



Gaston County

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Board of Commissioners
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Fire Marshal

Board Action

File #: 17-132

Commissioner Grant - Fire Marshal - To Approve the Transfer of Accumulated Funds Realized from Past Tax Collections, Revaluation, Interest Earned, Etc. to Community Volunteer Fire Department (\$15,000)

STAFF CONTACT

Eric Hendrix - Fire Marshal - 704-866-3231

BUDGET IMPACT

These transfers are keeping within current policy to transfer accumulated funds

BUDGET ORDINANCE IMPACT

Transferring accumulated funds from Fund Balance Appropriated Account to Community Volunteer Fire Department Subsidies Account

BACKGROUND

On occasion funds accumulate in fire district taxing accounts through the realization of past taxes being collected, property revaluation between budgets and account interest earned. This action will transfer such accumulated funds to Community Volunteer Fire Department. Chief Robert Jackson had previously submitted, by e-mail, a spending plan (attached) and Community's request for approval to ask the Commissioners to release \$15,000 of their reserve funds to them. Community will use the reserve funds toward the purchase of replacing outdated equipment (10 sets of firefighter protective gear) and adding new technology (5 Motorola Mintor 6 Pagers and 3 Ipads). Total cost of these items is \$29,905. The cost of these items will be funded by OSFM Grant and requested reserve funds (\$15,000). Jeff Hovis made a motion to recommend to the Commissioners that they release the requested reserve funds to Community. Barry Wilson seconded the motion. There was no further discussion or opposition. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

POLICY IMPACT

N/A

ATTACHMENTS

Budget Change Request and Community Volunteer Fire Department's Spending Plan for Reserve Fund

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I, Donna S. Buff, Clerk to the County Commission, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of action taken by the Board of Commissioners as follows:

NO.	DATE	M1	M2	Brown	Fraley	Grant	Hovis	Kelgher	Philbeck	Worley	Vote
2017-117	04/25/2017	RW	DG	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	U

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A=AYE, N=NAY, AB=ABSENT, ABS=ABSTAIN, U=UNANIMOUS

GASTON COUNTY BUDGET CHANGE REQUEST

TO: Earl Mathers COUNTY MANAGER

FROM: 4340 Fire Marshal
Dept. # Department Name

[Signature] 4/6/2017
Department Director's Signature Date

TYPE OF REQUEST:

☐ Line Item Transfer Within Department & Fund

☐ Line Item Transfer Between Funds *

☐ Project Transfer Within Department & Fund

☒ Additional Appropriation of Funds *

☐ Line Item Transfer Between Departments*

* Requires resolution by the Board of Commissioners

Resolution #

Date

ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION (As it appears in the budget)	ACCOUNT NUMBER	PROJECT	AMOUNT
	<small>Fund - Dept - Subdept - Div - Acct - Subacct</small>	<small>SUBPROJECT</small>	<small>Whole Dollars Only</small>
	<small>xx - xxxx - xxxx - xxxx - xxx - xxx</small>	<small>xxxxx - xxxxx</small>	<small>(See Note Below)</small>
Fund Balance Appropriated	28-9900-991-500		(15,000)
*Additional Subsidies (A/S)			
Community: A/S	28-4405-699-036		15,000

JUSTIFICATION FOR REQUEST:

Chief Robert Jackson submitted a spending plan and Community's request for approval to ask the Commissioners to release \$15,000 of their reserve funds to them. Community will use the reserve funds toward replacing 10 sets of firefighter protective gear and adding 5 Motorola Pagers and 3 Ipads. Total cost of these items is \$29,905. The cost of these items will be funded by OSFM Grant and requested reserve funds (\$15,000). Jeff Hovis made a motion to recommend to the Commissioners that they release the requested reserve funds to Community. Barry Wilson seconded the motion. There was no further discussion or opposition. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

APPROVAL SIGNATURES:

 County Manager/Interim Assistant County Manager Date

 Financial Operations Manager/Asst. Financial Operations Mgr. Date

 Interim Budget Administrator Date

Note: Decreases in expenditures & increases in revenue accounts require brackets. Increases in expenditures & decreases in revenue do not require brackets. Please note that transfers between funds require interfund transfer accounts.

To: Gaston County Fire Fighters Association Advisory Board
Subject: Holdback Monies Request

Amount Available: \$43,000.00
Amount Requested: \$15,000.00

Community has applied for the NC State Fire Department Grant from OSFM. This grant is a 50/50 matching grant. The total amount for we have requested this year is \$29,905 to replace some dated equipment and add some new technology.

- One of the items we have requested is 10 sets of firefighter protective gear. Our goal is to replace 10 set per year through the NC State Fire Department Grant. This year we are planning to replace the following:

10 coats @ \$1250.00 Total 12,500.00

10 pants @ \$990.00 Total \$9,900

10 Boots @ \$365.00 Total \$3,650

- Second Item we have requested is 5 Motorola Mintor 6 pagers. The service contract for our current pagers through county has expired and parts are hard to come by. These pagers have up graded technology allowing for more functions and should be serviceable for many years to come.

5 Motorola Mintor 6 pagers @ \$501.00 Total \$2,505.00

- Third items we have requested is 3 Ipads and truck mounts. This will replace the Mobile Data Computers in the apparatus. This computers take up a lot of room in the front of the apparatus. These computers are also plagued with connectivity problems. The Ipads will take up less space and have the ability to be removed. The Ipads also have a camera that can be used during pre-incident surveys and incidents. The Ipads will have cellular capabilities to allow information such as maps, business information, and hazmat information while on scene. The Ipads will work with our incident reporting system allow incident reports to be completed in the field saving time.

3 Ipads @ \$450.00 Total \$1350.00

Respectfully,
Gary Jackson, Fire Chief
Community Volunteer Fire Department