



Legislation Text

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FINANCIAL BUSINESS REQUEST (FBR)

Motion/Request:

MOTION to authorize the purchase of a used SCBA Cascade filling station from the Town of Preston in the amount of \$5,000 from Account # 0210-20-2050-20501-57300 (LFD CNR New Equipment).

Background:

The unit will be installed at Ledyard Fire Co by public works at the expense of Ledyard Fire Co. LFD has previously submitted AFG Grant requests for a new cascade / compressor unit. The purchase of this unit will solve the short-term issue of filling SCBA cylinders from Rescue 17 and filling Rescue 17's system at the Gales Ferry Station. Upon retirement of Rescue 17, this cascade will prevent the firefighters from having to transport empty cylinders to Gales Ferry for recharge. The acquisition will allow career staffing and volunteers to remain in their primary response district and lessen the occurrences of the Ledyard apparatus travelling to District 2 for extended periods of time.

Department Comment/Recommendation:

This purchase may also strengthen the grant application background for future AFG applications, as the grant will then be for replacement of an older unit and score higher on the review matrix. An estimated \$2000 of installation and electrical work will need to also be completed to accept the unit.

Finance Director Comment/Recommendation:

As of May 29, 2024, Account #21020501-57300 has a remaining unencumbered balance of \$54,900.87.

Mayor Comment/Recommendation:

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