

CHIEF'S MINUTE(S)

March 17, 2021

- Incidents** – February, 2021 16 total, 9 medical, 3 structure, 1 mva, 1 natural cover, 2 public safety/assist. Structure fires were 1 mutual aid to Winston (Church fire), 1 mutual aid to Camas, and 1 flue fire in our District with no damage.
- Training** – Station training maintaining social distancing and masks. Fit testing/SCBA training with Cascade Fire and new SCBA samples, required sexual and work harassment prevention training, Child/Elder abuse mandatory reporting, OSHA safety meeting/equipment and vehicle inventory, and wet hose lays at Melrose Dist. 2 tower. Will get permission to use Grange Hall as needed until Douglas County rating lowers.
- Firefighters** - Continuing driver/operator training, 3 ffs still attending EMR class at Tenmile FD
- Explorers** - Participated in all ff tasks.
- Equipment** - No major issues this month. Planning repairs and maintenance on both Engines and Tender at Southern Oregon Diesel before fire season.
- Inventory** - Completed FEMA grant request jointly with Fire District 2 for updated radios (15 portable) at approximately \$35000, our match \$3500. This will standardize most of central Douglas County for communications. Will budget grant match in upcoming budget. Surveying grant writers for vehicle grants and for joint recruitment/training grant with Tenmile and possibly Camas Valley as opportunities open.
- Facility** Continuing Covid19 precautions with masks required and limit on occupancy, disinfecting after use. Ran emergency generator and did routine maintenance on it. Starting work on siding for pole structure in parking lot. Identifying and initiating spring cleaning of facility and disposal of surplus equipment.
- Office/Admin** – Received Archie Creek reimbursement and have 30 days to disburse funds. \$7120 to District for use of equipment and \$4535 split between ffs as contracted workers. Received VFA reimbursement of \$9872 for match of VFA grant. Also received \$495 dollar SDAO longevity rebate and smaller amount of past tax revenue.
- Completed annual Haz Mat reporting to State.
- Have 3 candidates for Board positions who have filed, and final confirmation on budget committee tonight. Position 5 will have to be filled also.
- Writing new policies on Firefighter/Driver operator/Captain qualifications with a program from entry level to Officer based on certifications and training.
- Met with Evergreen OCCU Health concerning OSHA required initial and follow up physicals, respiratory evaluations, drug testing, DOT/driver physicals, and advanced diagnostic/labs if needed. Will be budgeting for that in the future and applying for grants for future program. Can absorb funding for rest of year to initiate medical evaluations. Procedure and tracking being developed.
- Completed OSHA required Respiratory policy for SCBAs and respirators. Writing more policies as time allows.
- Year end report was finished and submitted to Board for review.