

**FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP  
RESOLUTION NO. 19-27**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF RIFLES FOR THE POLICE  
DEPARTMENT FROM VANCE'S LAW ENFORCEMENT, AT A COST OF \$29,959.50.**

**WHEREAS:** The Police Chief has recommended in order to modernize our patrol rifle program, to have one standard rifle manufacturer for all FTPD patrol personnel to have more consistency and to promote the health, safety and welfare of FTPD Officers and residents; and

**WHEREAS:** The rifles will be purchased out of Safety Service Fund No. 2191;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Board of Trustees of Fairfield Township, Butler County, Ohio, as follows;

**SECTION 1:** The Board hereby authorizes the Police Chief to purchase Rifles for the Police Department from Vance's Law Enforcement, at a cost of \$29,959.50, attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

**SECTION 2:** The Board hereby dispenses with the requirement that this resolution be read on two separate days, pursuant to RC 504.10, and authorizes the adoption of this resolution upon its first reading.

**SECTION 3** This resolution is the subject of the general authority granted to the Board of Trustees through the Ohio Revised Code and not the specific authority granted to the Board of Trustees through the status as a Limited Home Rule Township.

**SECTION 4:** That it is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including §121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**SECTION 5:** This resolution shall take effect at the earliest period allowed by law.

**Adopted:** February 13, 2019

**Board of Trustees**

Susan Berding:

Susan Berding

Joe McAbee:

Joe McAbee

Shannon Hartkemeyer:

Shannon Hartkemeyer

**Vote of Trustees**

YES

YES

YES

**AUTHENTICATION**

This is to certify that this is a resolution which was duly passed, and filed with the Fairfield Township Fiscal Officer this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019.

**ATTEST:**

Shelly Schultz

Shelly Schultz, Fairfield Township Fiscal Officer

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

L.E. Barbieri

Lawrence E. Barbieri, Township Law Director

February 5, 2019

TO: Julie Vonderhaar  
Administrator

FROM: Robert Chabali  
Chief of Police

SUBJECT: Rifle Purchase Request

Mrs. Vonderhaar:

As we continue to review issues within the Fairfield Township Police Department, I have the same concerns with our personnel's patrol rifles as I did with the issued pistols, which were trade purchased in July 2018 (report authored May 31, 2018). Our personnel are either issued government surplus patrol rifles through the Law Enforcement Support Office (LESO) 1033 Program or use their own purchased patrol rifles. Our current inventory reveals that while all rifles are the proper .223 caliber ideal for patrol officers, we have a hodgepodge of rifle manufacturers issued to our personnel. Some of the personnel who own their own rifles have also purchased their own scopes. The different manufacturers include Colt (LESO government issued), Armalite, Bushmaster, Daniel Defense, Smith and Wesson, Anderson MFG, Sig, and Del-Ton. While the option to have personnel purchase their own rifle is adequate at best, it is not the most desired option, could result in liability and should be streamlined much like we streamlined the pistols in mid-2018. If you recall, we had numerous pistol calibers and manufacturers, which was not desired. After much research, we then purchased the 9 mm Glock pistol with light mounts for all personnel subsequent to your and the Trustees approval.

In order to modernize our patrol rifle program, I request approval to purchase one standard rifle manufacturer for all FTPD patrol personnel and do away with the LESO and the self-owned rifles. I note the following reasons for the purchase of these weapons:

- Other than the Colt M16 LESO rifle, there is no consistency on the manufacturer and type of rifle being used by our personnel, which makes it difficult for armorers to work on
- Not all weapons have light mounts - while some personnel have purchased light mounts for their weapon all should have light mounts as they enhance citizen and officer safety
- Not all personnel have the proper slings
- Any weapon used by an officer in an officer involved shooting would be taken off line and placed as evidence until litigation ends, eliminating the ability of the officer to get their weapon back in a timely manner
- While all current weapons are inspected and while personnel must pass a training course and qualify with the weapon prior to being authorized to deploy them, there is no maintenance information available, no accountability on number of rounds fired, age and history of the current weapons, which could be an issue in civil litigation as we do not have any maintenance history on them

In order to streamline the issued rifle and after researching the most suitable weapon for FTPD, I request approval to purchase the Sig Saur .223 caliber rifle with light mounts, vertical grips, 4 magazines and slings. I am requesting two variants to accommodate not only patrol officers, but also the officers who are assigned to the Butler County SWAT Team. The SWAT variants have a shorter barrel (11 inches versus 16 inches). While we currently have two officers assigned to the Butler County SWAT Team, the intended goal is to have a total of four as our younger personnel become more experienced. These weapons can also be used by patrol officers. I am also requesting the purchase of two EOTech sites for the current personnel assigned to SWAT. Much like the pistols, I am requesting a total of 25 in order to be able to replace weapons as the result of required maintenance, or replace weapons used in officer involved shootings.

I have attached the spec sheet for the weapons and accessories requested for your review, which total \$29,959.50.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert Chabali". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "R".

Robert Chabali  
Chief of Police



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Remit Pymt To: 4250 Alum Creek Dr  
Obetz, OH 43207  
ph (614)489-5025  
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Account Name: Fairfield Township Police Department      Date: 12/12/2018  
 Contact Name: Ofc. Corey Stebbins      Quote Number: 00025514  
 Bill To: 6485 Vonnies Ct      Prepared By: Blake Hairston  
           Hamilton, Oh 45011  
 Phone: 513-785-4179  
 Fax: (513) 737-4405  
 Email: cstebbins@fairfieldtwp.org

Quantity	Style	Product Family	Description	Unit Quantity	Sales Price	Total Price
4.00	WRM400-11B-PRO-SBR	Sig Sauer	SIGM400, 5.56 NATO, SBR, 11IN, PRO, BLK, SEMI, FOLD SIGHTS, TELE STOCK, AL MLOK HG, 1X GI 30RD MAG	Each	\$882.12	\$3,528.48
21.00	WRM400-16B-PRO	Sig Sauer	SIGM400, 5.56 NATO, RIFLE, 16IN, PRO, BLK, SEMI-AUTO, FOLDING Frnt-Rear SIGHTS, TELE STOCK, AL MLOK HG, 1- 30RD MAG	Each	\$882.12	\$18,524.52
25.00	KIT-TRD-GRIP-VERTICAL-BLK	Sig Sauer	Tread Vertical Foregrip with Barricade Stop, MLOK, Black Finish	Each	\$26.25	\$656.25
25.00	MAG-518-BLK	Magpul	MS4 DUAL QD SLING GEN2 BLK	each	\$57.00	\$1,425.00
25.00	69262	Streamlight	TLR-1 HL Long Gun Kit	Each	\$144.65	\$3,616.25
2.00	EXPS2-0	EOTech	Single CR123 battery;reticle pattern with 68 MOA ring and 1 MOA dot - side buttons-single QD lever	Each	\$505.50	\$1,011.00
100.00	MAG557-BLK	Magpul	PMAG 30 AR/M4 GEN M3, 5.56X45 MAGAZINE	1 ea	\$11.78	\$1,178.00

Subtotal \$29,939.50  
 Trade In Value \$0.00  
 Shipping and Handling \$20.00  
 Tax \$0.00  
 Quote Grand Total \$29,959.50

Payment Details

Net 30   
 Check   
 Credit Card

Number of Days  
 Quote Valid

**Quote Valid 30 Days**

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#### Product Description

THE SIGM400 SERIES ENHANCED RIFLE, is designed for use in law enforcement, military operations, the sporting field, as well as competitive shooting. The SIGM400 is a true AR platform tactical rifle with unparalleled accuracy. A 16" Nitride treated barrel provides superior corrosion resistance, and a 7075-T6 aircraft grade aluminum forged lower receiver adds to the durability and reliability that users come to expect from SIG SAUER. This ODG version with Black upper and lower receiver, OD Green polymer Magpul MOE forend, grip and collapsible stock.

#### Product Specifications

- Action: Semi-auto
- Operating System: Direct Impingement
- Caliber: 5.56 X 45mm NATO