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Fire Chiefs Report to the Board

05 Apr 2024

Call-outs

- Since last SPID report on 12 Mar 2024 there has been one (1) First Responder (FR) callout

Practices

- Normal Tuesday training & Wednesday knowledge briefs are ongoing
- Running bi-weekly weekend training sessions to expedite training of new members

Purchasing

- Materials for the training facility & to outfit the forestry trailer
- Two (2) sets of turnout gear to replace time expired items
- Truck batteries on E75 replaced
- Traffic Control Safety Signs for roadway training

New Items for Info/Discussion

- UBCM Emergency Services 2022 Grant on 'FD eqpt & training resources'
 - UBCM has confirmed that they have received the grant final report
 - Still waiting on final cheque payment
- UBCM Emergency Services 2023 Grant on 'FD training facility & eqpt upgrades'
 - Digital ATTACK training equipment has arrived with invoice submitted for payment
 - Fire-rated thermal imaging camera (TIC) on order
 - Final Grant Report will be submitted as soon as TIC is received
- UBCM funding manager has confirmed that Improvement Districts are eligible for FireSmart funding
 - Improvement District cannot directly apply, but Regional District is expected to apply on our behalf
 - As such, the Regional FireSmart coordinator will cover Association chipping weekend up to \$5K expenditure
- SPVFFA chipping weekend scheduled for 04-05 May 24
 - With access to \$5K funding, Association is looking at most effective way to deliver the service
 - IAW Grant criteria, homeowner is not allowed to retain the chips due to fire fuel loading
- Burn permits will once again be required for all back yard burns effective 15 Apr 2024
- Training has commenced on upgrading all FRs on the EMA increased scope of practice
 - Increased protocols will allow us to better serve the community on an FR callout
 - Red Cross Instructor Certification course completed
 - All equipment required to support update has been purchased/received thanks to Association funding
 - Training to be scheduled