

Sunsites-Pearce Fire District

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Fire Chief's Report for January 17, 2023

Call Volume:

Calls since last meeting: 32

In District: 17 Out of District: 15

Total Fire and EMS Calls 2023 year to date are: 24

Training:

- 1. New hire orientation continues.
- 2. Monthly EMS training completed.
- 3. Wildland refresher and pack-test this weekend.

Wildland:

1. Multiple trainings scheduled around the region with SPFD personnel attending and/or teaching

Out of District Services:

1. Nothing new to report

Emergency Medical Services:

- 1. New M301 is delivered and striped. Awaiting radio install and DHS inspection. Estimated in service date 2/1/2023
- 2. We will be starting the process on the ambulance rate increase. Application will be brought to the board prior to submission.

Hazardous Materials and Technical Rescue:

1. New ropes from county grant delivered.

Maintenance

- 1. There are 15 pending apparatus work orders.
- 2. There are 3 equipment work order.

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- 3. Quarters septic repair was within Fire Chief spending authority and work is underway. Should be completed by Thursday.
- 4. Station roof quotes continue to be a challenge. Looking at \$14k for repair with warranty and \$50k for replacement. Continue to research funding/financing opportunities with multiple calls to USDA.
- 5. T304 still OOS for unresolved issues from previous repair.

Communications:

- 1. Entered into an agreement with Lexipol for grant writing services. AFG grant will be written for new SCBA packs, bottles, and face masks. Cost will be approx. \$352,000. AFG is typically a 5% match (\$17,600), we will be applying for grant matching funding to make the district cost \$0. This grant will not be awarded until next fiscal year.
- 2. Old M301 is listed on public surplus, auction closes at the end of the month.

Staffing

- 1. Shifts are fully staffed. Congratulation to Jessica Robison, our newest full-time paramedic.
- 2. Part-time staff has been very engaged.
- 3. Exploring options and funding sources for seasonal wildland staffing.