

CHIEF'S MINUTE(S)

September 9, 2020

- Incidents** – August, 2020 20 total, 13 medical, 1 structure, 1 mva, 3 natural cover, 2 public safety/assist. Structure fire was automatic aid to District 2 in Melqua. Natural cover fires were mutual aid with Ten Mile and Dist 2 in Reston, on Burnt Mtn, and lower Happy Valley. Have had two suspicious natural cover fires this month and are actively participating in the fires east of Glide.
- Training** – Training this month included a multi company drill at the Melrose D2 training tower, Ladders and hose drills at the acquired burn structure, and medical covering initial patient assessments and using our new patient form. Still planning for burn trailer arrival this month and county wide LPG drill Sept. 19th.
- Firefighters** - 3 firefighters committed to other Oregon fires as medical personnel for up to two weeks. Working on developing more officers and leaders as we have an influx of younger FFs and trainees.
- Explorers** - Participated in all ff tasks.
- Equipment** - No mechanical issues this month. Received donated dodge truck from Avista Corp. Is insured and working on title transfer and registration. Made contacts for lettering and also for carburetor install on Brush 1081. Appointment later in September for annual pump tests with Hughes Fire equipment and Roseburg fire. Purchased new AED for Brush 1080, and put it on board. Had radio programmer from Southern Oregon Communications in to fix problems with our portable and vehicle radios. Ordered new BK radio from him at the same time as part of VFA grant.
- Inventory** - Continuing placement of equipment on units and identifying surplus equipment for disposal/donation per Board approval.
- Facility** Still practicing Covid 19 Phase 2 directives, including masks and sanitizing. Generator was operational during Douglas electric power outage and worked perfectly. Fuel ordered (gas and diesel)
- Office/Admin** – SDAO/SDIS has sent out 2021 proposed insurance package for review and updating. Completed the SDAO harassment training and submitted all info for Best Practices. We are at 10% discount for next year. FEMA grant for new SCBAs was successful, and we are working with District 2 for purchase later this year. Our share is approximately \$137,000 with our Dept. matching \$13,700 as budgeted. VFA Grant was also successful, the notification never got to us but I contacted them on the status and they confirmed our award and sent the contract. \$19,800 with a 50% match. Stared making purchases for that so that we will be done by Dec. 31st. Met with Wheeler Bookkeeping Aug. 12 and discussed 20-21 budget and our in-lieu audit report. Will be done prior to Sept 30th, fairly straight forward with the accounting by Wheeler. UCC Fire Trailer is being repaired and may still arrive in August. Working to possibly delay it and continue to use the burn building for training. Last month we initiated contact with Glide Fire to review their satellite fire station and how they went about it. Was unable to meet and still working out a date that works. Credit card errors with vendors being reimbursed as we speak. Was double billed twice this month. Billed by Douglas County for Communications costs. Discuss “past due” bill for 19-20.