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Chief's Report – March 2019

Call Reports and Training

1 medical call. Sadly another district resident has passed away.

On Wed, Feb 20 at PEF, Fire Chief Bret Russell (Beckwourth Fire District) presented a powerpoint on structure fire attack techniques as well as an overview on SCBA use. The presentation was well attended by members of PEF and LVFD. This structure fire overview was the 1st installment on structure fire fighting techniques. A 2nd installment will be at the Sierraville FD burn box sometime in early April. This will be a live burn drill!

Vehicle Extrication Training

Chief Bret Russell (Beckwourth FD) will be arranging for vehicle extrication training in the near future. This training will be at the Beckwourth FD).

Driver Training

Jenni McGuire is enrolled in an Operator 1A class hosted by Eastern Plumas Fire Protection District. This class is 40 hours of classroom/driving training instruction. Upon completion and subsequent passing of the DMV written test she will be an Operator/Engineer. In preparation for this class I will be accompanying her on approximately 5 hours of road driving in 9121.

Personnel Actions and Activities

Personnel: 9 Active members. Lewis Prince resigned on 27 Feb.

Well Checks / Evacuation Plan / Fire Safety: Nothing to report on the well checks program. I met with Larry Walker, Steve Janovick and Dennis Lincoln to brainstorm an evacuation plan for our district.

Fire Apparatus & Equipment

Jeff Train has begun repair of the FD vehicles. This is a time and materials contract. The completion date is unknown.

Plumas Eureka Officer Pay raises

I have requested a pay raise for our officers. There is an allocation of \$3,600 yearly for an assist chief. We don't have one and I don't believe we need one as I believe our officer structure is solid. I'm asking that the \$3,600 be given to the captains (\$50 raise monthly) and the chief (\$100 raise monthly).

Plumas County Fire Chiefs Association Actions

- Next Meeting is scheduled for 23 Mar at Beckwourth FD.

Firewise Committee Actions and Activities

Nothing to report

Financial Assistance from the Auxiliary, grant funding sources

I provided Larry Walker with an updated 'wish list'. On this list is:

An extrication stabilizer bar

A dry suit for ice rescue.

SCBA refill trailer. Purchase a trailer - preferably enclosed. This trailer would have approx. 8 6000psi air cylinders. GFPD will also be utilizing this refill trailer so I see no reason why they can't share the cost. Of course, I can author a grant. I'm just now get starting with this so I don't have an estimated \$\$ amount. I have requested a quote from a company out of state. This quote will give me a ballpark idea of cost. I will need to discuss this plan with GFD and get their commitment.

Department administrative activities, actions budget and insurance

Minerva pay: **Received payment. Case closed!**

Camp Fire pay: Still awaiting pay.

EMS...

John Sea awaiting National Registry exam scheduled for 1 April.

Mike Grant from the sheriff's office presented a very good overall communications overview to PEFD and LVFD personnel on 13 Feb. It was well attended by both departments.

Gary McFarland is our newest EMR as soon as the paperwork goes through NorCal. The class was completed and Gary will be a wonderful addition to medical calls. Congrats, Gary!

Several classes have been added to our continued education (CEs) and we have linked several classes as well. The number of FFs using the system remains steady and plentiful.

PEFD has completed their SCBA fit testing for this year, thanks to Julie. We used the county's machine, borrowed from and thanks to Chief Cassou at Quincy FD. Long Valley joined us last week at training and also completed their fit testing at PEFD. Our LVFD neighbors are always a welcome sight and we greatly appreciate when we can have joint trainings with them.

We have Narcan on our rescue rig now, donated to the FD by Public Health in Quincy. Thanks to Sam Blesse for bringing this resource to our attention. We also have a new airway on its way (called I-gel). We are an optional scope provider for King Airway, but do not have one. The King is being phased out by Norcal, with the Igel taking its place. The contracts are being rewritten, and we will get an Igel on board 53.

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

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