

RESOLUTION NO. 2122

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY ACCEPTING THE DONATION OF AN EMERGENCY RESPONSE VEHICLE AND COMPRESSOR UNIT FOR THE SALISBURY FIRE DEPARTMENT TO USE IN EFFORTS TO ENHANCE ITS CAPABILITIES IN PROVIDING THE EFFECTIVE AND EFFICIENT DELIVERY OF FIRE, RESCUE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AND, TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY AND THE SALISBURY FIRE DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, the members of the Salisbury Fire Department Inc., Company No.16 (Fire Station #16), seek to enhance the department's capabilities in the effective and efficient delivery of fire suppression, technical rescue, and emergency medical services; and,

WHEREAS, funds appropriated to the Volunteer Corporation have been committed for the purchase of an Emergency Response Vehicle (support apparatus) and Compressor Unit (to fill SCBA bottles) to be donated to the City of Salisbury for inclusion in its inventory of tools, equipment and apparatus; and,

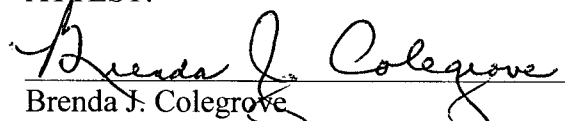
WHEREAS, both the Fire Chief and the Mayor have recommended that the City accept the donation of the tools, equipment and apparatus; and,

WHEREAS, the City's gift policy requires that such gifts can only be accepted with the approval of City Council,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Salisbury accepts the gift of an Emergency Response Vehicle and a Compressor Unit and expresses its sincere appreciation to the membership of the Salisbury Fire Department Inc., Company No.16 (Fire Station #16), for their generous gift that enables the Salisbury Fire Department to further enhance the effectiveness and efficiency in its delivery of fire, rescue and emergency medical services to the citizens of the City and the Salisbury Fire District.

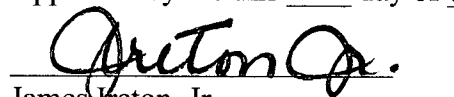
THE ABOVE RESOLUTION was introduced and duly passed at a meeting of the Council of the City of Salisbury, Maryland held on November 28, 2011, and is to become effective immediately upon adoption.

ATTEST:


Brenda J. Colegrove
CITY CLERK


Terry E. Cohen
PRESIDENT, CITY COUNCIL

Approved by me this 30th day of November, 2011


James Ireton, Jr.
MAYOR, CITY OF SALISBURY



*From the Office
of the Chief*

To: Mr. John Pick, City Administrator

Date: 11 October 2011

From: Jeff Simpson, Chief of the Department

Subject: Gifting Resolution Item (Emergency Response Vehicle & Compressor)

The Salisbury Fire Department Volunteer Corporation Inc., Station 16 has made a portion of their volunteer funds available to make a strategic purchase of two items: an emergency response vehicle and an automatic air compressor. The goal is to provide the department with an enhanced real-time emergency response and fixed breathing air replenishment capability that is not currently available with the existing fleet or Cypress St. facility. We would procure the new vehicle from the approved state vehicle contract and award a competitive bid for the compressor. We would not be adding to our fleet as we most recently removed two vehicles via surplus and eliminated all associated maintenance fees.

Today we operate with a single incident command vehicle (2005 Chevy Suburban) to coordinate emergency operations for the variety of complex events that we are called upon to mitigate. The emergency response vehicle (SUV) being requested provides added support for our command staff and allows multiple incidents in the city to be coordinated in a more efficient manner. It also allows the establishment of a mobile and/or fixed command post when multiple agencies (local, state and federal) are called upon to productively address medium to large scale emergency conditions. Currently the alternative is to operate with a 1997 Ford Crown Victoria with 145,000 miles and limited effectiveness.

The compressor gives us unlimited breathing air replacement capability at our largest fire station and training facility. Today we shuttle apparatus and bottles between fire stations which increases costs and magnifies inefficiency.

SFD would like to move forward with the acceptance of both the emergency response vehicle and the compressor and requests that the enclosed resolution be considered and approved for acceptance. The anticipated project total of \$55,000.00 will be provided through the volunteer funding mechanism (Amoss 508 account) for purchase of the unit.

Thank you in advance for your time and attention regarding this request.