RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2014-438

MEETING: August 19, 2014

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Doug Binnewies, Sheriff-Coroner-Public Administrator

RE: Approve Contract for Services for Repair and Service of SCBAs

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve an Agreement with Dan Michael to Repair and Service the Fire Department’s Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA), and Authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to Sign the Agreement. The contract amount will not exceed $20,000.

For over thirty years Mr. Michael has been servicing and repairing the Fire Department’s SCBAs. Mr. Michael is factory trained and certified to complete all non-warranty service and repair work on Sperian/Honeywell breathing equipment. Annual service and air flow tests are Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) mandated. Having a locally trained and certified repair technician saves the County substantial time and money over contracting with a factory technician from out of the area.

Mr. Michael’s service includes traveling to each fire station to pick up SCBA units, completing the test and returning the units to their respective apparatus. Doing so keeps all apparatus in their stations and in service without inconveniencing volunteer members. If the Department had to use a factory service representative each volunteer company would have to arrange for a volunteer member to gather the station’s SCBAs, bottles and masks into one vehicle, take that apparatus out of service in the community and bring them to the central repair location. During this time period the entire company would not be able to respond to an emergency that would require use of a breathing device. Mr. Michael’s level of service is superior to using a factory technician. The Fire Department owns 153 SCBAs, approximately 230 masks and approximately 340 air bottles spread over 15 locations, including Mariposa Public Utility District (MPUD) Rescue 22 and El Portal. The servicing/repair process requires the technician to initially flow test each unit and document the test data. Based on the test results the technician makes appropriate adjustments and/or repairs and re-tests the unit until it meets factory specifications. Once the SCBA unit passes testing then each mask must be flow tested, adjusted and/or repaired and re-tested.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
Similar contract was approved in fiscal year 2013-14.
ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
Do not approve the agreement and contract with a factory representative to complete the annual service and repair.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
Contract amount has been included in the fiscal year 2014-15 recommended budget.

ATTACHMENTS:
Dan Michael Agreement 2014  (DOC)

CAO RECOMMENDATION
Requested Action Recommended

RESULT:  ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:  Janet Bibby, District III Supervisor
SECONDER:  Merlin Jones, District II Supervisor
AYES: Stetson, Jones, Bibby, Cann, Carrier