

## **DIXON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY TEAM MEETING 1/08/2025**

Meeting held at Station 1 and ZOOM. Called to order at 19:07

**Members Present:** Steve Jenison, Adam Mackie, Eloise Martinez, Mick Oram, Tom Minnich, Don Ticknor, Liz Riedel, Aaron Griego, Brianna Lucero, Jessie Nichols, Quintin Nichols, Frances Griego, Kathy Miller, Alex Amend, Wayne Archuleta, Amanda Sena, Larry Gonzales.

January 2025 agenda approved. December 2024 minutes approved.

Guest: Thomas Cordova

Thomas Cordova the architect for developing the plans for our new addition F Bay at Station 1 gave a presentation and explanation of the initial plans for the new addition. There was an extensive discussion involving, the funding, additions and changes to plans, possible contractors and the estimated cost. Thomas will make some changes to the plans with recommendations and will come up with a quote, and how much work can actually be completed with the funding we have available. Mr. Cordova will set up a meeting with DVFD at a later date to go over the changes and cost.

### **Officer Reports**

Steve stated our EMS budget balance is approximately \$6,100.00. Our EMS budget needs to be completely spent before the end of the fiscal year as we cannot carry over funding from our EMS budget. Our Fire budget is approximately \$250,000.00. The Fire budget can be carried over.

### **Rescue Chief – Amanda Sena**

13 - EMS calls in December 2024. 155 call for the last 12 months. Steve gave a short after-action review of a patient that was delirious and what the outcome was. Amanda raised the question about patients who call for medical evaluations without calling 911. Steve stated that they can proceed to do the medical evaluation but to call dispatch at 911 to issue a CAD so that it can be on record. We can also advise dispatch not to send out an ambulance from Espanola. Should things change or develop we can advise dispatch to send an ambulance.

EMT Basic Course in Chamita still needs skills proctors on Saturdays. If you can assist, please advise ahead of time so that Steve can notify Garrett and Amanda.

The side door on the new Rescue 3 needs to be repaired. When the part is in Rescue 3 will be taken to Albuquerque to have Ty Chambers make repairs. The decals on the rear windows will also be replaced. Engine 3 needs to have some minor issues addressed at 411 in Albuquerque.

FY 2026 EMS Fund Act Application completed and submitted by Steve. Steve stated he will assist other personnel on how to submit this application for next year. He submitted the FY 2026 EMS Fund Act Application for \$21,000.00.

### **Fire Marshal Report – (Ron Monsour unavailable Steve Jenison reported)**

1 – Fire call and 3 rollovers in December 2024. We had one large rubbish heap fire in Chamisal. Steve did a short after-action review. Water was being shuttled due to the fact a fire hydrant that was close to the fire was inoperable. This fire kept re-igniting and ultimately had to be bulldozed to put the fire out.

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

Adam did a short after-action review on an ATV rollover. Adam stated Eng. 2 and Rescue 3 responded. Adam stated at any MVC we need at least 2 large red apparatus for blocking and personnel need to come in proper PPE. Adam stated when prepping the landing zone, we should have been hosed it down to keep down the dust and collapsible cones should have marked the landing area. Adam went over some serious safety issues that occurred. Mick advised that we change to State Fire on handheld radios when setting up Landing Zone to be able to hear the helicopter personnel calling for instructions.

Adam gave a short after-action review on a second MVC rollover involving a large wrecker that was hauling and towing a vehicle. We were seriously short-handed of personnel at this MVC. Adam stated how necessary it is to have the proper tools and wear the proper PPE when responding to these types of calls. There was a brief discussion on safety issues with this incident.

Adam stated that even with bunker gear, Wildland gear, and bright clothing it is still necessary to wear class 2 high visibility apparel (vest) or a class 3 which is a jacket with bright yellow sleeves when on the highway at all times.

The new Rescue 3 is very long. We should keep in mind when responding to incidents at homes to keep the ambulance pulled back so that we make sure we are able to turn the apparatus around.

A rescue saw has been installed on E1 on rear driver's side compartment. Only personnel who are trained on chain saws should use this equipment. The timber chain saw will be mounted on the rear compartment of B1 before Wildland season starts.

Adam stated to remember to run all the small engines during maintenance, which include the generators on Eng. 1, 2, 3, the Holmatro on engine 3, two float pumps one Brush1 and Tender 1. Adam will take care of the chain saws.

Adam recommended that if we are keeping unit 242 we use it as a command, traffic control, rehab and a towing unit by adding proper tow bar.

**Scheduled Training:**

- January 12, 2025 - Monthly Training – 1:00 PM Training – Orientation – Rescue 3 and Engine 3.
- January 15, 2025 – 6:30 PM Maintenance of tools and apparatus.
- January 22, 2025 – 6:30 PM Practical and recruit training. Notify Adam if you some one-on-one training.

February Adam will try to get Maggie to come do additional training on SCBA. Adam is still waiting on Chama district to post an update on Forestry-Wildland training update for this year.

**Chief Report – Steven Jenison**

We will have a push-in Ceremony for E3 and R3 on Sunday afternoon, January 19, at 1:00 PM. We will be serving coffee and cake from Sugar Nymphs. Steve will invite elected officials and government officials. The Dixon community will be invited. Steve requested as many DVFD show up as possible.

Steve stated that part of NM Association of Counties Grant for community outreach includes updating our DVFD website to include more about what people can do to reduce fuel loads on their property and what they can do to make their residential structures safer in the event of Wildland fire. Jeff Spicer can meet with DVFD personnel any Wednesday or Thursday evening or any weekday during the afternoon. Steve would like additional department personnel to meet with him. He will send out an email to set up the meeting.

We have a Wildland Fire grant opportunity which Steve will speak with Alex Amend about taking the lead on this grant.

Steve is requesting assistance with the daily and monthly duties that are required to keep this department running smoothly. A shift if responsibilities are necessary in order to more fairly distribute these duties.

Meeting adjourned at 21:00