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Chief's Report – May 2019

Call Reports and Training

Calls:

It's been a quiet month for calls.

Two reports (separate 911's) of **heavy smoke** near Mohawk Vista Drive. We responded with one vehicle (9100) in search of the origin of the smoke. There were two large burn piles that were burning. They appeared to have been ignited hours prior.

Recurring lift assist for patient being transported to Roseville for pain management education.

Escaped burn pile near Camp Lehman. PEFD paged as a mutual aid resource. We were subsequently cancelled.

Elderly female fell in kitchen – possibly a minor stroke.

Personnel Actions and Activities

Personnel: 10 Active members.

Jenni McGuire – New engineer! Jenni demonstrated – on a Sierra Valley road test – that she can safely operate an engine. She successfully passed the DMV exam on 4/11. Congrats to Jenni! I might add: she operates an engine very well!

Her next engine training will be pump operations. If you're gunna drive 'er and have to know how to pump 'er.

Gary McFarland continues in the **Quincy Fire Academy**. Graduation is 11 May.

Well Checks / Evacuation Plan / Fire Safety: Nothing to report on the well checks program. Dennis Lincoln, Larry Walker and Steve met with Plumas Pines folks to discuss evacuation. Dennis →

Fire Apparatus & Equipment

Quarterly vehicle inspections started on 24 April.

9178 has had it's four(4) rear tires replaced. This completes the tire replacement project.

Fire Department visibility in the district.

Started.

SCBA Service is scheduled for mid-May.

Plumas County Fire Chiefs Association Actions

Nothing to report. Next meeting is 5/18.

Firewise Committee Actions and Activities

Johnsville has voiced the need to become a Firewise Community. Jo Ann Fites has been in contact with Sue McCourt regarding organization and certification of Johnsville as a Firewise Community. Jo Ann has been working with the Fire Safe Council of Nevada County the last several years on Hazard Assessments and Certification Applications. She also organized the community she lives in, in Nevada County, as a Firewise Community, so she has familiarization with the process. The Fire Safe Council of Nevada County holds Defensible Space Advisory Training and she obtained certification for that. She also has have extensive experience in fire behavior modeling and fuels assessments. She is also a retired USFS employee and has over 15 years experience working on wildfires.

She spoke briefly to Johnsville residents at the public utility district meeting last summer and states she believes folks will be receptive.

An initial meeting is planned sometime in May.

Department administrative activities, actions budget and insurance

Camp Fire

Paperwork submitted, awaiting payment.

EMS

Deputy Mike Grant assessed and helped with ropes rescue equipment and has offered to train with us to further. We attached a shackle to 9153, as suggested by Deputy Grant, to make rescues safer. We look forward to working with him more.

Jim Heiland will be finishing the swiftwater technician class and be certified for swiftwater rescuer. Congrats, Jim!

Our medical director, Dr. Rudnick of NorCal EMS is leaving the position in June. The new medical director has not been chosen. Dr. Rudnick has been instrumental in helping PEFD become an online presence. If not for him, we would not be able to offer classes to firefighters in remote areas.

John Sea successfully **passed** the required **National Registry EMT examination** on 18 April in Reno. He has submitted all of the required documents and payment to NorCal EMS. His certification is forthcoming.

Questions? Concerns? Please Email them to me at JOHNSEA21@YAHOO.COM .

John Sea, Chief