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MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Directors
FROM: Kyle Kocimba-Benson, Fire Chief
CC: Membership
DATE: December 4, 2023
SUBJECT: **December 2023 Chief's Report**

Regional/County

State- After the failure of proposition HH, state legislature passed 4 bills through the house and senate that directly effect the funding of the fire district. The district will not receive final tax valuations until January 3rd, which has delayed the ability for all special districts to file their budgets and certify mills until January.

Jefferson County is making great progress on their CWPP. GGFPD continues to participate in the guidance in the county CWPP.

Administration

Digital information manager Becca Causey has stepped away from her position at GGFPD due to time constraints at her career job. We thank Becca for all the work she did on the website update project! Chief Benson will be meeting with SIPA the week of December 11th to make sure the project continues to completion.

Unfortunately, GGFPD was not selected for grant funding from the COCO-AIM grant to assist with the cost of our 2024 CWPP update.

Operations

These last few weeks have seasonally slowed, with 100 calls to date (several are not included in attached statistics as the call reports are still in progress). There were no specific calls of note since the last board meeting.

Probationary FF Collin Sager has completed all his preliminary training and is now cleared to run calls!

Personnel

23 operational members and 4 support services members currently on the roster.

We are excited to have brought on two new members to the operations group!

- Recruit Nick Walker, a resident of the Robinson Hill community
- Recruit Chris Creech, a resident of the Crawford Gulch community
 - o Chris Creech will be retaining the position of bookkeeper, while joining operations.

Both recruits have begun their initial training, and we look forward to getting them operational.

Training

The joint Golden Area FFII Academy concluded on December 2nd. All academy members passed their practical exam, with flying colors! The GGFPD academy members will all be taking their written exams over the next several weeks.

The GGFPD FFI academy is going well, and we have welcomed recruit Nick Walker into the academy group, bringing the academy to 6 firefighters. The recruits will be participating in their first full drill day on December 16th.

Probationary FF Drew Kenyon is wrapping up EMT school and will be cleared to run calls by the end of the month.

Impact Fee Study

The draft of the Impact fee study has been reviewed by BBC research. Jan Snyder will be making a few recommended changes, and we anticipate presenting the impact fee study to the board and public at the January meeting.

Likely Future Actions/Events

3 Month horizon

- 2024 budget finalization
- Updated fee schedule implementation
- FF-I academy
- ESO transition
- Beginning station 81 updates

6 Month Horizon

- Station updates

- Apparatus replacement plan.
- Mid range strategic plan update
- CWPP update

Strategic Concepts and Visions

- Community responder program/special teams- Medical/Wildland/Backcountry
- Defensible space home assessment program
- Community slash chipping event
- Community Wildfire Mitigation & Education initiative

Attachments:

1. Incident Statistics (2023)
2. Minor Incident Types by Month (2023)
3. Incident Type Count per Station for Date Range (2023)
4. Personnel Count per Incident for Date Range (2023)