

RESOLUTION 23-170

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO COLLECT DONATIONS FOR FIRE BELLE RESTORATION

WHEREAS, the City of Spring Hill owns and operates a 1957 Ford F-700/Seagrave Antique Fire Engine; and

WHEREAS, the community, in 2014, rallied to preserve the apparatus and to restore it to a condition that was fitting to serve the community in a fire prevention, public education, and parade fashion; and

WHEREAS, the Spring Hill Fire Department maintains the Fire Engine with assistance from the Public Works Fleet Division; and

WHEREAS, the Antique Fire Engine is in need of having the engine replaced due to the likely and impending failure of the bearings and crankcase; and

WHEREAS, the need exists to create a perpetual fund that can be used to pay for current and on-going repair needs.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Spring Hill, Tennessee that the Fire Department is authorized to:

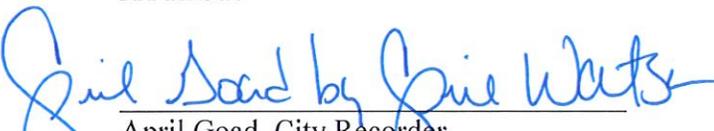
1. Establish a fund-raising initiative to be known as "The Fire Belle Project".
2. Advertise and collect donations that will be placed into a budget line that will be used for current and future maintenance, upkeep, storage, and repairs.
3. Provide BOMA with an annual report detailing the amount of donations received and how funds were expended.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Spring Hill, Tennessee, this 5th Day of September 2023.

ATTEST:



Jim Hagaman, Mayor



April Goad, City Recorder

LEGAL FORM APPROVED:



Patrick Carter, City Attorney



REQUEST: *Approval of Resolution 23-170*

SUBMITTED BY: Graig Temple, Fire Chief

DATE: September 5, 2023

RE: Fire Bell Restoration and Donations

PURPOSE:

To permit the Fire Department to establish an initiative that will be referred to as "The Fire Belle Project" and to collect donations that will be deposited into the city general fund and distributed through a Budget Line for Fire Belle.

BACKGROUND:

In 2014 the Community rallied to collect donations to restore this antique fire engine. The apparatus known as "Fire Belle" has been a staple in the community ever since, leading the annual Christmas parade, at antique car shows, providing public education and community relations associated with fire prevention, and as a piece of history for the Spring Hill Fire Department. This action will allow the Fire Department to create a perpetual fund through donations in lieu of using the city's fiscal budget for upkeep of the apparatus.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

N/A

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of Resolution 23-170 to enable the Fire Department to collect donations for "The Fire Belle Project" to pay for maintenance, upkeep, storage, and repairs.