



SUNSTITES-PEARCE FIRE DISTRICT

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Fire Chief's Report for June 17, 2025

Call Volume as of May 31st:

February Call Volume: 66

Fire: 25

EMS: 41

2025: 355

Training:

1. EMS training completed regarding pediatric emergencies.
2. Fire training was completed on multiple subjects including UTV driving and Chain saw operations.
3. On duty training continues at the shift level on various topics.

Wildland:

1. T304 is on assignment in California.
2. Fire activity in the region has been increasing over the last week.
3. Burn ban remains in effect at the federal, state, and district level for our area.

Out of District Services:

1. Nothing new to report.

Emergency Medical Services:

1. Our 6-month automatic rate increase was approved by AZDHS.
2. We are slowly starting to see revenue increase from our general rate adjustment last year.

Hazardous Materials and Technical Rescue:

1. Nothing new to report.

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Maintenance

1. M303 is temporarily out of service for a DEF issue. Should be resolved tomorrow.
2. Station and vehicle maintenance continues.

Communications:

1. Reached out to the Arizona Corporation Commission regarding the status of fire hydrants within the Village. Complaints from consumers must first be directed to the company. If non-action occurs, the complaint can be filed with the corporation commission. Explained the complaints have been given to each owner of the water company for 10+ years. With the new ownership they suggest as many consumers as possible reach out to the company and if no action is taken, re-follow up with the commission. Hope Water: 623-219-4740.

Roughly 75% of the 69 identified hydrants are in service and able to flow water. Exact flow capacities have not been tested.

2. SPFD submitted a funding proposal to Senator Kelly for a Type 3 Fire Engine and a 3,500-gallon water tender. The Senator's office has selected to move forward with securing funding for the water tender, full award of project is subject to ongoing federal budget negotiations. This is a 75/25 grant and SPFD will be responsible for Approximately \$75,000 if awarded. This balance can be financed and is accounted for in next year's budget.
3. The end of this fiscal year is approaching with a balance remaining on the registered warrant. In discussion with the County Treasurer regarding options. Item on tonight's agenda for discussion.

Staffing

1. One full-time position is currently open, being filled with part-timers until a qualified applicant can be found.
2. Additional hiring and orientation is underway to meet the demands of our increased call volume and expected summer fire activity.
3. Multiple new hire employees are working through orientation.

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