



REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

ITEM NO. 24

DATE OF MEETING: May 3, 2010

REQUESTED BY: Surf City Volunteer Fire Department and Charles R. "Tom" Collins,
Emergency Management

SHORT TITLE: Resolution Authorizing the Surf City Volunteer Fire Department to Exceed the Twenty-Five Percent Debt Limit to Purchase a New Fire Truck.

BACKGROUND: The Surf City Volunteer Fire Department is responsible for providing fire protection services in northeast Pender County. The current, second out fire engine for the department is a 1964 American LaFrance carrying 500 gallons of water with a 1000 gallon per minute pump. The department also utilizes a 2007 Pierce tanker carrying 2100 gallons of water with a 1250 gallon per minute pump and a 1999 Freightliner carrying 1000 gallons of water with a 1250 gallon per minute pump. These three pieces of apparatus also respond to automatic and mutual aid calls regularly in the Topsail, Sloop Point, Town of Surf City, and Holly Ridge Fire Districts. All current equipment will remain in use. This purchase will replace the 1964 American LaFrance pumper and aid response availability to protect the district. This purchase also will replace a 1984 Ford Service Truck.

SPECIFIC ACTION REQUESTED: The Board of Commissioners is requested to consider a resolution to allow the Surf City Volunteer Fire Department Fire Department to exceed the twenty-five percent (25%) debt load level within their budget to purchase a new 2010 Pierce Custom Pumper Fire truck at a purchase price of \$380,000.

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

Respectfully recommend approval.

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RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Pender County Board of Commissioners that:

the Surf City Volunteer Fire Department is allowed to exceed the 25% debt load level to purchase a new 2010 Pierce Custom Pumper Fire truck at a purchase price of \$380,000.

AMENDMENTS:

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____

APPROVED _____ DENIED _____ UNANIMOUS _____

YEA VOTES: Tate ___ Blanchard ___ Brown ___ Rivenbark ___ Williams ___

Jimmy T. Tate, Chairman 05/03/2010
Date

ATTEST 05/03/2010
Date