



GOLDEN GATE

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To: Board of Directors

From: Damian DiFeo, Fire Chief

Subject: June Chief's Report

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Administration

- Personnel policy manual is ready for adoption by the BOD.

Personnel

- We brought on two probationary Firefighters last month and currently have 15 Volunteers, 10 in-district & 5 shift personnel. We have one more application that is being reviewed at this time.

Operations

- GGFD sent a crew in a brush truck to assist South Metro Fire on the Chatridge 2 fire in Douglas County. We received a letter of appreciation from the Highlands Ranch Metropolitan District for our response.
- GGFD also responded mutual-aid to a large fire in Byers, LT Patton responded with a tender and I responded as a Division Supervisor.
- To date we have run 55 calls compared to 48 at this time last year.

Communications/Jeffcom

- We had one of the new 800 radios we purchased get damaged at a fire a few months ago. The radio was supposed to be repaired but they have now told me it is not repairable. Cost of that radio is \$3,300.00; I will be looking into claiming it on our insurance dependent on if it will increase our premium. We also had one of the new VHF wildland radios get stolen from a Firefighters vehicle, cost of that radio is \$1,200.00. I do not plan on filing an insurance claim on that radio.

AMR Ambulance

- Decision on ambulance service to be announced in August.

Strategic plan

- We have had one meeting with the research committee that was formed last month, next meeting is on August 5th.

Budget

- No report

Education/Training & Travel

- Trainings are still being handled by myself and the Lieutenants and are going well.
- I have restructured our organizational structure to separate the Training Chief/Assistant Chief position and created the position of a Volunteer Training Captain. I have sent out an application process for the Captains position to our volunteers. The Assistant Chief position will fill be filled in the future.
- I am still working on the restructuring of the first few year requirements for new members. Part of that plan is to do a joint mini academy in the first year with TLF and their new recruits. This academy will have classes taught by both GGFD & TLF in both districts. We expect the first academy to have approximately 10 recruits from TLF and 5 from GGFD.

Inspections/planning & Zoning

- I completed one driveway inspection and one plan review for a new residence in July.

Grants

- No word on when FEMA will start giving grant results.

Stations/Maintenance/Equipment

- Working on pricing to fix drainage issues at station #83
- Purchased a small air conditioner for station #82 as it was getting extremely hot upstairs.

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 have been having LT-82 use the command vehicle for the last month as he has been working from home. This allows him to respond on calls much quicker than using his personal vehicle. I have been using my personal vehicle for response as it is equipped with emergency lighting. I am currently looking for another used command vehicle.