RESOLUTION NO. 1840

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND ACCEPTING THE DONATION OF MISCELLANEOUS SELF CONTAINED UNDERWATER BREATHING APPARATUS EQUIPMENT FOR THE SALISBURY FIRE DEPARTMENT TO USE IN EFFORTS TO ENHANCE ITS CAPABILITIES IN PROVIDING THE EFFECTIVE AND EFFICIENT DELIVERY OF EMERGENCY DIVE RESCUE SERVICES AND, TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY AND THE SALISBURY FIRE DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, the Salisbury Fire Department seeks to enhance the department's capabilities in the effective and efficient delivery of emergency dive rescue services; and,

WHEREAS, funds appropriated to the Wicomico Emergency Management Agency (WEMA) from the United States Department of Homeland Security, have been used to purchase miscellaneous self contained underwater breathing apparatus equipment (see attached detailed list) to be donated to the City of Salisbury for inclusion in its inventory of tools and equipment; and,

WHEREAS, both the Fire Chief and the Mayor have recommended that the City graciously accept the donation of the tools and equipment; 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 City of Salisbury accepts this gift of firefighting tools and equipment as seen on the attached list and expresses its sincere appreciation to the United States Department of Homeland Security and WEMA for their generous gift of the tools and equipment that enable the Salisbury Fire Department to further enhance the effectiveness and efficiency in its delivery of emergency dive rescue 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 October 12, 2009, and is to become effective immediately upon adoption.

ATTEST:

Brenda J. Colegrove

CITY CLERK

Louise Smith

PRESIDENT, CITY COUNCIL

APPROVED BY ME THIS

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James Ireton, Jr.

MAYOR, CITY OF SALISBURY

Fire Department

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MEMO

To:

Acting Chief Hoppes

Date: 9/28/2009

From:

Lieutenant David A. Insley

Executive Officer, Special Operations

Subject:

WEMA Grant

Chief,

Several Months ago, in a collaborative effort, we were joined by the West Side Volunteer Fire Department in applying for upgraded dive equipment via funds through Wicomico Emergency Management. Today I was informed of our success and in receipt of the following equipment.

6(six) Interspiro Full Face SCUBA masks with intergraded communications

2 (two) Communication Boxes (allows communication between tender & 2 divers)

2 (two) 200 foot lengths of Blue communication rope

2 (two) 200 foot lengths of Yellow communication rope

3 (three) Rope Bags

The approximate cost of the above equipment is \$14,073.72 none of which is to be absorbed by the City of Salisbury. The value of the equipment is immeasurable due to the extra protection afforded to our divers. Contact me if I can be of any further assistance in this matter.

Fire Department

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City of Salisbury.

To: Mr. John Pick, City Administrator

Date: 30 September 2009

From: Richard A. Hoppes, Acting Fire Chief

Subject: Resolution / SCUBA Equipment (WEMA)

The department continues to participate in state and federal programs administered through the Wicomico County Emergency Management Agency (WEMA) in an effort to acquire tools and equipment. In this year's round of grant awards to the State of Maryland Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) given to WEMA, the department has acquired additional SCUBA equipment for its Dive Team that will be utilized to provide rescue operations as the need requires.

City policy requires that all financial and non-financial contributions and grants can only be accepted with the approval of the City Council. Therefore, attached you will find a resolution that when passed by the Council will authorize the acceptance of this non-financial contribution of equipment.

Should you require additional information please feel free to contact me immediately.

cc: File