

STATE OF ALABAMA)
COUNTY OF BALDWIN)

**RESOLUTION # 2025-080
OF THE
BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSION**

**AS REQUIRED BY ACT NO. 90-449, PROVIDING FOR A DETERMINATION
BY THE BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSION RELATING TO A REQUEST FROM
THE WHITE HOUSE FORK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT.**

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that Act No. 90-449, 1990 Regular Session [Acts 1990, Vol. 1, p. 634] provided for a levy of a 1½ mill tax on all property located in Baldwin County, Alabama, to be distributed among qualified fire departments in Baldwin County, Alabama, based upon the outcome of a referendum election; and

WHEREAS, the required and aforesaid referenced referendum election was held on June 26, 1990, wherefore a majority of the qualified electors, voting at such election and in Baldwin County, Alabama, voted for said tax; and

WHEREAS, within Act No. 90-449, Section 3 provides as follows:

“Section 3. (a) Fire departments which participate in the distribution of tax proceeds shall expend such funds only for the acquisition of fire trucks, fire stations, fire equipment, communications, fire training, fire vehicle and station insurance, oil, gas, hydrants, utilities, and vehicle or station repair. Such funds shall not be used to pay salaries, purchase food or drink, or to hold fund raising projects.

“(b) Any exceptions to the above spending guidelines must be approved by the Baldwin County Fire Chiefs Association and the Baldwin County Commission.”

; and

WHEREAS, the White House Fork Volunteer Fire Department is duly incorporated under the laws of the State of Alabama and remains qualified to receive proceeds derived from Act No. 90-449 and, furthermore, has presented a written request (attached hereto as **Exhibit “A”**) for the consideration of the Baldwin County Commission to approve the utilization of its proceeds of said taxes as security for repayment of a loan not to exceed \$597,577.00 (and the repayment of said loan’s applicable interest) for the purchase of one (1) Rosenbauer Pumper, complete with Freightliner Chassis (Stock #19060) at a cost of \$597,577.00; and


WHEREAS, this honorable county governing body, pursuant to Act No. 90-449, has reviewed the aforementioned written request, as well as the accompanying instrument indicating

the required approval of the Baldwin County Fire Chiefs' Association related to the same (attached hereto as **Exhibit "B"**), and finds that such remains an exception to the spending guidelines set forth in said Act No. 90-449 and seeks to provide its approval to said spending exception; now therefore


BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSION, IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, that the White House Fork Volunteer Fire Department is hereby authorized to use its proceeds of taxes derived by Act No. 90-449 as security for repayment of a loan not to exceed \$597,577.00 (and the repayment of said loan's applicable interest) for the purchase of one (1) Rosenbauer Pumper, complete with Freightliner Chassis (Stock #19060) at a cost of \$597,577.00; and

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, that this instrument, codified as *Resolution #2025-080 of the Baldwin County Commission*, shall in no way obligate the Baldwin County Commission as to the loan sought by the White House Fork Volunteer Fire Department as hereinabove referenced, or any loan, sought or secured by the White House Fork Volunteer Fire Department.

DONE, under the Seal of Baldwin County, Alabama, as affixed on this the 18th day of February 2025.


Commissioner Matthew P. McKenzie, Chairman

ATTEST:


Roger H. Rendleman, County Administrator





WHITE HOUSE FORK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
% 39607 County Road 39
Bay Minette, AL 36507

Jeffery Johnson, Chief
William Robertson, Deputy Chief

William J. Jackson, Jr., Sec./Treas

911 Dispatched

05 February 2025

Baldwin County Commission

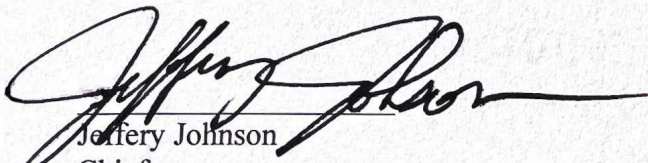
Dear Sirs:

Pursuit to Act Number 90-449 of the 1990 Legislature, the White House Fork Volunteer Department, Inc, respectfully requests your approval to borrow funds for the purchase of a new fire truck to be located at 11014 White House Fork Rd. Ext. (County Road 40), Bay Minette, AL 36507. This new Pumper will replace one that is 25+ years old and is no longer practical to maintain. Due to the credit worthiness of the department, we have secured a one hundred percent (100%) finance package, The total loan to be \$597,577.00. The loan will be for ten (10) years with annual payments. The payment schedule is set to correspond with the Ad Valorum Fire Department distributions. We request Commission approval to allow us to use these funds to for the loan repayment. If our cashflow remains constant, we expect to have the loan fully paid in less than five (5) years. These funds will be used to purchase one (1) Rosenbauer Pumper, complete with Freightliner Chassis. Stock # 19060.

This new Pumper with its newer and enhanced features will improve our ability to mitigate structure fires not only in the White House Fork Community, but also in our mutual aide areas of Crossroads, Stapleton and Bay Minette,

On behalf of the White House Fork Volunteer Fire Department and the community of White House Fork (a Landmark District), we would like to thank you, in advance, for your support and consideration in the matter.

Sincerely,


Jeffery Johnson
Chief



Baldwin County Fire Chiefs' Association
established 1969

RESOLUTION

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT WHEREAS, Act No. 90-449 of the 1990 Legislature provides for a levy of a one and one-half mill tax on all property located in Baldwin County, Alabama, to be distributed among qualified fire departments in the county, and

WHEREAS, said Act provides as follows:

“(a) Fire departments which participate in the distribution of the tax proceeds shall expend such funds only for the acquisition of fire trucks, fire stations, fire equipment communications, fire training, fire vehicle and station insurance, oil, gas, hydrants, utilities, and vehicle or station repair. Such funds shall not be used to pay salaries, purchase food and drink, or to hold fund raising projects.”

“(b) Any exception to the above spending guidelines must be approved by the Baldwin County Fire Chiefs' Association and the Baldwin County Commission.”

AND, WHEREAS, Baldwin County Fire Departments are duly incorporated under the laws of this State and qualified pursuant to Section 9-13-17, Code of Alabama, 1975, has presented an application for approval by the Baldwin County Fire Chiefs' Association to use proceeds of the taxes derived from Act 90-449 for the acquisition of equipment, property or services as set forth in said act and to pledge said taxes as security for repayment of a loan to acquire said properties;


NOW, THEREFORE, to be resolved by the Baldwin County Fire Chiefs' Association, that Baldwin County Fire Departments in good standing be, and is hereby, authorized to purchase the equipment and or properties set forth in said application and to pledge the proceeds from Act 90-449 for repayment of the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have hereunto set their hands and affixed the official seal of the Baldwin County Fire Chiefs' Association.

Approved at the regular monthly meeting held on January 9, 2025 located at Baldwin County 9-1-1, 911 Telecommunicator Circle, Robertsdale, AL 36567

ATTEST:

BALDWIN COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS'
ASSOCIATION



BY: 



Baldwin County Fire Chiefs' Association
established 1969

White House Fork Volunteer Fire Department

Approved to Finance

2024 Rosenbauer 1,500 GPM Pumper Truck, Stock #19060

Execution of this document in no way creates liability on the part of the Baldwin County Fire Chiefs Association or the Baldwin County Commission or Baldwin County and said parties are not responsible for the repayment of any bonds issued pursuant hereto.