

through February 2019.

Truty discussed the \$925,890 in surplus funds at the end of 2018, of which \$400,000 had been allocated to the Station 1 living quarters remodel and \$178,000 in other budgeted expenditures, none of which has occurred yet. Another \$400,000 came from unexpectedly high Special Ownership Tax revenue. Truty suggested the board consider:

- Recommending \$35,000 for immediate Station 2 upgrades.
- An additional \$350,000 for the Station 1 remodel to encompass a kitchen and day areas.
- Save for a property purchase for a future station.
- Save extra capital for equipment reserves.

The board suggested that TLM-FPD command staff and the labor union should be involved in the decision-making process for the allocation of the remainder of the one-time surplus funds.

The board unanimously approved the non-budgeted expenditure of \$35,000 for short-term maintenance, equipment, and upgrades at Station 2.

**Station 1 remodel**

A total of \$1.2 million over three years, or roughly \$400,000 per station, was allocated last year in response to the successful mill levy campaign in 2017. Money is still earmarked for all three stations, but due to the recommendations in the Master Plan the current station locations will need to be reviewed.

Truty suggested adding an additional \$350,000 to enhance the remodel of Station 1, for a total of \$750,000, since it had the least likelihood of being moved. The board agreed that Station 1 should be enhanced now for the firefighters based on the recommendation from ESCI, though a specific plan has not been determined. Some future projects to upgrade Station 2 and 3 will still go ahead to make conditions more livable, since any relocations will take years to accomplish, Truty said.

The board voted 6-0 to approve an additional \$350,000 from the 2018 windfall for the remodeling of Fire Station 1.

**Wescott merger update**

On Feb. 27, the board moved

into executive session to instruct negotiators on a possible future arrangement with DWFPD and to determine positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations. The board re-

turned to the regular meeting at 9:07 p.m.; no further decisions or discussions occurred.

Truty said on March 27 that the next meeting of the chiefs and the committee regarding

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