



BUDGET WORKSHOP MINUTES
Chelan Fire and Rescue
Wednesday, November 4, 2015 at 9:00 A.M.
232 East Wapato, Chelan, WA



Commissioners in attendance: Robert Gervais, Tom Peters and Rick Nedrow and Elect Russ Jones.

Staff in attendance: Tim Lemon, Carol Kibler, Patrick Moore, Dale Rodman, Faye Barker and John Goyne.

Chairman Rick Nedrow opened the workshop at 9:00 a.m.

Chief Lemon reviewed preliminary values for 2016 tax year based on last year's \$1,779,962.00 and an increase of 1% at \$17,799.00 limited by initiative 747. New construction is assessed value at \$25,565.29 the total preliminary 2016 maximum \$1,836,657. Chief Lemon reviewed the revenues as listed in the budget spreadsheet. This year's estimated revenue from wildfires is \$173,000 some of the funds are awash in wages. \$127,000 will be transferred to Capital Reserve. General Reserve fund has a balance of \$505,341 this account is for future apparatus, facilities and catastrophic events. The Capital Fund \$143,196 is for capital improvements listed on the spreadsheet. The Bond account is to pay our annual payment of \$89,651 for Station 75 facility and apparatus.

Chief Lemon reviewed the total budgeted wages and benefits costs at 71.10% and operations at 28.90% the district is below the normal percentages for wages and benefits most departments are at 80-85% of their total budget for wage/benefit expenses.

Chief Lemon reviewed the stipend volunteer shift program and the benefits of having the extra person on shift. The Volunteer stipend shift program will remain in effect for the year.

The budgeted amount will include a second stipend shift position and reviewed as needed next year.

Chief Lemon reviewed the capital expenditures suppression items listed; Wildland Hose fittings, Hydrant Storz fittings, PPE structure and wildland gear and SCBA/Air Cylinders. Budgeted \$5000 for the live fire training props and funds for improvements at the facilities.

Discussed the replacement of station 71 phone system and estimated cost at \$4,800. The topic will be submitted on the agenda and discussed at the next regular meeting.

Chief Lemon reviewed the possible capital expenditure items for improvements to the facilities. Leaving \$5,000 for the intercom, pager speakers and doorbell on the list to do. Station 73 remodel bathroom and septic system. Chief Lemon reported we did not receive the grant for the generators for each station. We will include the purchase of pumps for station 71 and station 75. Discussed capital expenditures for a communication center at station 71 for an ICP disaster center. This will ensure we have phone lines and wireless access at the fire station when needed during these types of events.

Discussion took place on transferring \$127,000 to reserves.

Discussed the apparatus replacement scheduled for the next couple years and funds that will need to be committed for future purchases.

Discussed hose replacement and having spare to fulfill the complement when hose is out of service. We need to purchase supply hose lines for the brush trucks and tender. The Survey and Rating bureau requires the complement of hose on the engine to receive the rating.

Discussion took place regarding the hydrant repairs and City participating in those costs.

Discussed the purchasing of generators for each station and possible purchase of one a year.

Discussed the use of Chelan County Fire 1 helicopter under contract.

The workshop ended at 12:00




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Attest: Carol Kibler, Secretary