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**From:** Adrienne Marie Liggett <moxtail@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 2, 2025 11:28 AM  
**To:** CouncilAll  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Opposition to the Fire Engine Sale

**Dear Ross Town Council,**

I am writing as a concerned resident to respectfully urge you **not** to proceed with the sale of the Ross fire engine at the upcoming July 10th meeting. With a ballot initiative currently underway to restore and preserve our local firehouse, moving forward with this sale now feels both premature and deeply concerning.

Our community has demonstrated strong momentum and financial commitment toward saving our fire station, having already raised over \$50,000. We deserve the opportunity to let the voters decide the future of our fire services, based on recent data and financials. Selling the fire engine before that process concludes undermines community trust and circumvents the democratic process.

It is both reasonable and responsible for the Town to retain the fire engine until after the results of the ballot initiative are known. I urge you to delay any decision on its sale and respect the will of the residents.

In addition, I strongly advise against selling the engine from a financial standpoint. The Town would recoup only a fraction of its true value, and there is no pressing urgency to act now. Moving forward with the sale, despite clear public concern and without collaboration with Friends of Ross Firehouse, risks eroding public trust. That loss of trust could jeopardize future initiatives, such as securing the two-thirds vote needed for civic projects like the rebuilding of the Civic Center. It's also not lost on me that this issue is being quickly pushed through during the summer when a vast majority of residents are out of Town on holiday travels - another move that erodes public trust.

Please listen to your residents and allow this process to unfold fairly. We simply ask for the chance to be heard

**Thank you for your consideration.**

Sincerely,  
Adrienne Liggett