

December 27, 2016



Fire Chief's Report

- 1) A couple of incidents of Note – MVC with two fatalities on the 13th hit the crews on scene pretty hard. It's going to be one of those calls that sticks with you your entire life. We had a CISM team from Kent come in to help the crews with the call. HazMat call today – We had an abandoned van on the Camano Chapel property. Initially had smoke or vapor emanating from the vehicle. A Deputy on scene reported breathing issues and was eventually transported to the hospital. HazMat team could not detect anything dangerous once they arrived. Unfortunately it then became Camano Chapel's problem.
- 2) Assistant Chief position – Capt. Allen has turned down the AC job offer. One of the many reasons he was a good fit was that this allowed us to fill the daytime training officer position. Fortunately he would like to continue as the training officer as a shift Captain. Consequently I have reanalyzed what is not being currently covered and our need for an Assistant Chief. One of our big issues is volunteer recruitment and retention and public education. I have currently assigned volunteer oversight to Lt Mark Norman under the guidance of BC Waite. With the opening of the SAFER grant I would like to ask the Board to make this a full time staff position contingent on us being awarded a grant. This would be a non-responding position with the duties as outlined.
- 3) Paramedic Hiring Plans – With Capt. Allen turning the job offer down we anticipate there will only be two upcoming paramedic openings. Unfortunately we are competing against quite a few area departments. We will need to start the assessment process immediately. North County is also in the process of hiring a medic and they recently generated a list of three candidates. Chief Cermak has offered us the remainder of their list once they have finished the hiring process. I am also very interested in hiring a medic with no fire certs and then sending them to North Bend or having them attend an in house fire academy.
- 4) Donated ambulance – Have not heard from group but I anticipate they will be attending an upcoming Board meeting.
- 5) Vehicle status – Our newest engine, HME, is currently out of service with a long list of problems. Today we had another ambulance go OOS with a known issue, head gasket, which we were hoping we could stretch out for a couple of years. Right now we need a new engine and a new ambulance. If we sell the property currently on the market I anticipate coming to the board with a request to purchase another ambulance in 2017 which is ahead of our adopted vehicle replacement schedule.

Vol/Pub Ed Coordinator

1. Volunteer program
 - a. Recruitment
 - b. Training coordination

2. Public education program
 - a. School outreach
 - b. Senior outreach
 - c. Business outreach

3. Special events coordination
 - a. EMS Week
 - b. Fire Prevention Week
 - c. Open House

4. CPR/First Aid program
 - a. Coordinator
 - b. Lead instructor

5. Community Liaison
 - a. CERT
 - b. CPG
 - c. Ladies Auxiliaries
 - d. Disaster follow-up

6. EMT Class
 - a. Coordinator
 - b. Lead instructor

7. Cadet Academy
 - a. Coordinator
 - b. Lead instructor

8. *Other possible duties*
 - a. *Web Site*
 - i. *Maintenance*
 - b. *Social Media Coordinator*
 - i. *Facebook*
 - ii. *Twitter*
 - iii. *Other media venues as needed*