

**TOWN OF GRIFFITH, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA  
TOWN COUNCIL**

**RESOLUTION NO.: 2022-08**

**A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THE EMERGENCY  
PURCHASE OF A USED FIRE TRUCK FOR THE FIRE  
DEPARTMENT IN THE TOWN OF GRIFFITH, LAKE COUNTY,  
INDIANA, AND ALL RELATED MATTERS.**

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council of the Town of Griffith, Lake County, Indiana, is a duly organized and established entity established by enabling Ordinance of the Town of Griffith, Lake County, Indiana, authorized and empowered by statutory authority to purchase, hold, and convey any interest in property, for the use of the town; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council of the Town of Griffith, Lake County, Indiana, has undertaken and been actively engaged in the fulfillment of its duties and responsibilities as the Town Council to the Griffith Fire Department since appointed; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council of the Town of Griffith, Lake County, Indiana, has been advised and informed by and through Fire Chief Roy Schoon and Deputy Chief Mike Andree Jr. that an emergency condition has arisen due to the fact that one of its Fire Trucks (Unit 213 American LaFrance Century VIN: 1P2F11039MA901019) has fallen into mere collector's status due to the fact that the manufacturer will no longer support parts to fix it; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council of the Town of Griffith, Lake County, Indiana, has been further advised that a threat to the public health, welfare and safety to the citizens of Griffith exists, as there is no way to ensure that the Fire Truck will be operable during an emergency without access to parts necessary to keep it in good maintenance and operation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council of the Town of Griffith, Lake County, Indiana, now determines that it is in the best interests of the residents of the Town of Griffith and the Griffith ~~Police Department~~ to immediately proceed to acquire and purchase a replacement Fire Truck; **FIRE DEPT**

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council of the Town of Griffith, Lake County, Indiana, further determines that due to the long, extensive and costly process to acquire a new Fire Truck, it is necessary to proceed on an emergency basis to purchase a used Fire Truck readily available for sale, which would also result in a substantial savings to the Town; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council of the Town of Griffith, Lake County, Indiana, has been advised that one certain Fire Truck for sale that would replace the Fire Truck in

question has been found that has the capacity to seat 10 riders, passed inspection by specialized members of the Fire Department and fits within a reasonable budget; and

**WHEREAS**, the Fire Department now desires to purchase a certain Fire Truck further described in Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GRIFFITH, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA:**

**SECTION ONE:** That the Griffith Town Council hereby approves the emergency purchase of a certain Fire Truck described in Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein.

**SECTION TWO:** That the Griffith Town Council hereby designates Town Council President Rick Ryfa to sign off on the Purchase Agreement.

**SECTION THREE:** That this Resolution shall take effect, and be in full force and effect, from and after passage by the Town Council of the Town of Griffith, Lake County, Indiana.

**ALL OF WHICH IS RESOLVED THIS 15<sup>th</sup> DAY OF February, 2022.**

**TOWN OF GRIFFITH, LAKE  
COUNTY, INDIANA, TOWN COUNCIL**

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Rick Ryfa, President

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Larry Ballah, Vice President

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James Marker

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Tony Hobson

ATTEST:

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Gina Smith, Clerk-Treasurer