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RESOLUTION 22-175

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**Resolution of the Mayor and Council of Princeton Rejecting Bid for Purchase of One (1) High-Water Rescue Truck**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to a duly advertised Notice to Bidders published pursuant to the requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., on May 5, 2022 the Municipality of Princeton received one (1) bid for the purchase of one (1) high-water rescue vehicle for use by Princeton's Office of Emergency Management from Eastern Surplus & Equipment Co.; and

**WHEREAS**, the Local Public Contracts Law requires that an award of a contract exceeding the bid threshold be made to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, and further does not authorize a municipality to accept a materially defective bid; and

**WHEREAS**, the bid submitted by the apparent low bidder for this purchase failed to include a required Consent of Surety and also contained conditions and exceptions to certain provisions in the Contract Documents, which render the bid materially defective and unresponsive; and

**WHEREAS**, the Local Public Contracts Law requires the rejection of unresponsive bids and bids which contain material, non-waivable defects.


**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Municipality of Princeton, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The bid received for the purchase of one (1) high water rescue truck from Eastern Surplus & Equipment Co. is hereby rejected for the reasons set forth in the "Whereas" clauses.

2. The Princeton Administrator, Director of Department of Emergency and Safety Services, Municipal Attorney and Clerk's office are hereby authorized and directed to make appropriate revisions to the specifications as may be necessary and to re-advertise same.

Councilperson	Absent	Present	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Disqualified
Ms. Pirone Lambros		X	X		X			
Ms. Niedergang	X							
Mr. Cohen		X			X			
Ms. Fraga		X		X	X			
Ms. Sacks		X			X			
Mr. Newlin		X			X			
Mayor Freda		X						

I, Delores A. Williams, Municipal Clerk of Princeton, do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council of Princeton at a meeting held on May 9, 2022.



Delores A. Williams, Municipal Clerk