

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Request to Purchase Demo Rescue Equipment

DATE OF MEETING: December 11, 2018

BUDGET IMPACT: \$55,000.00

FUNDING SOURCE

(X) Annual

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() N/A

Work Session (X)
Regular Meeting (X)
Recommendation ()
Policy/Discussion ()
Report ()
Other ()

COUNTY ACTION REQUESTED ON: Request to Purchase Demo Rescue Equipment

HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES: Over the last 2 years Lowndes County Fire Rescue currently has purchased 4 sets of like new, demo sets of extrication equipment. The sets requested with this pricing proposal will provide us with a total of 6 sets of extrication tools, all with 3 years of wear or less. Each of these sets are battery powered units which are lighter, easier to operate, more quickly deployable and less costly to maintain. This purchase will also allow us to fully standardize our equipment department wide which makes training and operation on emergency scenes much easier as everyone will be accustomed to using the same tools. Since the first set was originally purchased, they have been utilized in extrication situations on several occasions and received high praise from the firefighters due to the ease of use, strength of the tools and the increased efficiency with which they are able to operate. By purchasing these demo sets, we will save approximately 35% over the cost of the same equipment new. Both sets of tools are classified as demo sets but have been used very little.

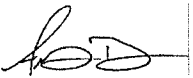
In addition to the extrication tools the attached pricing proposal also includes a set of air operated lifting bags. These lifting bags will replace the air bag system we currently have in service which has reached the end of its useful life and needs to be taken out of service. The equipment will be purchased from Municipal Equipment Services, who is the sole authorized Hurst dealer in the State of Georgia.

OPTIONS: 1. Authorize the purchase demo extrication in the amount of \$55,000.
2. Board's Pleasure.

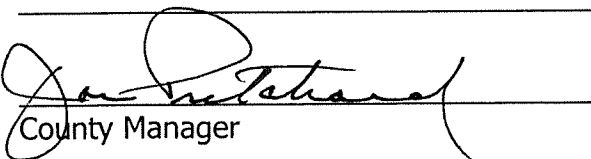
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Option 1.

DEPARTMENT: Fire Rescue

Department Head: Ashley Tye



ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATION:


County Manager

Action Taken By Board: _____