

January 12, 2015



Fire Chief's Report

- Strategic Plan update
 - 2014 incident analysis complete.
- December storm
 - Great job by firefighters during storm event on Dec 11-12. An MCI involving one fatality right before the winds started severely impacted our department. There were at least 30 storm related calls on top of our regular call volume over approximately 12 hours.
- Community Events
 - Santa Run on 12/19
 - Very successful, thanks to everyone who helped
- Labor Management Meeting (1/5)
 - Consecutive hours worked – Currently the chief must give approval for a firefighter to work 72 consecutive hours. We agreed to remove the approval requirement. This will result in more firefighters in the available pool for an OT shift.
 - Discussed Duty Officer program. If we decide to continue with Captain participation there may have to be a discussion on increased compensation. At this time we do not believe the Captains will continue to participate as they have the past six months.
- Officer's Meeting (1/5)
 - Reviewing/revising Duty Officer program
 - Expect vehicle specs to be sent soon to manufacturers for replacement tender and ambulance
 - Fire Inspection training to be completed first part of January. Current inspection form may be overly specific in detail. We will be looking at forms used by other departments.
 - We are down to five new recruits. Discussed ability to allow possible volunteer recruits to ride with crews before committing to fire, EMS, hazmat training. Some initial training would be required, e.g., CPR and BBP, along with a background check. These recruits would be observers only.
- Final approval of shop project
 - Total cost previously approved by Commissioners was \$135,158.71
 - Final payment of \$10,866.69 to be released once we receive approval from D of R and L&I
 - Project completed, approved by Project Manager and AC Helgeland
 - Board needs to approve project completion and authorize release of final payment