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**NORTH MYRTLE BEACH WELCOMES A NEW FIRE ENGINE**

*North Myrtle Beach, SC – October 14, 2020* —\_North Myrtle Beach welcomed a 202Pierce Arrow XT 1500GPM pump fire engine today. The new engine will be housed at the Windy Hill Fire Station.

The new fire engine replaces a 2000 KME that reached its frontline service capacity. The old fire engine becomes a reserve engine used temporarily when a front-line apparatus needs repairs.



In addition to fighting fires, the new engine will be used to respond to specialized calls such as Entrapment MVA's and technical rescue calls. It carries a set of the department's Holmatro extrication equipment and an onboard oil dry hopper. It also features LED scene lighting, including a light tower.

The fire engine features a lowered hose bed, and carries 500 gallons of water and 50 gallons of foam, which improve safety for personnel.

***PHOTO: Mayor Marilyn Hatley, Councilman J.O. Baldwin, Councilman Fred Coyne, Councilwoman Nicole Fontana, City Manager Mike Mahaney, Public Safety Director Jay Fernandez, Fire Chief Garry Spain, and others were on hand to welcome the new fire engine.***

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