

Sunsites-Pearce Fire District

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Fire Chief's Report for February 21, 2023

Call Volume:

Calls since last meeting: 52

In District: 37 Out of District: 15

Total Fire and EMS Calls 2023 year to date are: 78

Training:

- 1. New hire orientation continues.
- 2. Monthly Fire EMS training completed.
- 3. Multiagency Med Team and REMS team training completed on Saturday.

Wildland:

- 1. Multiple trainings scheduled around the region with SPFD personnel attending and/or teaching.
- 2. As fire danger increases, DFFM will be staging crews at the Richland station on a regular basis. This will allow us to have more resources available for local fires and create more opportunities for training and position advancement with our personnel.
- 3. Our land use agreement for the Richland station was updated last month with an increase from \$40/day to \$75/day.

Out of District Services:

1. Nothing new to report

Emergency Medical Services:

- 1. New M301 is in service.
- 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. HazMat FRO class has been requested and scheduled for August. Class will be taught in Willcox to help engage regional partners.
- 2. Multiagency TRT training was done on Saturday.

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Maintenance

- 1. There are 10 pending apparatus work orders.
- 2. There are 3 equipment work order.
- 3. T304 back in service
- 4. M301 is out of service
- 5. Quarters septic repair is complete with no reoccurring issues.
- 6. Quarters HVAC continue to struggle when temperatures reach freezing outside.
- 7. Station roof still needs replaced. USDA loan/grant application is underway. Need board action tonight to authorize moving forward and at what dollar amount.

Communications:

- 1. AFG Grant for \$334,087.92 was submitted to replace SCBA's.
- 2. SAFER grant for approx. \$750,000 is being written to fund 4 new positions for 3 years.
- 3. Multiple other grants for PPE, training, and equipment are underway.
- 4. Old M301 has still not sold. Relisted on public surplus.
- 5. Our assessed value from the county has increased. Draft budget planning for next year is underway.

Staffing

- 1. Shifts are fully staffed.
- 2. Part-time staff has been very engaged.
- 3. Exploring options and funding sources for seasonal wildland staffing.



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