

Downieville Fire Protection District

Commissioners Meeting

Wednesday October 18, 2023
3:00 pm, Downieville Community Hall

Officer's Report

Thought of the Day "If you want something you never had, you must do something you have never done before." Unknown

1. September Dispatched Incident

- a. **Downieville:** Medicals 14, Help Line 1, Medical UC'S 10, Public Assist 1, SO Mutual aid.
- b. **Sierra City:** Medicals 6, Help Line 1, Smoke Check 1
- c. **Pike:** : Medical 1/ 1144
- d. **Alleghany:** 0

2. Grants Update, Quarterly updates completed.

- a. Regional Communication Grant, sponsored by Ben Edwards Sierra Dist. 1 No update.
- b. Submitted a brief application to the National Volunteer Council for turnout gear Received a "sorry not selected" email.
- c. California Fire Foundation, Received a check for \$15,526,
 - a. All equipment has been ordered and is coming under numerous Invoices.
- d. No other grants in the works.

3. Cal Fire inspections.

- a. A Defensible Space Inspector from Cal Fire visited Downieville and performed inspection/prevention education.
- b. When made aware of the process, senior Cal Fire officials quickly backed off for now, We need to be aware that prevention is extremely important and a local program should be started. In conjunction with the Forest Service.

4. Pre-positioning

- a. Because of the recent weather patterns the need for pre-positioning has ended.

5. Apparatus

- a. **7342**, Still in the shop, will pick up tomorrow Thursday
- b. **7341**, New studded tires
- c. **7340**, Need Studded tires for this winter.

6. Communication

- a. Still working on an in-town repeater.
- b. Hardware, reprogramming, and training main hurdles.
- c. Need a work party at Ruby Bluff to waterproof the roof and fix electrical conduit.
- d. Set up 2 new dispatcher radios. Asking for approval to purchase another complete system to have in reserve.

7. Station 2

- a. Ordered 2 30" by 36" electric floor mats, Will evaluate for efficiency and construct appropriate deployment.
- b. Doors have been repaired, still anticipating further repairs before winter.

8. Type 3 and pump trailer, No new update

- a. Pump Trailer Still searching. Ie. (1000 plus gallon per minute pump)
- b. TYPE 3. Still actively searching for the right units. Ie. (1000 gpm pump, 4x4,, 4 seat cab)

9. Proposed fire breaks No new update.

- a. Still under discussion There is a proposed work location in the Red Ant Mine area.
- b. If they decide to do any work, it may not be until next spring.

10. Training

- a. Working on Chimney fires, roof ladders
- b. SCBA's

6. Personnel

- a. No new personnel and or pressing concerns.

Conclusion, Questions, Comments, Constructive Criticism?