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TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: City Manager Bill Bridgeo
RE: Administrative Report
DATE: March 25, 2013

Meetings:

On Thursday, March 28, the City Council will hold an Informational Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers. The agenda is enclosed.

Other Items:

Following proper capital planning and bonding authorization, Fire Chief Audette and Assistant City Manager St. Pierre oversaw the development of bid specifications and a competitive bid process for the acquisition of a new fire truck. The bid results are contained in this package and reflect that Pierce Manufacturing, a well respected long-standing producer of quality fire apparatus, is the lowest responsive bidder at \$499,825 and has thus been awarded the contract (the lowest bid received was \$13,000 less for an Emergency One vehicle – another reputable option - but did not meet specification in a key component regarding the extension ladder, the value of which exceeded the price differential). It will take Pierce about six months to manufacture the vehicle so we should be able to take delivery in the fall.

Following approval last week of the creation of the new position of Deputy Finance Director, I am pleased to announce the appointment of Ms. Tracy Roy to the position effective next week. Ms. Roy has a strong background in municipal finance and is leaving the position of Finance Director for the town of York to join us. Prior to that, she was Finance director for the City of Auburn for two years and before that spent a number of years in the finance department of the City of South Portland, rising through the ranks to the position of comptroller. Ms. Roy is adept with our MUNIS software systems. She holds a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting from the University of Maine at Augusta and resides with her family in Lisbon Falls. We look forward to her arrival.

At this writing, my proposed FY 2014 budget is in printing and will be distributed to you at Thursday evening's informational meeting.

WRB/pec

Enclosure

cc: Department and Bureau Directors
Legislative Delegation