

# **Pender Island Fire Rescue**



## **Fire Chief's Report May 2022**

# Service Delivery

Code Number	2022 Call Description	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Quantity
1	Structure Fire			1										1
2	Chimney Fire		1		1									2
3	Vehicle Fire	0												0
4	Grass Fire	0												0
5	Forest Fire	0												0
6	Burn Complaint		2		4	2								8
7	First Response	10	12	13	4	8								47
8	Ambulance Assist	7	10	6	1	6								30
9	RCMP Assist	1												1
10	Smoke Sighting			1										1
11	Chemical Spill	0												0
12	Oil Spill	0												0
13	Fuel Spill	0												0
14	Gas Leak			1										1
15	Appliance Fire	1		1										2
16	Hydro Lines Down/Incidents	7	1	1	1	7								17
17	Smoke Smell	0				1								1
18	Motor Vehicle Incident		1		1									2
19	Miscellaneous	0												0
20	Plane Crash	0												0
21	Search & Rescue	0												0
22	Alarm Bells	1	1			1								3
23	Public Assist / Good Samaritan	1			2	4								7
24	Rope /Embankment Rescue	0												0
25	Illegal Burn / Illegal Equipment Use		1		1									2
<b>All</b>	<b>Calls to Date</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>29</b>								<b>125</b>
All	Calls from Previous Year													99

## **Administration:**

- CRD Fire Prevention Bylaw revision in progress.
- Project office electronic clean-up underway. Big job. Another month.
- Posted summer student job. Unable to attract two applicants! Hired one Student.
- New Fire Officer Position has been posted. Three applications have been received to date.

## **OPERATIONS:**

### **FIRE PREVENTION:**

- **Commercial Inspections**  
Continuing on schedule. Pre-plans are being reviewed and updated as inspections are completed.
- **Short and Long Term Stay Fire Safety Self- Assessment Program**  
Compiling data base. Many B&Bs who can be invite to participated have been identified.
- **Fire Department Management Program**  
CRD has issued an RFP for a new Records Management System for all the CRD departments.  
Attended presentations on the two finalists.  
Evaluated programs on merit.

### **FINANCE:**

- **2023 Budgets**  
Operations/Capital/wages

### **BCAS:**

- Has been doing a good job of staffing with little assistance needed for drivers.
- Medical calls are still a large part of our call responses

### **CAPITAL PROJECTS:**

- **Fire Truck** One bid received. \$200,000 over budget. Reworked the requirements to absolute minimum reduced price to \$550,000 still \$150,000 over expected. Delivery in 2023.

### **EQUIPMENT & FACILITIES**

- **Apparatus Inspections and Maintenance**  
Weekly and Monthly Truck Checks at Hall #1 are being completed by Career Staff.  
  
Weekly and monthly Truck checks for Hall 2 and 3 successfully completed by Fire Fighters assigned to the task.

### **PERSONNEL**

- **Health and Wellness**  
Health and wellness is continues to be focused on COVID19 prevention and operational procedures. With the opening of businesses and the increase in numbers, we will continue to do our best to keep our members safe while they keep the community safe.

### **TRAINING**

- Thursday night training at Hall #1. New recruits are now joining in.

- There is a general spirit uplifting being felt with member, restrictions being lifted and the weather getting better.

**SPECIAL NOTE:**

- There has been a big push to showcase the inner workings of Pender Island Fire Department by increasing the posts on Facebook. This includes more video, which seem to have a lot more impact with the community.
- We also were able to conduct a practice and tie it in as a forestry practice by doing an all hands clean up at Pender Island Cemetery, which has had a very successful impact with the community as well as a sense of feel good and pride among the members.

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