



Board of Supervisors Memorandum

April 7, 2015

Donation of Surplus Equipment

Background

The attached March 9, 2015 memorandum from Fleet Services Director Frank Samaniego informs of recent requests from the Elephant Head Volunteer Fire Department (EHVFD) and the Mescal Volunteer Fire Department (MVFD) to obtain surplus water trucks owned by Pima County. As noted in this memorandum, these water trucks are 18 and 29 years old, respectively, and both have relatively high mileage. The current inventory within our Public Works Departments for this type of equipment is satisfactory to our needs; thus, these water trucks are determined to be surplus equipment.

Our typical method for disposition of such surplus vehicles or equipment is to auction them. Our estimate of auction value for these two water trucks ranges from \$5,000 to \$8,750 each.

In consultation with the County Attorney's Office, we have determined the Board of Supervisors may sell surplus property to government entities or charitable organizations for less than fair market value upon a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors. Given the nominal value of this surplus equipment to the County and the important public safety services provided by the EHVFD and MVFD, I believe it is appropriate to sell the two surplus water trucks for \$100 each; one to each volunteer fire department.

Recommendation

I recommend the Board of Supervisors authorize the Fleet Services Department to sell surplus vehicles PN 060102, 1986 International Water Truck, and PN 088460, 1997 Volvo Water Truck, for \$100 each to the Elephant Head Volunteer Fire Department and the Mescal Volunteer Fire Department.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C.H. Huckelberry".

C.H. Huckelberry
County Administrator

CHH/mjk – March 20, 2015

Attachment

c: John Bernal, Deputy County Administrator for Public Works
Frank Samaniego, Director, Fleet Services Department



MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 9, 2015

TO: John M. Bernal
Deputy County Administrator – Public Works

FROM: Frank Samaniego, Director
Fleet Services Department

RE: Donations of Surplus Equipment

Pima County currently has two surplus water trucks:

- 1.) PN 060102, 1986 International Water Truck 190,230 miles
- 2.) PN 088460, 1997 Volvo Water Truck 214,000 miles

The Fleet Services Department (FSD) considers these water trucks to be surplus. These trucks are old with an average of mileage of 202,115. The FSD Supervisor responsible for the County vehicle and equipment auctions estimates the value of these trucks to be approximately \$5,000 - \$8,750 each based on previous auction data.

I have received inquiries from the Board of Supervisors District 3 on behalf of the Elephant Head Volunteer Fire Department and directly from the Mescal Volunteer Fire Department. It has always been a practice of FSD that when we receive an inquiry the first thing we do is allow the interested party to inspect the equipment desired. We do this because in the past we have had the requesting agencies go through the entire process of obtaining a surplus piece of equipment to find out in the end the equipment was not in the condition they were seeking.

As of last week both of the Fire Departments have reviewed the equipment. I have not heard back if they still desire to move forward in the process.

I am requesting direction as how to proceed.

Cc: Ray Ochotorena, Deputy Director, Fleet Services Department