

GOLDEN GATE Fire Protection District

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To: Board of Directors

From: Damian DiFeo, Fire Chief

Subject: September Chief's Report

Date: October 7th, 2021

Administration

No report

<u>Personnel</u>

- Currently have 18 members on the department including myself.
- Captain Stone will be resigning and moving out of station 82 at the end of the month, we thank him for his 8 years of service to the department.

Operations

- We have run 93 calls to date, compared to 82 at this time last year at the current run rate I expect we will be well above the 99 we ran last year and most likely set an all-time high for call volume in one year.

Communications/Jeffcom

- Received the new 800 radio the auxiliary purchased

Stadium Ambulance

- No report

Strategic planning

- The GGFD Chief, the TLFD Chief and two board members from each district are meeting on October 11th to review the study document and discuss future possibilities between the two departments.

<u>Budget</u>

- I have the draft budget for presentation and discussion tonight, biggest highlight is the 90K allocated for the remodel of station 81.

Education/Training & Travel/

- Beginning planning for a 2022 fire academy with TLFD
- We will also be working on a new training calendar structure for 2022

Inspections/planning & Zoning

- Completed one final driveway inspection

<u>Grants</u>

- Still working out the details on the joint recruitment/retention FEMA grant we were awarded.

Stations/Maintenance/Equipment

- I met with the architect and reviewed his preliminary designs for station 81. He is making some adjustments to the design and will send it over when completed for the station committee to review. Once the committee agrees on the design, I will send it to the Board for comments.
- We expect to apply for permits and begin demo in November/December.

Miscellaneous

- Proposition 120 has made it onto the November ballot. If this proposition is passed it could result in a 10% reduction in revenue for tax years 2022 & 2023. We need to check with our counsel and see if the language on our ballot initiative A that was passed allows us to adjust our mill levy to compensate for this. Below is a website that will better explain this complicated issue.
- https://commonsenseinstituteco.org/proposition-120-property-tax/

Chief activity/meetings since last board meeting

- Attended Central Fire monthly EMS meetings (Golden Fire)
- Attended Mountain Chiefs meeting (Evergreen)
- Attended Jefferson County Fire Marshals meeting (zoom)
- Responded to 4 calls.
- Had meeting at TLFD to discuss FEMA grant (TLFD)
- Attended a response area meeting with Jeffcom & Fairmount (zoom)
- Did an interview with the Mountain Chief's and channel 7 news regarding prop 120 (Inter canyon Fire)