

DIXON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY TEAM MEETING 3/05/2025

Meeting held at Station 1 and ZOOM. Called to order at 19:02

Members Present: Steve Jenison, Adam Mackie, Ron Monsour, Eloise Martinez, Kyle Kline, Zandria Kline, Mick Oram, Aaron Greenwald, Liz Riedel, Brianna Lucero, Jessie Nichols, Frances Griego, Kathy Miller, Peter Schwathe, Don Ticknor, Alex Amend, Wayne Archuleta, Amanda Sena, Kevin Duckworth

Guest: Sam Maitri

March 2025 agenda approved. February 2025 minutes approved.

Officer Reports

We received our budgets from Rio Arriba County. Last month our Fire budget was \$250,000.00 and has increased to \$763,920.00. This includes the Facilities Improvement Grant of \$499,000.00 but it is reflected in the wrong line item. It is listed under apparatus instead of building improvements.

EMS current budget balance is \$5,704.34. This does not reflect reimbursement to Steve Jenison for \$1,200.00 for picking up our new Rescue 3 in Iowa. Steve is not sure if this amount will come out of our EMS budget. We need to spend all this money by early May. If we have a balance left it will revert back and be subtracted from next fiscal year's proposed budget. If we do include the \$1,200.00 our balance remaining will be \$4,504.34. We will decide if we are going to purchase the titanium Stokes basket at a later date.

Special Projects Funding EMS was \$201,010.00 plus matching funds from Rio Arriba County in the amount of \$67,003.00 to give us a total of \$268,013.00. Our remaining balance in this budget is \$331.46.

Rescue Chief – Amanda Sena

Congratulations to Kyle Kline, joining the Presbyterian Espanola ER Staff, and Amanda Sena joining the Presbyterian Espanola EMS staff.

5 - EMS calls in February 2025. 144 calls for the last 12 months. License renewals are due by March 31, 2025. Steve received Ron Monsour's agency affiliation verification but has not yet received Liz Riedel's. Liz will follow-up with the EMS office on her status.

Ron Monsour and Kevin Duckworth are waiting on the EMS office to give their verification so that they can take the National Registry of EMTs certification exam required for licensure.

Fire Marshal Report – Ron Monsour

7 – Fire calls in February 2025. First fire was on 2/01/2025. Visible from space fire! Six DVFD personnel responded. The second fire on the first was a mutual aid fire with Agua Sana. The third fire was cancelled en route. The fourth Fire was a brush fire which was a rekindle and easily extinguished. The fifth fire was a chimney fire with a right-angle bend in the chimney. Adam gave a short after-action review with recommendations as how to put the fire out. Two important recommendations Adam gave was to take the gas detector to test for carbon monoxide and the thermal imaging camera to look for hot spots in the ceilings or lofts. Adam stated we have carbon monoxide detectors and thermal imaging cameras on Engine 1 and Engine 2. The sixth fire was a mutual aid in Alcalde and IC asked DVFD to stage. The seventh call was a single MVC. Ron gave a short after-action review on this incident.

A Big thanks to Ron Monsour who has completed the pre-plans, and they are ready to be copied and placed in each vehicle. Thanks to Liz, Frances, Tom, Eloise and Steve for assisting in getting this done.

Steve contacted the State Fire Marshall's office to enter into an agreement (MOU) with the DVFD to do inspections of the business's, schools, and churches here in Dixon. They will be here to do some inspections on March 10, 2025, at 9:00 AM.

Deputy Chief/Safety Officer Report – Adam Mackie

The Floto-Pump with the broken exhaust bracket has been repaired and back in service. Engine 3 has been reprogrammed so that when the parking brake is engaged the bright flood lights in the back of the truck do not come on.

- March 8, 2025 – 9:30 AM Wildland Fire refresher (State Forestry Training) - (Taco Bar Breakfast at 9:00)
- March 12, 2025 – 6:30 PM Maintenance of tools and apparatus. (Need to start running and checking the pumps)
(If we have the batteries we will replace all of them on all the SCBA's)
- March 16, 2025 – 1:00 PM Monthly Training, Hazmat. (Wash Trucks)
- March 19, 2025 – 6:30 PM Practical and recruit training. Notify Adam if you some one-on-one training.
- April 12 & 13, 2025 – Engine Boss Class (State Forestry Training)

Adam is currently working on getting the annual service for the entire fleet. If you know of any items that need attention please advise Adam. Some items that need to be addressed are the foam indicators on Brush 1, the floodlights on Engine 2, the pressure port on Engine 2 and the brakes on Tender 1. Adam stated he will be busy with the La Limpia for the acequia and on Sunday, March 9, and he will be utilizing Brush 1, for standby, for a controlled burn.

Chief Report – Steven Jenison

ISO Survey is Tuesday, March 18, 2025, at 9:30 here at Station 1. Our last survey was seven years ago. The surveys are to be done every five years, but were delayed due to COVID. Our last survey we scored a 5/5Y. We are hoping to get a score of 4/4Y, and we have worked hard to get all the items necessary done and the documentation needed to achieve this score. One of the most important items he is looking for is water supply. One of the improvements since the last survey is that we have flow-tested the hydrants along NM580. The last survey we had only done 12 hydrants and have now increased that number to 20 hydrants. The number two item they look at is apparatuses. They are mostly interested in Engines. The third item is we responding to incidents, and how many show up to these incidents. Our records indicate responding to incidents with adequate personnel is very good. Generally, they are looking that at least four personnel respond to structure fires. The fourth item is personnel training. We currently have documented our training and incidents for the last two years on First Due and have at least 10 years or more on DVFD spreadsheets. The last thing they look at is fire inspections. We will be able to show that we intend to do inspections with our current MOU with Rio Arriba County. The new improved Pre-Plan will definitely help in this area. The last item is called Community Risk Reduction, which is a new category that shows our department works with the community to reduce fire risks. He would like as may DVFD personnel available here at Station 1 while ISO personnel are present.

All the paperwork for the PERA Volunteer Firefighter reports have been completed and submitted. If you want to know how many service credits you have you will have to check them on the Rio self-serve site for PERA.

A new kitchen vent has been installed at the Mission Kitchen and will be ready for use for the May 18, DVFD Annual Pancake Breakfast.

NMAC grant outreach and education grant has been paid to date. We are finishing up the grant with Jeff Spicer updating the DVFD Website and adding a focus on wildfire risk reduction, as well as developing a mailer to mail out to everyone in Dixon and Embudo. Once finished we will have a new Content Management System (CMS) for our website. This website will be something we can modify much more easily.

We have no update on the addition to Station 1 except that Mr. Cordova is going to have someone from the environmental department to check out our septic system to see how we can tie in the new addition.

Alex stated we have two Wildland Fire grant opportunities. Friday is the deadline for submitting the application through the NMAC a Fuel reduction grant. We have had three grant awards for three years in a row from the NMAC. We will be applying for \$50,000.00 with a \$5,000.00 match to give us two chipping projects one in the spring and one next winter. The second CDWG grant we will apply for with a deadline of March 18, 2025, is also for fuel reduction, for the same amount of money. We will contract with Baby Gorilla so that we can have some professional help to get this done. Alex stated we do have SOG's for chipping which were developed with the help of Anthony Alvarez.

We now have two ARB Essentials Recovery Kits which include an ARB 19,800lbs Ultra-Light Snatch Block, two type S galvanized 4.75t rated shackles, one set of cow grain leather palm with cow split leather back gloves, a 10ft ARB Recovery Tree Protector, and the updated 600gsm recovery bag with multiple compartments highlighted in the ARB topographic styling. These Recovery Kits will be located on the apparatuses with winches. We will have a training on recovering vehicles.

Rescue 3 had the induction charging performance load installed. Make sure to plug in the shoreline when back at the station. The decals have been replaced on the back of Rescue 3.

We have not heard anything yet on the UTV with Firehouse Subs.

If you need to take the Hazmat training and can't get into the FEMA training, there are several hazmat trainings on the Fire Engineering module that you can also take.

Meeting adjourned at 21:00