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Study Group supports the renovation of the Parkesburg Station

PARKESBURG, Pa.— Last Spring, Municipal Resources Inc. (MRI), of Meredith, New Hampshire, was hired to perform an Emergency Services study. The purpose of the study was to perform a risk and needs assessment of the four Municipalities that comprise the District, evaluate current and future fire, rescue and ambulance service delivery, and assist in developing a 5, 10 and 15-year strategic plan to assure effective, efficient, and fiscally responsible emergency services to the customers of the District and its member municipalities.

Today, the MRI study team announced that the study fully supports the plans for the new fire station that will replace the existing one on the current site in Parkesburg. Mr. Peter J. Finley, Jr., a project manager for the study group said, “the current station has outlived its usefulness as an emergency services station and is no longer conducive to effective and efficient operations of the Keystone Valley Fire Department. As the department, has consolidated the majority of the operations into a single facility, the current station is not large enough, and it does not have many of the components necessary to adequately support the operations of a 21st-century fire and EMS provider. The new station should provide for the needs of the department, both current, and future.”

Mr. Finley said, “It is also our belief that the KVFD will be conducting the majority of its operations from this location for at least the next decade. The location of the station in Parkesburg is relatively centrally located within the fire district's coverage areas of Parkesburg Borough, Highland Township, Sadsbury Township, and West Sadsbury Township. Although we did not perform an in-depth station location assessment, we believe the current station location is appropriate and will continue to meet the needs of the Keystone Valley Fire Department and its customers for the foreseeable future.”

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