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Please approve the CDP for the Albion Little River Fire Protection District (ALRFPD) new firehouse. A new centrally located fire station will benefit everyone in our community. Our firefighters and our first responders will have a fully functional firehouse that is up to date with fully equipped modern fire trucks, adequate fire-fighting equipment and effective training programs. Firefighters will have a clean, efficient space from which to quickly respond, benefiting homeowners in quicker response rates and equitable insurance premiums. The ALRFPD emergency call volume has increased 300% since 2004 and there are fewer volunteers available. Our new station will provide for future staffing to meet the needs of population increase as well as our aging population.

Three community outreach meetings were held for the new fire station prior to submission of the CDP. There was overwhelming support for the new fire station project.

Thank you,

Sheila J Klopper, EMT, Chaplain. Peer Support Counselor