



Nags Head Fire Rescue

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To: Greg Sparks, Interim Town Manager
From: Randy Wells, Fire Chief
Date: December 31, 2020
RE: 2020 Assistance to Firefighter Grant - Request for Funds -

The 2020 Assistance to Firefighter Grant (AFG) program enrollment period opens January 04, 2021, and closes February 12, 2021. The AFG program is a 95/5 grant; 95% funding coming from the federal government and the 5% match from the applicant. The Town of Nags Head Fire Rescue has been successful in securing funding from this program for the previous two grant cycles. We have had support from the Board of Commissioners in seeking grant opportunities and would like to apply for this year's AFG.

The AFG will offer us an opportunity to replace our hydraulic rescue equipment with an updated and more reliable version. These new tools will modernize our rescue equipment to a battery-powered version capable of functioning independently from a power source. These tools will use a renewable energy source. Helping us to support the Town of Nags Head's goal of reducing our carbon footprint. We believe that upgrading to this newer technology will allow us to increase our performance and provide the citizens and visitors with better outcomes.

We estimate that the total cost to replace this equipment will be; \$155,515.00. If we are successful in securing another AFG it will significantly reduce this cost. The approximate breakdown for the project:

95% Federal Share - \$ 148,109.52

5% Town of Nags Head match- \$ 7,405.48

This project does not currently exist in the fire department's requested CIP Capital Budget, I am asking that I be permitted to pursue this opportunity and add it to the department's CIP for 2021.