

FORSYTH COUNTY

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: NOVEMBER 9, 2015

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: 7

**SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2015-2016 BUDGET ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE A PORTION OF FIRE TAX DISTRICT FUND BALANCE TO THE PINEY GROVE VOLUNTEER FIRE AND RESCUE DEPARTMENT, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF A PUMPER TANKER APPARATUS AND THE REPLACEMENT OF OTHER EQUIPMENT
(EMERGENCY SERVICES DEPARTMENT)**

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION OR COMMENTS: Recommend Approval

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION:

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The Piney Grove Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department, Inc. is due for a full inspection by the Office of State Fire Marshall in 2016 and the Department believes it needs the pumper tanker apparatus now in order to adjust operating methods, allow for training, and increase proficiency in operations to be prepared for the inspection. Additionally, subsequent to the adoption of the FY16 budget, The Piney Grove Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department, Inc. suffered equipment failures to ladders and hoses which were not foreseen during the budget process.

This amendment has no effect on the County's General Fund balance as it appropriates Fire Tax District Fund Balance to The Piney Grove Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department, Inc. The Department has sufficient fund balance available for this request.

ATTACHMENTS: yes no

SIGNATURE: *J. Dudley Watts Jr. / Km H*
COUNTY MANAGER

DATE: November 3, 2015

**FORSYTH COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
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2015-2016 BUDGET ORDINANCE**

FROM: BUDGET & MANAGEMENT

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE FORSYTH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS THAT THE FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 BUDGET ORDINANCE IS HEREBY AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

INCREASE:	<u>SECTION 7. (4) TAX LEVIES FOR FIRE & FIRE/RESCUE PROTECTION DISTRICT</u> PINEY GROVE - FUND BALANCE	<u>\$65,621</u>
INCREASE:	<u>SECTION 7. (5) TAX LEVIES FOR FIRE & FIRE/RESCUE PROTECTION DISTRICT</u> PINEY GROVE - TOTAL APPROPRIATION	<u>\$65,621</u>

NATURE OF TRANSACTION:

Additional Revenue Available

Transfer within Accounts of Same fund

Other: Appropriation of Fund Balance

APPROVED BY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND ENTERED ON MINUTES DATED _____

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