

## **DIXON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY TEAM MEETING 08/03/2022**

Meeting held at Station 1 and ZOOM. Called to order 19:08

**Members Present:** Steve Jenison, Adam Mackie, Ron Monsour, Eloise Martinez, Liz Riedel, Mick Oram, Frances Griego, Gilly Valdez, , Don Ticknor, Destini Pacheco

Agenda approved. July 2022 minutes approved.

### **Officer Reports**

#### **Rescue Chief – Amanda Sena**

20 - EMS calls in July 2022. 165 EMS calls running total for this year.

Dr. Fernando Bayardo will possibly be appointed new EMS Director for Rio Arriba County.

#### **Fire Marshal Report – Ron Monsour**

1 - Fire call in July 2022 – cause was lightning strike on pinion tree put out by civilian driving by. Volunteers be aware rain will equal brush growth. Heat cause drying out and increased fuel for fires.

#### **Deputy Chief/Safety Officer – Adam Mackie**

##### **Safety:**

Personnel reporting to MVC scenes must remember to bring bunker gear with them for possible need to fight vehicle fire. Recent event, 8 responders and only 3 with bunker gear.

With the increase in rain and excessive flooding this month it is important to remember when responding to calls to never drive through running water.

Halloween Safety – Traffic vs. Pedestrians: pedestrians on both sides of the roadway, people in dark clothing in the middle of the roadway, what is our role in traffic control for Halloween events. Safety protocols for traffic control and pedestrian safety were discussed. It is important to wear proper PPE.

Vehicle stabilization – Video viewed on event in NY involving an unstable vehicle moving during extrication and trapping first responder.

Adam went over safety protocols for arriving at the scene of an MVC. First person on scene must secure hazards, checking for leaks, gas, fire by walking a complete 360 around vehicle. Next set tire chocks on wheels, put vehicle in park, set parking brake, turn off ignition, remove keys and set on dash or seat. Then you may assess casualties. It is important to remember any vehicle can move forward at anytime.

Fire Fighting is a high risk response – can cause cancer due to fumes and toxic substances.

Adam stated that all personnel should have reviewed the Standard Operating Guidelines for Personnel Accountability. If anyone has any suggestions for modifications of this document let him know. Currently there is no way of checking who is on scene, who has arrived and left, and who might be trapped/injured. If someone has bunker gear, they should have 2 metal tags. If you do not have bunker gear, do not enter the hot zone remain as support. See proposed guidelines. Question of sharing document with Rio Arriba County or just Ojo Sarco and Rio Grande was noted. Need training for all volunteer personnel.

### **Scheduled Training:**

- August 10 , 2022 – 6:30 PM Maintenance of tools and apparatus
- August 14, 2022 - No Sunday Company training. Chipping project will fill this time.
- August 17, 2022– 6:30 PM Practical and new recruit training. Notify Adam if you need some one-on-one training.

### **Chief Report – Steven Jenison**

Flash flood – Arroyo 1119/1120 wiped Acequia del Llano ditch. One house filled with mud on 280/280A.

A 90 and 91 year old couple were trapped in house.

Calls from Velarde where a house flooded – DVFD responders channeled water around house.

Drive 1119 DVFD assisted a disabled man out of flood waters. Wayne made road to assist with getting supplies to house. A propane tank was uprooted. It is important to remember water can uproot anything!

DVFD investigated gas smell and no company claimed responsibility. ( HAZMAT problem. )

Chipping event is 2/3 complete, one weekend remaining. Chief impressed with turnout and progress.

\$15000 Ecotone LLC community wildfire protection plan met with contractors to define objectives.

The Junior Cadet program very successful. We had one unplanned day of activities.

### **Old Business – Steven Jenison**

Substance Abuse/Mental Health (SAMHSA) Rural EMS Training grant was awarded \$190,000 for tuition and travel for EMT First Responder classes with focus on opioid abuse/treatment by increasing medical responses. Brian Serna is a motivational interviewer. Proposed classes will be through UNM Taos with classes taking place in Dixon, Agua Sauna, and Abiquiu starting September 22 in Dixon. A visit will take place at Penasco and Espanola High Schools.

Meeting adjourned at 20: 21