

Fire Chief's Administration Report

March 8th 2022

1. Chiefs Position

- a. I am now acting as the full time District chief as of March 1st. I would like to express my gratitude for your continued support throughout the last year and going into 2022. I am very excited and proud of our District, I am looking forward to all the great things to come.

2. Mill levy

- a. Fact sheets have been made up, community members have started to ask how they could be involved with this process. The Union has taken on getting in touch with these people and is working on getting some educational materials out.
- b. Ballot language has been sent to the election firm and they are moving along with all other aspects of the election.
- c. We will still be having an election for the board members. I do not think we have had any additional interest but since we are holding a mill levy question on the ballot we have to proceed with the election for board as well.

3. Employment positions

- a. Working on numbers still at this point and seeing what the possibility of hiring another position will look like.
- b. Currently trying to work on new updated salary schedule. This should help us in organizing where everyone will be at for wages.
- c. This will also assist in budgeting for next year as well.
- d. I will keep the board updated on the ability to offer new positions as I move forward.

4. Engine 82

- a. Engine 82 is still currently at the shop being repaired.
 - i. We should have this truck back by the end of march at the latest, just in time for ditch burning in our area.

5. Ambulance 82

- a. Insurance company thinks the ambulance will be repairable and would like to see it at a shop for further assessment. Currently working on getting it to Denver for further assessment. They estimate the damages currently to be around 40,000.
 - b. Estimated value of the ambulance is currently around 160,000
 - c. I have directed the insurance they would have to line up transport to Denver due to the fact there are no repair shops locally that will work on the ambulance. It will have to be taken to Peak Motor Coach for repair.
6. Ladder 81
- a. Still waiting on repair for the ladder truck, The mechanics should be here some time within the next week for the repairs.
 - b. No interest with the listing of this truck so far.
 - c. Lower valley has purchased a ladder from the east coast.
7. Rescue 81
- a. Rescue 81 sale is final and the truck has been picked up.
8. Door systems
- a. We have moved to the cloud based system with current solutions for the door operations.
 - b. System seems to be working a lot better without communication failures we were seeing before.
9. HRA benefit
- a. This has been submitted and the employees have already been using this service.
 - b. We canceled the other HRA benefit we had that was charging us \$65.00 a month for services that were never used.
 - c. Cards for the employees are ordered but currently waiting on supply shortage issues to get these.
10. Extrication Equipment
- a. The equipment that was donated to PV has been picked up and they are very grateful for the donation.
11. PTO
- a. PTO policy has been implemented and all changes have been made to meet the new policy.
 - b. The system is tracking appropriately and accruing as it should.

12. Chiefs meetings

- a. Mesa county chiefs meeting went well.
- b. Updates on state resources for this year
- c. Mesa county search and rescue updates and their abilities.
- d. Garfield County Chiefs meeting was hosted by De Beque this month.
- e. Discussions about COVID and mask updates.
- f. Funding discussions.

13. Training

- a. Two of our employees have now completed Ice rescue
- b. Possibility of Paramedic class for mesa county providers
 - i. Unknow what the cost will be at this time and if they will provide a create grant
 - ii. Provider must have A&P, and BIO completed prior to the beginning of class.
- c. ICS 300
 - i. Three of us will be attending an ICS 300 class in Garfield county.
- d. ICS 330
 - i. Jason will be going to the front range for 4 days to take this course.
- e. Officers will be working on furthering education to support their role as officers in the District. They will be attending training as they come available throughout the year.