

Newberry County Council
Public Safety Committee Agenda
Monday, February 6, 2023, 6:00 P.M.
Courthouse Annex Council Chambers
1309 College Street
Newberry, SC 29108

1. Call to Order - Todd Johnson, Chairman
2. Election of Committee Chair for 2023
3. Additions, Deletions, and Adoption of Agenda
4. Discussion of Fire Department Grant Reimbursement – Brandon Wicker, Emergency Services Coordinator
5. Public Comments
6. Comments/Requests from Committee
7. Adjournment

February 2, 2023

NOTES:

Finance Department

Requesting reimbursement:

Bush River Fire Department	\$ 2,116.00
Consolidated No. 5 Fire Department	5,000.00
Friendly Fire Department	4,122.00
Prosperity/Stoney Hill	4,798.00
St. Philips Fire Department	9,696.45**
Little Mountain Fire Department	1,251.00

Total \$ 26,983.45

**Per Tommy, they will be requesting \$9,696.45 for St. Philips. \$4,496.45 more than the grant match.

These funds have always been a line item in the budget. The amount was requested in FY 22-23 in the amount of \$20,000.00 but was not funded.

Total expended for FY21-22 was \$19,396.00.

Balance in One time capital as of 2-2-2023 - \$84,011.77

Balance in Contingency as of 2-2-2023 - \$111,599.71



2022 VOLUNTEER FIRE ASSISTANCE (VFA) GRANT
SC Forestry Commission
PO Box 21707
Columbia, SC 29221-1707



December 12, 2022

Little Mountain VFD
219 N. Boundary St.
Little Mountain, SC 29075

Dear Chief,

The SC Forestry Commission has received authorization to distribute matching federal funds to fire departments in South Carolina under the Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA) program through the USDA Forest Service.

Your department has been allocated \$1251.00. The VFA Grant is designed for purchasing equipment and supplies to meet wildland firefighting needs. The CFDA # for this VFA grant is 10.698. The FAIN number is 22-DG-I 1083145-006. You should keep these numbers for auditing purposes.

Receipts for equipment and supplies purchased must match that those indicated on your initial grant application (VFA Application Form 1- Grant Application) sent out in August 2022. The Fire Department's 50/50 match can consist of:

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Bush River VFD
320 Boyd Rd.
Newberry, SC 29108

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Your department has been allocated \$2116.00. The VFA Grant is designed for purchasing equipment and supplies to meet wildland firefighting needs. The CFDA # for this VFA grant is 10.698. The FAIN number is 22-DG-I 1083145-006. You should keep these numbers for auditing purposes.

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Consolidated VFD
3464 SC Hwy 34
Pomaria, SC 29126

Dear Chief,

The SC Forestry Commission has received authorization to distribute matching federal funds to fire departments in South Carolina under the Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA) program through the USDA Forest Service.

Your department has been allocated \$5000.00. The VFA Grant is designed for purchasing equipment and supplies to meet wildland firefighting needs. The CFDA # for this VFA grant is 10.698. The FAIN number is 22-DG-1 1083145-006. You should keep these numbers for auditing purposes.

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Friendly VFD
P.O. Box 1048
Newberry, SC 29108

Dear Chief,

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Your department has been allocated \$4122.00. The VFA Grant is designed for purchasing equipment and supplies to meet wildland firefighting needs. The CFDA # for this VFA grant is 10.698. The FAIN number is 22-DG-1 1083145-006. You should keep these numbers for auditing purposes.

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Prosperity/Stoney Hill
P.O. Box 361
Prosperity, SC 29127

Dear Chief,

The SC Forestry Commission has received authorization to distribute matching federal funds to fire departments in South Carolina under the Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA) program through the USDA Forest Service.

Your department has been allocated \$4798.00. The VFA Grant is designed for purchasing equipment and supplies to meet wildland firefighting needs. The CFDA # for this VFA grant is 10.698. The FAIN number is 22-DG-1 1083145-006. You should keep these numbers for auditing purposes.

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St Philips VFD
254 Walnut Grove Ln
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