of Alderman Snyder.

**Acting Chairman Cochrane** called the meeting to order at 6:48 p.m. and the Deputy Clerk confirmed appropriate notice was given.

**Members present:** Mayor Sullivan and Aldermen Cochrane, Hollatz and Miller

**Members absent:** Alderman Snyder

**Staff present:** Gard, Frye, Leidel, Kitsembel, Duffy, Beguhn, Buerger, Gallo, Maurer, Bednarski, Roush and Dehnert

**Others present:** Aldermen Larsen and Antonneau, Atty. Chapman, Mike Laventure and S. Sugden

**2. Consider/act on the Purchase of Travel Trailer**

Beguhn reported three weeks ago they received an e-mail from FEMA stating there were 20 travel trailers which were going to be available to law enforcement agencies and non-profit organizations through the Federal Surplus Property Program at a cost of \$5,250 each. These trailers had been used in Louisiana, Mississippi and Florida and were in a variety of conditions. Lt. Buerger went to the storage facility in Madison to look at the trailers and then went again this morning to see what was left. He put two different trailers on hold until tomorrow when the price of each will go up to \$7,350. However, they will hold the \$5,250 price pending approval of the purchase by the committee tonight. Beguhn stated they would like to purchase one trailer to be used as central commander center in a crisis. It will be able to be towed by the Expedition as well as any DPW vehicle. This will be purchased through the police forfeiture account.

Motion by Hollatz to approve the purchase of a travel trailer from the Federal Surplus Property Program at the cost of \$5,250; second by Miller. Motion carried 3-0.

**3. Consider/ recommend the Purchase of a 2008 Ambulance for the Ambulance Service**

Leidel reported the new Ambulance Committee met over the last several months and updated the specs for a new ambulance. This purchase is part of the five year replacement program and will replace the 1991 Ford ambulance. Four quotes were sent out and one quote was received by 5 Alarm Fire and Safety Equipment Inc. in the amount of \$207,196, but if an order is placed by May 24, a discount of \$1,960 can be taken off, bringing the total to \$205,236. There are new emission requirements for 2007 which are included in the bid, as well as a power operated cot, which should help eliminate back injuries. \$60,000 was budgeted in 2006 for the chassis purchase with another \$125,000 in 2007. Leidel reported they plan to sell the 1991 ambulance at state auction for \$3,000 to \$4,000 which should help offset the higher purchase price. Prepayment options were suggested by the vendor but the finance department did an analysis and deemed it better for the City to manage payment themselves. Delivery of the new ambulance is expected to be around February or March, 2008. The price is guaranteed through delivery.

Motion by Hollatz to recommend to Council the purchase of a 2008 Ambulance from 5 Alarm Fire and Safety Equipment in the amount of \$205,236.00; second by Miller. Motion carried 3-0.

Motion by Hollatz to adjourn; second by Miller. Motion carried 3-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

Minutes taken by  
Chris Dehnert, Deputy City Clerk  
Ald. Miller, Secretary