Foothills Fire Service Area Post Office Box 231 Landrum, South Carolina 29356



July 26, 2023

John Hansley, Greenville Deputy County Administrator 301 University Ridge Greenville, SC 29601-3660

Dear Mr. Hansley:

Upon receiving the July 2023, KREZ435 tax data for the Foothills Fire Service Area, (FFSA), the amount required to be paid to the Town of Tryon, NC, for this year by contract⁽¹⁾ is \$117,797 which the commissioners rounded to \$118,000. The entity amount projected income is \$99,699 for this coming year with a millage of 19.9. FFSA did collect \$107,162 from taxes and interest this last year.

After considering the above incomes and today's financial status the commissioners agreed to raise the millage to 20.5

Using the adjusted collectable levy and a millage of 20.5, FFSA is projected to receive \$102,724 from taxes and \$3000 from interest. The total projected income with interest will be \$105,727.

As of June 30, 2023, FFSA has a reserve fund of \$94,759 and the commissioner's agreed to make-up the difference with the reserve fund from the deficit.

Funds Required	
Tryon Fire Department, (TFD)	\$118,000
FFSA Administrative Expenses	\$2,210
Total	\$120,210
Income	
Estimated Taxes collections	\$102,724
Other income	\$3,000
Subtotal	\$105,724
Difference collected from reserve fund	14,486
Total	\$120,210

This budget was approved by 4 of the 4 commissioners on July 25, 2023.

These \$118,000 in funds are to be distributed to the Town of Tryon, NC, in the amounts of \$29,500 in 4 quarterly increments on the last business day or earlier of September, December, March, and June of that fiscal year⁽¹⁾. The \$2,210 is to be mailed to the FFSA. Please let me know if you need any further information.

The main reason for the increase in the amount given to the TFD is that Polk County, NC passed a 1 cent per \$100 property tax increase for the fire department.

Very truly yours,

Richard Locke

Richard Locke, Chair Commissioner, Foothills Fire Service Area

Joey Russo, Greenville County Council. Jill Kinitigh, Greenville County Treasurer. Scott Case, Greenville County Auditor. Mark Tollison, Greenville County Attorney.

Note (1): Contract between Greenville County, SC and Town of Tryon, NC.