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New fire truck arrives in Falls City

(KLZA)-- A used ladder truck purchased for the Falls City Volunteer Fire Department arrived from it's former home in Burlington, Vermont Tuesday.

In October, the Falls City Council voted to authorize Council members Lucas Froeschl and Mitch Merz to co-chair to negotiate for the purchase of the truck.

The 2003 Custom E-One Cyclone II, 95-foot mid-mount platform was purchased new by the Burlington Fire Department at a price of \$800-thousand.

Tower I as the truck will be known will replace the current 1981 Smeal 65-foot ladder truck the Falls City Volunteer Fire Department has had in service for 40 years.

The E-One 6-man cab has a 2000 gallon per minute pump and a 300 gallon tank. It has hand controls in the bucket and a complete set of ladders. The truck has 77,910 miles on it and the unit has been certified for 2020 for both the pump and aerial ladder.

E-One staff members will come to Falls City and train local firefighters for two days on how the machine operates.

The hope is to have the truck in service by March 1.

The truck was hauled to Falls City by Becker Trucking Inc. from Seneca, Kansas. The truck is 48-feet, six-inches long.

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