

# REQUEST FOR SUPPORT

## EMVFC

The EMVFC has evaluated anticipated expenditures over the next 10-15 years in an effort to both understand the financial requirements that are facing us and to efficiently allocate resources to achieve the goal of maintaining high quality and high responsive services to our primary response area for Fire, Rescue and EMS services. Provided along with this document are a cost and time list spread sheet of anticipated expenditures.

The first substantial expenditure will be for a **new building** to house the trucks we operate. Since new trucks are taller than existing trucks, the current building will not suffice. A building with the capability for 14 foot high doors will be required. We have contracted with an Architect, who has prepared preliminary sketches of what that facility might look like and what a preliminary cost would be. Their estimate is over \$1 million – about \$1.1 million.

It is the EMVFC's intent to apply for a grant to assist in meeting these costs. We do not have the ability to fund the entire cost of the building and emptying the saving fund will also make it nearly impossible to afford to replace the Tanker and Engine which are both very near the end of their useful life. The grant program is a PA program known as the LSA or Local Share Account – which is funded by gambling revenues. Decisions on awards are coordinated through Senator Yaws office.

We need the assistance of the Borough Council because the Fire Company is not eligible to apply for the grant, but the Borough Council is. While the Council applies for the funds, the building will be owned and maintained by the Fire Company. This is how the grant program is set-up. The EMVFC is asking the Borough to agree to apply for funds through this grant program, and we are willing to provide the effort to create the grant package. We also expect to provide substantial funds from our savings to partially offset the costs and we may also initiate fund raising efforts. The grant application is due by November 30, and your earliest agreement to embark on this effort would be greatly appreciated.

Thank You

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