



SUNSTITES-PEARCE FIRE DISTRICT

SERVING RESIDENTS OF THE SUNSTITES-PEARCE FIRE DISTRICT,
AND NEIGHBORING COCHISE COUNTY
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Fire Chief's Report for March 2016

1. **EMS Calls= 32**
 - A. In District Calls=24
 - B. Out of District Calls=8
 - C. Number of Patients Transported=21
 - D. Number of Patients Flown Out=1
 - E. Number of Patient Refusals =10
 - F. Number of rollover or Motor Vehicle Accidents=0
 - G. Number of Mutual Aide Given Calls= 1, (HCI)
 - H. Number of Mutual Aide Received Calls= 0
 - I. Number of Dead on Arrival Calls=0

2. **Fire Calls=21**
 - A. In District Calls=11
 - B. Out of District Calls=10
 - C. Brush Fires = 8 (RR Wash, Willcox, Boss Ranch, Papago, Guadalupe Pass, Steele, Ford Street Flint)
 - D. Structure Fires= 1
 - E. Car Fires=1
 - F. Hazardous Materials= 0
 - G. Good Intent=2
 - H. Service Calls= 5
 - I. Mutual Aide Calls=1
 - J. Prescribed burns= 5

Total Fire and EMS Calls year to date are 137. Total calls since the February 23, 2016 meeting is 53.

Training:

1. On duty crews have been completing weekly training sessions. These sessions included 2 minute drills, pump operations, SCBA breathe down drills, SCBA cascade operations, driving and backing operations.
2. We hosted base hospital continuing education on Monday February 29, 2016.
3. We will be hosting three wildland fire classes. The S 133, Look Up, Look Down, Look Around will be on April 2nd. The S 131, Advanced Wildland Firefighter will be on April 3rd. The S 211, Portable Pumps class will be on April 9th and 10th.

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4. Captain Garner, FF Labas, and I attended an active shooter training and Rescue Task Force training in Douglas on March 11 and April 9th.
5. Captain Tingle and I attended the S 270, Basic Air Operations class in Tucson on March 1st and 2nd.
6. Captain Garner attended a non-criminal justice, fingerprint class through DPS on March 17th, 2016.
7. Firefighter Escarcega and I attended an infectious disease course in Sierra Vista on March 22nd, 2016.

Wildland:

1. We have had 8 additional Wildland assignments since the last meeting. The RR Wash, Willcox Boss Ranch, Guadalupe Pass, Steele fires were out of district and billable, the Papago, Ford Street, and Flint fires were in district, non billable. We currently have billed out to Arizona State Forestry Division \$19,703.90

Out of District Fires:

1. We currently have a balance of \$44,849.03 outstanding for 16 fires that occurred outside of the district boundaries since 2012. Of the 16 fires, seven incidents, with a total of \$15,141.38 are in collections, four have been paid in full.

Emergency Medical Services:

February total billings to date are \$ 21,490.06.

Hazardous Materials:

1. Regional quarterly training is scheduled for March 29, 2016 in Sierra Vista

Maintenance:

1. E-302 is at W.W. Williams now for service, pump test, and inspection.
2. E-301 had two front tires replaced at Cochise Farmers for cost of \$ 834.00.
3. Command 30 had two rear tires replaced at Cochise Farmers for a cost of \$ 560.00.
4. Tender 304 had two air valves replaced in house. Cost of parts is \$ 127.00.

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Communication:

1. The Wildland Fire Hazardous Fuels grant project continues and should be finished by June. We did have a site visit from Arizona State Forestry Division to review progress. We are meeting the objectives for the grant.
2. We participated in a Preparedness fair at the Mormon Church on March 19th, 2016
3. The fire hydrant committee has set a date and time for the testing of fire hydrants in the Sunsites area. The date is March 25, 2016 beginning at 9 am. Residents and businesses may see a decrease in water flow and sediment or discoloration of water. I will continue to work with Mr. Dojaquez and Mr. Baker regarding these hydrants.
4. The equipment that was awarded on the Volunteer Fire Assistance Grant has been ordered and should be delivered soon.
5. We did submit the Arizona Governor's Highway Safety Grant.
6. We will be conducting an EMS standby at the Amerind Foundation on April 2nd, 2016.
7. We will be participating in the Northern Cochise Community Hospital Health Fair on April 22nd, 2016
8. We will be conducting an EMS standby at the Ash Creek Elementary School on April 28th, 2016.
9. Captain Allen Hershey was awarded the Firefighter of the year and Captain Garner was awarded the Emergency Medical Services of the year from the VFW.
10. Captain Hershey was awarded the 2015 Firefighter of the year by the Elks Lodge in Willcox.
11. We did purchase two new computers and had them installed by Sierra Tech. The computers are for the dispatch area and chief's office.
12. Local Emergency Planning Committee report, The LEPC's last meeting was January 15, 2016. Again the LEPC is seeking Tier II reporting facilities within Cochise County to complete site visits and pre plans. The next is April 15, 2016.
13. Cochise County Fire Chief's Association report: The association will be discussing the formation of a committee regarding the future of communications in Cochise County and the proposed Regional Dispatch plan. The association is also discussing more efficient training and procedures. The next meeting is March 23, 2016 at the Willcox Fire Department.
14. Introduce the on duty crew to the public.

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