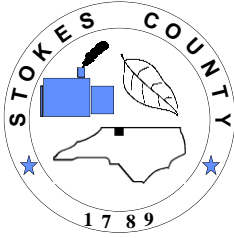


Stokes County Fire Protection Service District



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DATE: March 8, 2022

TO: Stokes County Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Steven Roberson, Chairperson, Stokes County Fire Commission

RE: Budget Amendment Request for ESO Funding

Chairperson Cox and County Commissioners,

Fire Marshal Scott Aaron, or his representative on behalf of the Stokes County Fire Commission, will be presenting a request for a budget amendment from the existing service district fund balance to purchase new reporting software. I apologize that I could not attend but I had a prior commitment. All fire departments in North Carolina are required to submit their incident reports electronically per the NCGS and NC Administrative code. Stokes County fire departments have been using Firehouse software to for compliance with this requirement for over 15 years. Late last year fire departments were notified Firehouse software has been bought out and will no longer be supported after December 31st 2022. After researching different fire reporting software companies Stokes County fire departments, via SCFRA vote have selected ESO software.

ESO was selected for several reasons. EMS currently uses this company for their medical reports, county IT is familiar with ESO which should allow the CAD interface feature to transition smoothly, and they are providing a discount if we will agree to an "all-county fire department" purchase.

The Fire Commission is recommending the County Commissioners approve the fund balance transfer to SCFRA as the single payer, which is a requirement for the group purchase. After this initial purchase, the Fire Commission is requesting the County Commissioners consider funding this bulk software fee annually through the SCFRA budget.

Thank you

Steven Roberson
Stokes County Fire Commission Chairperson