

A vote to increase the fire dues in the BLFD coverage area from 150.00 to 200.00 per year.

YES, POSSIBLE FUNDING OPTIONS FOR 2024

Once funds are available, estimated in May 2024.

Hire 2 additional part time - FF/EMT's for 12 hr shifts 8AM - 8PM. Providing additional coverage and fire suppression efforts in the initial response areas and qualified EMS Personnel for added manpower on EMS scenes.

Fund a part time administrative assistant position. Liaison - point of contact for the public, board, and Fire Chief. Provide quality control for the fire department system reporting, grant writing, and day to day operations.

Become cash positive quicker with a reserve fund and operate without a line of credit.

EQUIPMENT NEEDS:

- Updated Thermal Imaging Camera - Used for location of victims, hidden fires, and used in overhaul at structure fires finding hot spots.
- 4 gas monitor - Used for Carbon Monoxide checks on residential homes for occupants and fire scenes along with any other IDLH - Immediate Dangerous to Life or Health - environments that we encounter.
- Engine 1213 upgrades - Fire hose, hand tools, updated maintenance needed to be adequately ready to go in service.
- E-Tools: Combination Extrication tools - Auto extrication tools simplified to one tool instead multiple. With the topography of BLFD having E-Tool capabilities without having multiple components to carry to the site of the emergency, helps with time, manpower and patient care.

NO, PROJECTED LOOK INTO 2024

- Continue to staff operations at current levels; see graphic showing typical staffing at current budget. These levels are very similar to how BLFD was staffed in 2021 and prior.
- Day shifts will be covered 100%.
- 2/3 of the night shifts will continue to be unstaffed except by live-ins.
- BLFD revenue will remain at \$385,000 from annual dues at the \$150.00 fee level.
- It will take longer to build recommended Reserve Funding necessary to operate without a line of credit and be cash positive throughout the year.

For additional information, please see our FAQ - Frequently Asked Questions page.



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