

MONTHLY FIRE CHIEFS REPORT

Regular Meeting: December 12, 2023

Operations:

- We responded to 39 calls in November.
- Lt. Schneider and I are traveling to Minnesota January 2-4 to do a final inspection on the tender. We will be working with a contractor to have it driven back.
- The district submitted an invoice to Union Pacific for the train derailment incident, total bill was \$7142.50.
- Captain Watson was involved in a minor accident in his department vehicle. The other vehicle was insured and was found to be at fault. The truck is currently at the dealer; we are awaiting the repair bid.
- The garage door release cord caught on the UTV rack and pulled the door down on the front of the trailer. There is no damage to UTV or the trailer, but the bottom panel of the door is damaged. We are waiting for the final budget before proceeding with repairs, not significant enough to submit to insurance.

Wildland/Mitigation:

- County mitigation around the Recreation Center is about 60% complete.
- Roadside mitigation in Corona Heights is underway.
- Porter Ranch Phase 1 is marked and ready to begin.
- Pile burning on USFS lands began on Monday and will continue for several months. We have a resource order for the work and will be billing for reimbursement of people hours and apparatus.

Administration:

- Historical/Roof grant award announcement is scheduled for December 15th.
- Submitting another grant for our Mitigation Coordinator this week, 1-year wages requested.
- 2023 grant reimbursements are being finalized; we should receive all funds by January.
- Putting the final touches on the Training and Recruitment Coordinator job description, we are planning to post the position in early January with a March 1 hire date.
- Chief Hinderman is working on lots of year end close out items.

Training:

- FF Price and FF Say completed and received their Hazmat Aw/Ops certs.
- Lt's Colgan, Geyer, and Lovato all finished FF2 academy and passed practical exam. All are taking written exam this month/Jan.
- CPR refreshers scheduled for December.
- Working with Nederland and Gilpin Ambulance on joint 2024 training calendars.
- Congrats to Donald Knight on NREMT EMT-Basic cert.

R&R:

- Timberline Luau was a success with a great turn out. The following awards were given out for 2023.
 - o Donald Knight is Rookie of the Year.
 - o Captain Lutz, Officer of the Year.
 - o Chief Schimanskey, Administrative Employee of the Year.
 - o Aaron Smith, Operational Employee of the Year.
 - o Josh Colgan, Firefighter of the Year.
 - o Katie Doyle, Lifesaving Award.
 - o Station 5, Station of the Year.
- Captains Watson and Lutz attended EMS career day recruitment event w/ Red Rocks.
- New recruit candidate interviews are ongoing through December and January, led by Station 5 staff and volunteers.
- Two new in-district members out of Station 9 are online and beginning to work through their onboarding.