



GOLDEN GATE

Fire Protection District

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To: Board of Directors

From: Damian DiFeo, Fire Chief

Subject: May Chief's Report

Date: May 21, 2020

Administration

- No report

Personnel

- At the present time we have 11 volunteers. I am working to onboard 3 new volunteers in June, two of them will be considered in-district and one would be a shift volunteer.
- We did loose one of our shift workers this month as he took a job in Florida.

Operations

- To date we have run 25 calls and things remain slow, but I expect we will begin to pick up as the County begins to reopen.

Communications/Jeffcom

- Over the last year I have noticed an issue with our dispatching from Jeffcom. We have two radio systems VHF & 800. At the present time GGFD does not get dispatched on the 800 side unless it is a call that AMR is assigned to. So, if we get toned to a fire, we only get toned on VHF which is a problem as VHF does not work everywhere in our district. Bottom line is that it will cost us \$8,300.00 to resolve this issue, I will go into more detail on this issue and why it is occurring at the meeting.

AMR Ambulance

- No report

Strategic plan

- Will address under agenda item 5.1

Budget

- No report

Education/Training & Travel

- We have started doing Wednesday night trainings again. We did some low angle rope rescue training on the 13th and vehicle extrication on the 20th.

Inspections/planning & Zoning

- No report

Grants

- I have applied for the FEMA SAFER grant, this grant is to fund the Firefighter stipend program.
- The FEMA AFG grants I applied for are under review, this grant is for a new tender, diesel exhaust systems for all three stations and the regional radio grant with TLFD.

Stations/Maintenance/Equipment

- I have received the permit for the replacement of the station 3 septic tank. The contract to replace the tank was awarded to R.M.R Ramstetter Excavating and work should begin in a couple weeks. The tank is now completely full, and we will need to get it pumped prior to replacement.
- Thanks to Gerrit for doing some parking lot work at the stations for us.
- We replaced a faulty starter solenoid on Tender-83
- We repaired some leaky valve stems on E-81
- We purchased a pressure washer and misc. cleaning supplies for station 3
- The bollards have been installed in front of station 3

COVID-19

- We have had no confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the district that I am aware of and none of our people have tested positive for the virus.

Miscellaneous/Meetings

- I am very pleased with the new CPA and his communication between Mitsu, Dave & myself.