



Village Fire Department

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Budget Amendment 2026-01

To: Gerardo Barrera City of Bunker Hill Village
 Wendy Baimbridge City of Hedwig Village
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 Tom Fullen City of Hunters Creek Village
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 John McDonald City of Spring Valley Village

Cc: Board of Commissioners, Alternates, Village Fire Department
 & Fire Chief Brian Croft

From: Amy Buckert Village Fire Department

Date: January 28, 2026

Re: Budget Amendment 2026-01

During the regular monthly Village Fire Department Board Meeting on January 28, 2026, the Village Fire Department Board of Commissioners unanimously approved a budget amendment to fund the blocker apparatus (Exhibit A) and rescue boat (Exhibit B). The Village Fire Department Board of Commissioners is requesting that the member Cities approve a 2026 budget amendment in an amount not to exceed \$85,000 to facilitate the purchases. This budget amendment will not result in an additional assessment to the member Cities in 2026.

The improvements and purchases are as follows:

- Blocker Apparatus \$70,000
- Rescue Boat \$15,000
- Total \$85,000**

The total requested is divided among each city as listed:

Bunker Hill	19.00%	\$16,150.00
Hedwig	18.50%	\$15,725.00
Hilshire	3.00%	\$2,550.00
Hunters Creek	22.25%	\$18,912.50
Piney Point	21.00%	\$17,850.00
Spring Valley	16.25%	\$13,812.50
Total	100%	\$85,000.00

The total budget amendment of \$85,000.00 will be funded by the 2025 Village Fire Department budget surplus in an amount not to exceed \$85,000. These purchases will be funded out of the Capital Replacement Fund, which will then be reimbursed by the 2025 surplus.

Please put these budget amendments on your earliest agenda for consideration and advise us of your council's action in writing.

Exhibit A:

Blocker Apparatus

The following option is presented not only as a blocker apparatus for motor vehicle accidents but to be used as a multi-purpose vehicle. This model and buildout will allow the fire department to expand our operations during natural disasters. The apparatus will be used for high water rescues during floods and will assist in debris removal with the heavy-duty winch installed. Modifications will be made to outfit the apparatus with a large flat bed with rails to assist in moving citizens to safety. Emergency lights and sirens will be installed upon arrival.

The truck requested in the amendment is a 2002 Stewart & Stevenson M1088A1 MTV 5 ton 6x6.

The photo is the actual truck prior to modifications shown in the computer rendering.

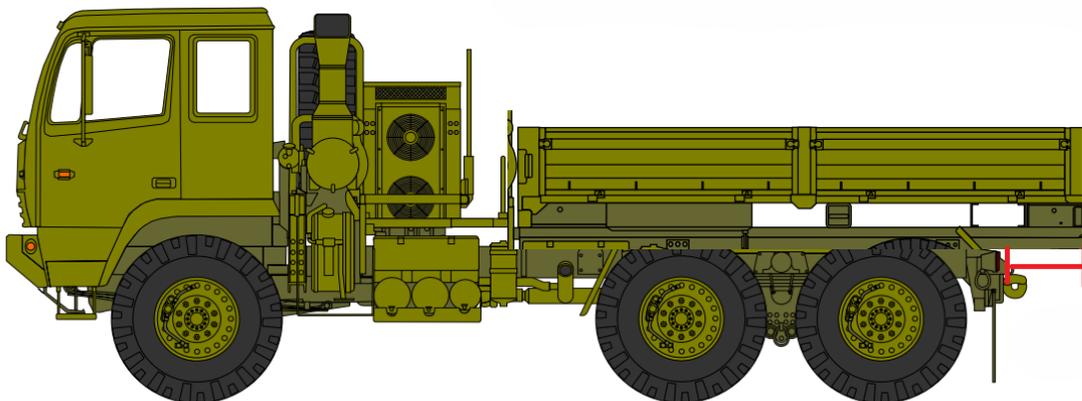


Exhibit B:

Rescue Boat

Our current rescue has been out of service due to unreparable damage. The requested boat is a 14-foot Rescue boat with a 40HP motor to allow for proper rescue of citizens during a flood event and bayou rescue. Below are the boat and motor being requested. This current model matches the standard being used by other agencies including Texas Search and Rescue.

