

CHIEF'S MINUTE(s)

August 10, 2016

- Incidents** - July, 2016 9 total, 5 medical, 1 structure, 0 natural cover, 1 mva, 2 illegal burns
Fire danger rated at "High". Industrial use restrictions raised. Public restrictions still the same. No outdoor burning, no mowing or chain saws from 10 am to 8 pm continues.
We have been very quiet as far as natural cover fires go. Have to thank the public for common sense and adhering to regulations. Fourth of July-no fires
- Training** - FF1 class (with Explorers) will start again August to catch make ups and start new firefighters. Working on driving/operation of vehicles with volunteers, wet hose drills simulating fire attack, and initial attack/command procedures.
- Firefighters** - Had one former firefighter return for visit and take an application. Interested as a driver/operator. Still looks like two will be relocating/moving out of area.
- Explorers** - Suspended one explorer for disciplinary reasons and behavior. Had an overall review and status check of the program with volunteers and explorers. In most cases, we are going to train both groups separately and focus on basics for the Explorers.
- Equipment** - New 1080 - Met with General Fire representative, vehicle is being built and made some changes to specs - winch lowered to 12,000 lbs, change to style of warning lights on body, pump change to higher horsepower engine /newer version of pump as old one not available any more. Still looking at October as an estimate.
1031 - repaired tank fill line- connections had rusted away and separated during drill two weeks ago. Line fabricated at Flury, we installed.
- Inventory** - Continued purchasing for 16-17 VFA grant. Delivery of nozzles, radios, wildland helmets and gloves, hose roller. Backorder on wildland shirts, about 1/3 done with purchases.
- Facility** - Washer installed. Planning a drying system to be built in house. Bought supplies for more PPE wall racks for ffs and explorers.
Mowed and brush hogged again.
No response from public for tree/wood. Free to first taker. One of the explorers interested.
- Accounting -Office** - Met with Robert Wheeler to provide new FY 16-17 budget figures for quick books and go over budget. Should be in this meeting's financial reports. Will meet the last week of August again to finish the self audit and assemble the package for the County Clerk, close out FY15-16. We came into FY16-17 in good shape, under budget in FY15-16 in most line items and funds overall.
Had an issue with payment to credit card bill between bank and card company. \$49 will be credited to our charge account next month to rectify it. Accountant caught it.
Have bill for phone that came in late - need check for it.
- Miscellaneous** - Submitted ethics policy to SDAO for "best practices" discount. We are at 6%, need to send in verification of ethics on line training and complete a survey they are mailing out this month to get the full 10%. Due by November 1st.
Met with SDAO/SDIS appraiser for review of our facility and equipment insurance policy/values. Adjusted values of fire equipment we own after walk through. They will provide a report of their findings. No major changes and should be minimal or no effect to our premiums.