

Cromwell Fire District
Annual Meeting
October 7, 2013
Annual Treasurer's Report

The District had \$3,928,158 in cash and cash equivalents as of June 30, 2013 as compared to \$1,011,836 at June 30, 2012. This increase is primarily due to the unexpended proceeds from the October 2012 bond issue (\$470,000-Water Division Maintenance Building) and the reimbursement of cash reserves that were spent down in anticipation of the bond sale (\$752,000-purchase of Ladder 3, \$423,000-Court Street Project, \$1,410,000-Well #4 Project).

Financial Highlights

- The District's combined net assets increased by 2.6% from a year ago. Net assets amounted to \$22,108,943 as of June 30, 2013. Over time, increases in net assets are an indicator that the District's financial position is improving.
- Net assets for the District's governmental activities increased to \$8,167,007 from \$7,930,704 as of June 30, 2012. Unrestricted net assets, the part of net assets that can be used to finance day-to-day operations without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislation or other legal requirements, increased from \$1,680,939 at June 30, 2012 to \$2,280,782 at the end of this year.
- The District's total revenue was \$6,067,987 (net of transfers). The total cost of all programs and services was \$5,502,668.
- The General Fund unassigned fund balance at June 30, 2013 is \$1,025,949.
- The tax collection rate for the current tax levy was 99.12%. Total tax collections of \$2,672,164 exceeded the budgeted estimate by \$47,164.
- Ambulance billings amounted to \$676,316. Billable call volume decreased from 1,853 in fiscal 2012 to 1,617 in fiscal 2013.
- The District's share of fund balance of the Radio Tower Fund is \$439,204 as of June 30, 2013. This balance is earmarked to finance communication systems and other Fire Department capital programs but is also available to finance operating costs if needed.
- Water Division operating income amounted to \$365,822 and the net position after transfers, capital contributions, and non-operating revenue and interest expenses amounted to \$329,016. Water Division net assets increased from \$13,612,920 as of June 30, 2012 to \$13,941,936 as of June 30, 2013.
- The District has a 'AA' long-term bond rating with a stable outlook from Standard and Poors.
- During the year the District purchased 2013 Pierce Quint ladder/ pumper to replace a 1976 pumper. The purchase of this apparatus and related equipment was financed from the October 2012 bond issue.

- The District issued bonds in the amount of \$4,310,000 in October 2012. The following projects were included in the issue:

Well # 4.....	\$ 1,410,000
Water Division Maintenance Facility.....	\$ 470,000
New Lane Water Main Replacement.....	\$ 235,000
Quint Ladder Truck.....	\$ 752,000
Court Street Addition.....	\$ 423,000
Refunding Bonds.....	\$ 1,020,000

A copy of the District's Annual Financial Report and the Independent Auditors' Report will be available for review on or about October 15, 2013 during normal business hours at the Cromwell Fire District Administrative Office, 2nd floor, 1 West Street, Cromwell CT. A copy will also be posted on the District's website (www.cromwellfiredistrict.com).

Respectfully submitted,

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