

Cromwell Fire District

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FIRE DEPARTMENT

Press Release 2023 -2024 Proposed Budget

Based on the Commission meeting of April 25, 2023, the Commission voted and adopted the following budget with the mill rate to remain the same at **3 Mills**.

Public Safety-General Fund (Fire, EMS, Fire Marshal & Communications) \$6,862,094

This reflects an \$839,278 increase year over year.

Highlights for the increase;

* Capital needs of \$379,500 (Coles Rd. firehouse roof, replacement of turnout gear and SCBA (Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus)

* \$100,000 for future apparatus replacement, (to minimize borrowing).

* \$450,000 additional staff for coverage on a second ambulance, an additional part time Assistant Fire Chief, SAFER grant funding has expired for 4 career firefighters.

* Increased utility expenses.

* Increased benefit expenses and union contractual obligations.

It's important to note that the District did not receive any funding from any Federal stimulus bills to offset any expenditures or capital needs.

Water Division \$2,722,774 The water rates will remain the same, no change.

The District Budget vote will be on MAY 22, 2023, from 5 PM to 8 PM at the Coles Rd firehouse.

For additional information or clarification, please call or email Julius C. Neto, Executive Director of the Cromwell Fire District, or see the proposed complete 2023 -2024 budget on the District's website.

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