

Olcott Fire Company Adds New Truck to Inventory Thanks to Senator's Help

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Today, Senator Rob Ortt (R,C,I,Ref-North Tonawanda) joined the Olcott Fire Company to reveal its brand new multi-use emergency response truck. Thanks to a grant obtained by Sen. Rob Ortt, the Olcott Fire Company was able to purchase a new response vehicle.

This heavy-duty truck, with its 10' rescue body, will replace a 15-year-old vehicle previously used for brush and rubbish fires. Due to the versatility of this new vehicle and the inclusion

of a 200-gallon water tank, the truck will be utilized more effectively than the company's previous model. This new truck will also include two SCBA units, life jackets, cold-water rescue suits for water emergencies and EMS/ALS equipment – certifying it as an EMS response vehicle.

"Our volunteer firefighters and EMS first responders are the everyday heroes of our community, and we must support those who put their life on the line for the betterment of the community they serve," said Sen. Ortt. "The Olcott Fire Company is one that takes enormous pride in the equipment and service they provide the residents of the Town of Newfane, and I'm proud that I was able to assist them."

"This funding means a lot to the company," said Olcott Fire Chief, Stephen Miller. "To have new vehicle joining the fleet, replacing a 15-year-old piece of equipment, is crucial if we are to keep our company providing the highest level of emergency services possible. Because the fire company is 100 percent volunteer, our funding is limited and receiving donations and grants to purchase equipment is a huge asset to the town and community. We are so thankful that Sen. Ortt was able to secure a significant grant for the company."

The company also played host to a recruitment drive in conjunction to the unveiling, informing residents of the ways they can help their local fire company. If you are interested in volunteering your time to the company, please visit http://olcottfirecompany.com.

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