

BOARD MEETING - September 16

Meeting Purpose

Conduct regular board meeting for Hugh F. Jackson Fire Department, discussing finances, equipment updates, and setting tax levy for FY 2025-26.

Key Takeaways

- Financial status: Operating fund at \$28,582.12, LGIP at \$79,066.10 (lower due to recent pumper purchases)
- Two new Seagrave pumpers acquired; one being tested at upcoming Chiefs Benevolence Fund Training Seminar
- Tax levy for FY 2025-26 set at 36.5 mils, generating ~\$1.7M in revenue

Topics

Financial Report

- Operating fund: \$28,582.12
- LGIP: \$79,066.10 (\$61,533 unrestricted)
- Taxes collected YTD: \$87,147; Calendar YTD: \$1.227M
- Recent withdrawals: \$180k (\$150k for pumpers, \$30k for payroll)
- Outstanding bills: Local Media (command module), physicals, insurance payments
- All loans and yearly payments up to date
- Expected bank balance ~\$250k once line of credit replenished

Equipment Updates

- Two Seagrave pumpers acquired
 - True two-stage pump with manual changeover
 - Twin turbo CAT engines, A-Rod front end
 - One being tested at Chiefs Benevolence Fund Training Seminar
- Exploring painting options for trucks
 - Local shops (e.g., Brown's Body Shop) declining due to retirement

- Considering factory repainting or specialized shops like Anderson Brothers

Tax Levy for FY 2025-26

- Total levy: 36.5 mils
- Breakdown:
 - 18 mils: Referendum millage (\$846,000)
 - 2.6 mils: CPI increase (\$122,200)
 - 12 mils: OSHA 2-in-2-out compliance (\$561,000)
 - 1.9 mils: Holston Station payment (\$88,000)
 - 2 mils: Reserve fund (\$94,000)
- Total estimated revenue: ~\$1.7M

Miscellaneous

- Potential meal preparation for Chapman High School football team (pending confirmation)
- Boat trailer donated to Boiling Springs Spartanburg FD

Next Steps

- Meet with bank representative to finalize line of credit (next morning)
- Continue process for overall loan, aiming to close by October 1st
- Prepare Seagrave pumper for Chiefs Benevolence Fund Training Seminar
- Finalize painting plans for new trucks
- Send tax levy resolution and supporting documents to county
- Enter executive session to discuss contractual matters