



GRAYS HARBOR FIRE DISTRICT #2

6317 Olympic Highway, Aberdeen WA 98520

Fire Chief's Monthly Report

To: Grays Harbor Fire District 2 Board of Commissioners

From: John McNutt, Fire Chief

April 5, 2024

Personnel:

Firefighter Nick Smith travels to Boston for his first round of the hands-on portion of the class. He will be out of the area April 14 – 27. Upon his return, he will be doing clinical times at Mason General Hospital, beginning sometime in May.

The new group of volunteers is progressing well through the revamped probationary book. We have been able to align them with the classes and training needed. They are the majority of attendees at Wednesday training sessions and are meeting their shift requirements. I am happy to see them so engaged and ready to learn.

Safety:

The committee met on April 2nd and discovered that another speed bump is necessary at Station 2-1. People are driving around the current setup, and there have been a few near misses.

Operations:

Total Call Volume – 244

EMS – 58

YTD - 174

- Transport – 38
- Interfacility Transfers – 0
- Transport Refusals – 20

FIRE – 2

YTD - 4

- Structure Fire – 2

Total Fire/EMS Overlapping Calls – 16 (20%) YTD – 62 (25%)

Mutual or Automatic Aid Given - 2

- EMS – 1 (EGHFD – 1)
- Canceled in route – 1 (EGHFD – 1)

Mutual or Automatic Received – 5

- Fire – 1 (AFD – 1)
- EMS – 4 (AFD – 1, MFD – 3)

| Station Breakdown | YTD |
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| • Station 2-1 – 56 | 182 |
| • Station 2-2 – 17 | 60 |
| • Station 2-3 – 5 | 13 |

Administration

On April 2nd, a meeting was held for the residents on the W. Satsop Rd annexation project. One owner was in attendance. He will contact the neighbors and return to the district for further work.

The SAFER grant was submitted on 5 March. It was for the addition of 3 positions to the District. We will probably not hear anything further until close to July at the earliest.

Now that the large grant rush is complete, policies will become a priority again, and some may need extensive revisions.

Logistics

Facilities:

Station 2-1—We received an updated quote for the antenna replacement, which is reduced almost by half from the original quote. I will be working to schedule them for a meeting to discuss the process before we start.

Station 2-2 – DC Scherer will speak to the progress of this project.

Station 2-3 – DC Scherer is working on a contractor to paint the water tower at Station 2-3. He received a verbal quote of between \$30K and \$40K. Still, some more work is to be done on this project.

Station 2-4 – We have been working to establish a process for the surplus/sale of this station. I will present a report of information at the meeting.

Apparatus:

The ambulance remount project is moving forward. We are looking to have a pre-build meeting sometime in May to ensure no major changes are needed before work is started.

All the new LED lighting for E 2-21 has been installed and is working.

Old E 2-41 has been sold and is gone.

B 2-41 will be stripped down and prepared for transfer to HFD in the coming week.

E 2-11 has been having charging issues. We have ordered a new on-board charging unit to replace the failing equipment. The truck is still operational with a temporary charger.

There was a hose and nozzle demonstration in March. We need to review the information and start replacing these items to modernize the equipment.

PPE/Uniforms:

No significant issues to report.

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