



Agenda Item Summary

File #: 25-00233

Agenda Date: 4/8/2025

Agenda Item Name:

Request to donate surplus self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) equipment to Loftan High School, City of High Springs Fire Department, and City of Newberry Fire Department

Presenter:

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Description:

Resolution authorizing the donation of SCBA equipment to Loftan High School, City of High Springs Fire Department, and City of Newberry Fire Department

Recommended Action:

Adopt the Resolution authorizing the donation of surplus SCBA equipment to Loftan High School, City of High Springs Fire Department, and City of Newberry Fire Department

Prior Board Motions:

N/A

Fiscal Note:

N/A

Strategic Guide:

Public Safety

Background:

Alachua County Fire Rescue recently replaced its SCBA system. The old SCBA equipment remains functional and can be used for training purposes and as spare parts for maintenance.

Loftan High School has requested a donation of the old SCBAs to help students at their training academy become familiar with the equipment in a controlled setting, providing valuable hands-on experience. There are seventeen (17) air packs and seventeen (17) bottles available for Loftan High School. The City of High Springs has requested (20) voice amplifiers to improve communication among team members during emergency responses, ensuring clearer and more effective coordination. Additionally, the City of Newberry has requested eight (8) air packs and twelve (12) bottles to serve as spare units while they transition to a new SCBA system.

A resolution is required to officially declare these items surplus and authorize their donation to the requesting agencies.