Skagit County Fire Protection District No. 11 Emergency Commissioners Meeting May 20th, 2024

The Emergency Commissioners meeting for Skagit County Fire Protection District No. 11 was called to order at 6:00pm on May 20th, 2024, with the following in attendance:

Cherry Dennis, Commissioner Mark Tibbles, Commissioner Pat Cummings, Commissioner

Mike Noyes, District Chief Josh Hunter, Asst Chief

The Board of Commissioners of Skagit County Fire District #11 called a emergency meeting to discuss the immediate need to replace a Brush/Rescue truck.

Chief Noyes explained that the brush / rescue truck at Station 2 has had a major failure of the engine. The head gaskets on the 6.0 motor is not a repairable item. The solution is a total motor replacement at approx \$50,000 if we could find someone to do it. The current wait for this is looking at 90 to 180 days to order the motor and parts and then get it in the shop in the Seattle area to do the work. If we ordered a brand new unit today it would be 18 months out and over \$300,000.

This development of losing a brush truck just before what is supposed to be a high fire danger year may require a new route and solution to get a replacement online in the next 30 days and a solution for the next 10 years.

Chief has found an immediate replacement for 1124 for \$170,000. It is a lightly used rig that has the right motor and pump. The company that is selling it is very reliable. This would also allow us to push out a purchase for this replacement for 10 to 15 years and spend 1/2 to 1/3 less than budgeted for the same rig.

Commissioner Tibbles motioned to authorize the Fire Chief to pursue and purchase a new or used unit of like same and kind to have in service by July 1, 2024 and to spend up to \$200,000 base cost plus shipping and taxes to procure the unit before July 1, 2024, Commissioner Dennis seconded; motion carried.

Public Comment- None

Meeting Adjourned 6:14pm

APPROVED, ADOPTED, AND PASSED on this 10th day of June 2024.