

Public Services Committee

Meeting Agenda

August 28, 2023 4:30 p.m.

Fillmore Conference Room – Thurber Community Building

1. August 28, 2023/4:30 p.m. Fillmore Conference Room -Thurber Community Building.
2. Fire Dept.
 - A. SCBA Replacement
 - B. Tanker Improvements

The Public Services Committee did not meet on Monday, July 24, 2023.

Julie Elder

From: Joel Young
Sent: Monday, August 21, 2023 7:33 AM
To: Julie Elder
Subject: FW: Public service meeting

Hi Julie, Could you print the following email and send it to me, please? Thanks! Joel

From: Chatfield Fire Chief <chatfiredept@ci.chatfield.mn.us>
Sent: Friday, August 18, 2023 2:42 PM
To: Joel Young <JYoung@ci.chatfield.mn.us>
Subject: Public service meeting

Need to get on public service meeting to discuss our future with our SCBA's. Olmsted county is applying for the AFG grant to supply new SCBA's to all of Olmsted county fire departments, if grant goes through we will need to pay for 25% of the cost, right now that equates to roughly \$42,000. This has become a very high priority for Chatfield Fire as we have been made aware that our SCBA's are no longer manufactured, and support for them is very slim. We have one that is waiting to be repaired, with little hope this is going to actually happen. Essentially if the grant doesn't happen I would like to move forward with replacing our existing SCBA's. This would be earlier than we would have planned but I can only allow so many to fail before we need to act. The whole cost of replacement is roughly \$175,000.

I have a recommendation to hire Drew Hurley as a new fire fighter, he will be replacing a member leaving in October.

The Kenworth tanker is due for updates in 2024, we plan on keeping this budget to a minimum, the truck is in great shape and needs very few updates. The city has planned for roughly \$95000 on upgrading this truck, we will be getting some bids to replace the tires, adding an additional drop tank and holder, and adding auto chains for winter. We feel our money's are better spent on new SCBA's and future pumper trucks, since it appears inflation has had a toll on the cost of new trucks.

Thanks
Fire Chief
Luke Thieke

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