

DIXON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY TEAM MEETING 04/03/2024

Meeting held at Station 1 and ZOOM. Called to order at 19:04

Members Present: Steve Jenison, Adam Mackie, Eloise Martinez, Ron Monsour, Kathy Miller, Aaron Greenwald, Liz Riedel, Mick Oram, Don Ticknor, Kyle Kline, Zandria Kline, Tom Minnich, and Larry Gonzales, and one guest Brandon from Velarde.

April 2024 agenda approved. March 2024 minutes approved.

Steve will submit a 990EZ with the IRS since our average over 3 years is over \$50,000.00. Directors of Dixon Community Fire Department received a copy of the draft 990EZ prior to this meeting. The Directors of Dixon CFD approved the submittal of the 990EZ to the IRS.

Officer Reports

Rescue Chief – Steve Jenison for Amanda Sena

17 - EMS calls in March 2024. Our running total for 12 months is 140. Our 5 year running average is 142 so we are staying pretty consistent.

All personnel that needed to renew their EMT licenses are now relicensed. Rachel Marquez our EMS fund Director was very pleased. Rachel was very clear that if the EMS budget is not fully spent it will not be carried over

The deadline for submissions of requisitions for Rio Arriba County for supplies is April 26, 2024 for equipment and supplies. We have a fiscal year cutoff date June 30, 2024 and there is always a delay until the EMS Fund Act is actually funded. Our current balance is \$950.00 in our EMS budget.

Our ambulance is due to be inspected by the EMS Bureau for recertification sometime in the next two months. We will need to go through the ambulance and check to make sure that we have all the items that are required and not expired to pass recertification. Steve, Eloise, Tom and Kyle will do this on April 8, 2024 at 10:00 AM here at Station

Fire Marshal Report – Ron Monsour

2 - Fire calls in March 2024. We had 2 brush fires one in Acequia in Velarde and another at a residence that threatened structures. We had one MVC on SR 68 that involved a snow plow and a truck. There was a discussion regarding procedures and protocols and problems encountered with this accident.

Deputy Chief/Safety Officer – Adam Mackie

Scheduled Training:

- April 6, 2024 – 9:00 AM Wildland Wildfire Refresher course. (All day) Station 1 or Zoom. Please sign-up.
- April 10, 2024 – 6:30 PM Maintenance of tools and apparatus.
- April 14, 2024 - 1:00 PM Training & driving big apparatus. Please sign up. This will be one-on-one training.
- April 16 or 17 2024 – Hose tests will be done

The orange Floto-pump was successfully used at the Bosque fire. Adam reset the carburetor to fix the pump so it no longer smokes. So both pumps are currently working.

Adam has applied some 6" straps to hold in place the 6" suction hose on Engine 2 attaching to the metal plate, and repaired the wigwag on Engine 2.

The recruit weekend crash course will possibly be on April 20, 2024.

Adam has submitted all purchase orders for Engine 3 with Witmer, Artesia and 411 which will be carried over to next fiscal year and will take several months to be filled. Most items will be delivered to Rio Arriba County Annex except for items from 411 which will have to be picked up at 411. Adam requested that a roll-up stretcher should be purchased for Engine 3.

Chief Report – Steven Jenison

Zandria Kline was unanimously approved membership to the DVFD by the DVFD members upon the recommendation of Chief Steve Jenison. Zandria was sworn in as a new member of the DVFD.

Dixon 242 will remain here at Station 1 and it will be used to haul the chipper. Next fiscal year we will look into purchasing a building to store 242 and the chipper.

Vivint Security system was installed and failed. The System requires 4G and at this time the Dixon area only has 3G. Mick stated this problem is only a temporary situation, but was not sure how soon 4G would be available to the Dixon area. They had stopped work on the towers and will begin again once the weather permits. Mick will notify Steve when the towers have been updated so that we may try to have Vivint install the system once again. Vivint will be submitting a refund.

Mick spent many hours cleaning up a rat's nest at our radio repeater station. Mick has also upgraded the power supply for the radio repeater station. He recommended we schedule a future training and hike up to where the radio repeater is located. There are other improvements to the building and the repeater station that will need to be addressed in the near future when the weather permits.

The pancake breakfast will be held on May 19, 2024. Steve purchased a large mixer for the event which will be stored at the Mission pantry. Steve will be asking local artists who have been very generous, to donate higher value works and have a deal where you must purchase a certain number of raffle tickets in order to be eligible for the drawings for these higher end items.

Discussion on updates for the fitness area will be saved for a later date for when Peter Schwathe is available.

April 20, 2024 we will hold our Pot Luck Solar Celebration at 1:00 PM, Saturday. Ron will bring some smoked pork butt and Eloise will purchase the buns. Please bring a pot luck dish and try to be present. We will invite Remy's Good Day, local politicians and Rio Arriba Fire and EMS emergency personnel.

Meeting adjourned at 19:52