



# Chatham County, NC

## Legislation Text

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Consider request from Tom Lewis, Chairman of the Moncure Volunteer Fire Department for \$100,000 to fund renovations of Station 14 on Corinth Road.

**Action Requested:**

Approve the allocation from coal ash funds with stipulation that any unused funds be returned to the county.

**Introduction & Background:**

The Chatham County Board of Commissioners appropriated \$275,000 from coal ash funds to Moncure Volunteer Fire Department for the expansion and renovation of Station 14 located on Corinth Road. The requested and allocated amount was based on a quote that was three-years old. Although a small amount of inflation was added to the request, when the project was bid, the cost came in substantially higher, requiring an additional \$78,524 to cover the lowest bid.

**Discussion & Analysis:**

The Fire Department has reviewed the bid and reduced where possible. Further reductions will impact the scope of work.

**Budgetary Impact:**

**Recommendation:**

The department originally requested \$78,524, which simply covers the cost of the low bid. County staff is recommending that the allocation be rounded to \$100,000 to cover unanticipated changes during construction. Staff further recommends, and the department agrees, that any unspent funds will revert to the county. Finally, staff recommends that funds come from the Duke Energy coal ash settlement.