

NEWMAN LAKE FIRE & RESCUE
Spokane County Fire District No. 13
 Minutes for November 16, 2021
PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Fire Commissioners of Spokane County Fire Protection District No. 13 met on November 16, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at Station No. 1, 9324 N Starr Rd., Newman Lake, Washington.

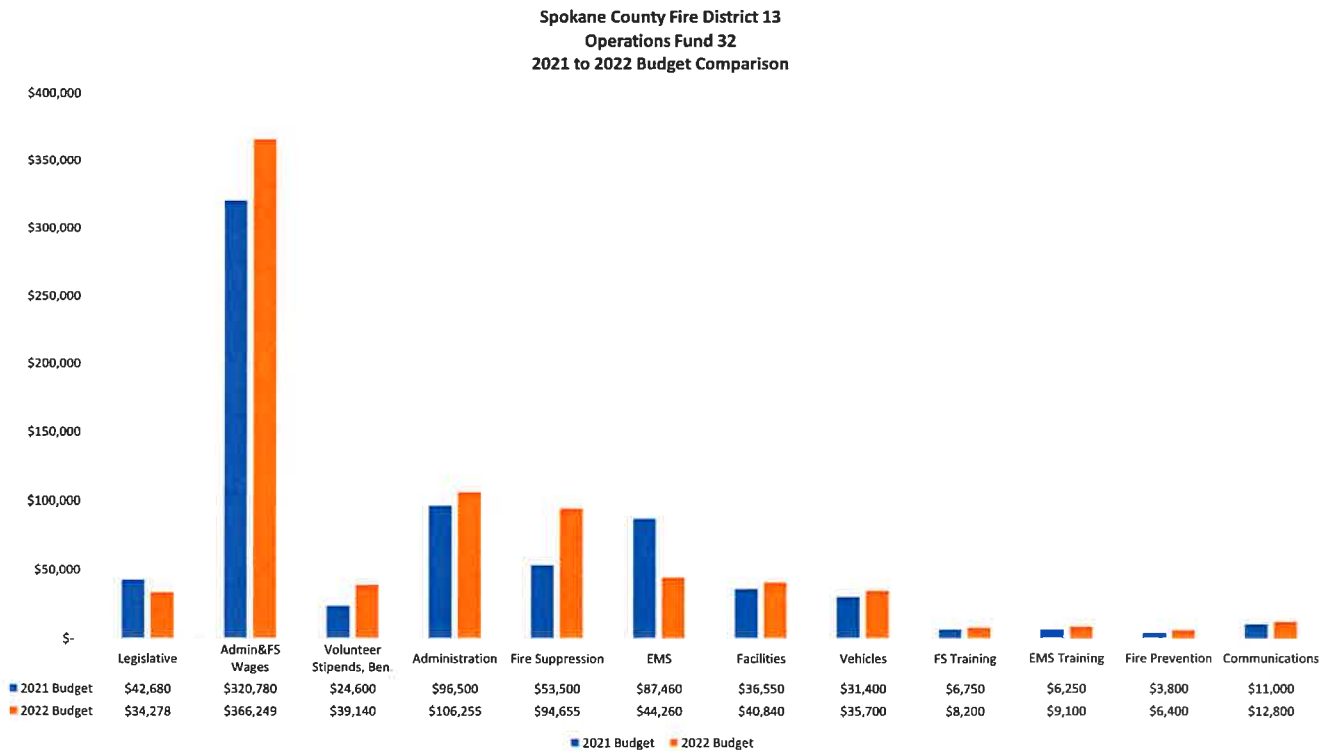
ROLL CALL

Board: Commissioners Eileen Weyrauch and Teresa Phelps; Commissioner Ben Kaiser participated remotely via GoToMeeting.

Others Present: Secretary Robin Harbin; Chief Stan Cooke participated remotely via GoToMeeting.

2022 BUDGET FINAL READING

Secretary Harbin reviewed proposed changes in the Operating Fund (F32) budget, comparing 2021 to 2022 as displayed in the following chart:



Robin explained the proposed budget increases and decreases for each category:

- **Legislative** – Analysis of expenses over past 5 years justify budget decrease.
- **Admin & Fire Service Stipends/Benefits** – Allows for additional shift volunteers and a new chief.
- **Volunteer Stipends, Benefits** – Covers expenses for new shift volunteers, annual stipends, physicals
- **Administration** – New computers needed to handle Windows 11, audit expense, increase in insurance and software expenses.
- **Fire Suppression** – Hoses, nozzles, and equipment; gear & masks; uniforms.
- **EMS** – CARES Act Grant not a part of the 2022 budget as it was in 2021.

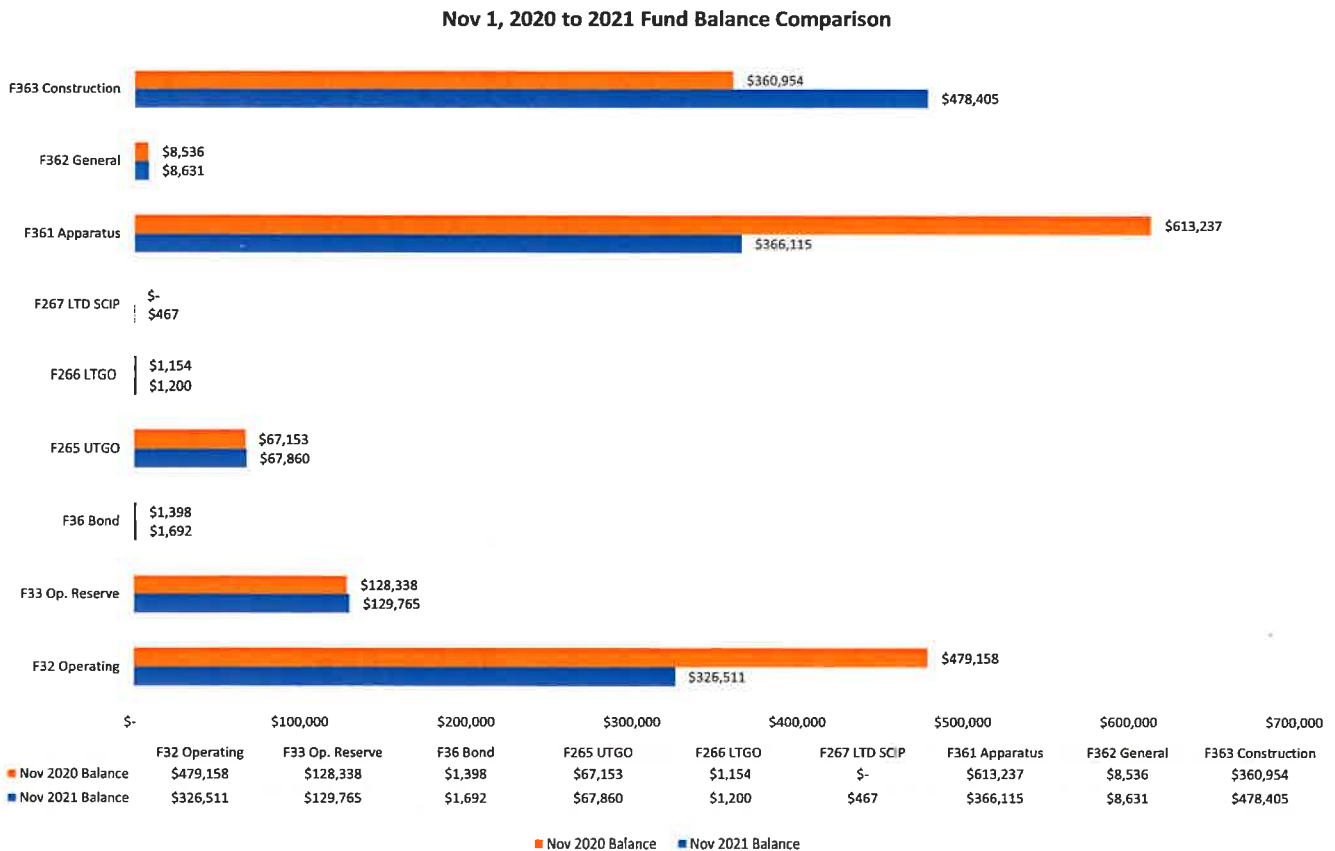
- **Facilities** – Increase for custodial supplies, utilities increase, Station 1/Annex supplies, equipment, and maintenance.
- **Vehicles** – Additional vehicle maintenance, fuel expense, supplies
- **FS Training** – Burn building training and supplies
- **EMS Training** – EMS Captain to annual conference
- **Fire Prevention** – Tools, equipment, materials for mapping and addressing
- **Communications** – Pagers, radio holsters, SREC

Fund 61 Apparatus - \$120,000 has been budgeted to retrofit the brush trucks in 2022.

Fund 63 Construction - \$50,000 has been budgeted for remaining construction costs to be paid in 2022.

2022 BUDGET HEARING

- 2022 Budget** – Robin presented and explained the following graph comparing fund balances from November 1, 2020 to November 1, 2021:



- **F63 Construction** – Increase reflects \$300,000 LTD SCIP loan and transfer in of proceeds from the sale of the old station.
- **F61 Apparatus** – Paid second half plus tax owed on new Tender 13-4; purchased and equipped two new medic trucks, Squad 13-1 & Squad 13-4.
- **F32 Operating** – Transferred proceeds from the sale of the old station to F63 Construction.

2022 BUDGET APPROVAL

- General Levy Resolution 2021-8**

The district's actual levy amount for 2021 was \$514,888.19; an increase in the regular property tax levy of \$11,724.85 to be collected in 2022, a 2.277164% increase from the previous year.

Commissioner Kaiser motioned to approve Resolution 2021-8; Commissioner Phelps seconded; Chair Weyrauch called for the vote, with passed unanimously.

b. EMS Levy Resolution 2021-9

The district's actual EMS levy amount for 2021 was \$212,492.13; an increase in the EMS tax levy of \$5,590.00 to be collected in 2022, a 2.630686% increase from the previous year.

Commissioner Phelps motioned to approve Resolution 2021-9; Commissioner Kaiser seconded; Chair Weyrauch called for the vote, with passed unanimously.

c. 2022 Budget Approval

Commissioner Phelps motioned to approve the 2022 Budget; Commissioner Kaiser seconded; Chair Weyrauch called for the vote, with passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:16 p.m.



Eileen Weyrauch, Chairperson

12-15-21

Date



Robin Harbin, District Secretary

12-15-21

Date