

# **Pender Island Fire Rescue**



## **Fire Chief's Report July 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	2	1						11
7	First Response	10	12	13	4	8	8	11						66
8	Ambulance Assist	7	10	6	1	6	4	3						37
9	RCMP Assist	1												1
10	Smoke Sighting			1			2	1						4
11	Chemical Spill	0												0
12	Oil Spill	0												0
13	Fuel Spill	0					2	1						3
14	Gas Leak			1			1							2
15	Appliance Fire	1		1										2
16	Hydro Lines Down/Incidents	7	1	1	1	7		5						22
17	Smoke Smell	0				1		1						2
18	Motor Vehicle Incident		1		1		1							3
19	Miscellaneous	0												0
20	Plane Crash	0												0
21	Search & Rescue	0												0
22	Alarm Bells	1	1			1	1	4						8
23	Public Assist / Good Samaritan	1			2	4	6	2						15
24	Rope /Embankment Rescue	0												0
25	Illegal Burn / Illegal Equipment Use		1		1		3	5						10
<b>All</b>	<b>Calls to Date</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>34</b>						<b>189</b>
All	Calls from Previous Year	22	17	24	23	13	23	46						168

## 1. ADMINISTRATION:

### CRD

- Fire Prevention Bylaw 3452 revision in progress. 3<sup>rd</sup> Review completed.
- Lt. Todd Bulled engaged for the position of fire officer. Start date September 5<sup>th</sup> 2022.

### Fire Department Management Program

- CRD has reached conclusion on the final candidate for the FDM program.

- CRD is commencing final negotiations.
- CRD held two more meetings with the Fire Chiefs and we continue to wait.

## **2. OPERATIONS:**

### **BCAS**

- Low driver staffing issues seem to have been resolved.

### **Apparatus and Equipment Inspections and Maintenance**

- Weekly and monthly Truck Checks at Hall #1 are being completed by Career Staff and summer students.
- Weekly and monthly Truck Checks at Hall #2 and #3 successfully completed by POC Fire Fighters.
- Hose Testing in progress.
- Fire Extinguisher Inspections and service has been completed.
- Fire Apparatus deep cleaning and detailing in progress.
- Fire Hall windows have been cleaned.

### **Training**

- Thursday night training at Hall #1.
- Fire fighter training for the four recruits who started in January is taking a summer break and will resume in September.
- The arrival of a small drone for training purposes has sparked some excitement amongst the Fire Fighters. We are just figuring out how to manage and govern the implementation for using the piece of equipment.

### **Calls**

- Although the call stats reflects no Technical Rescue we are often called upon to extricate patients from difficult locations like parks, trails, difficult access properties and beaches. These calls require special skills but are usually recorded as BCAS assist or FR calls not technical rescue. July example would be Brooks Point Extrication.

## **3. 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.

### **Events**

- Burger night at the Legion
- BBQ at the Wein Farm
- Pride Parade

### **Public Education**

- Interactive display at the Saturday Markets

## **Media**

- The push to showcase the inner workings of Pender Island Fire Department by increasing the posts on Facebook has been an overwhelming success. Thanks to Lt Bulled for his work on keeping this up to date. This includes more video, which seem to have a lot more impact with the community.
- A recent Cardiac Resuscitation post was an extraordinary example with thousands of hits.

## **4. FINANCE**

### **Budget**

- 2023 Budget Forecasts for Operations / Capital / Wages – 1<sup>st</sup> draft budgets are complete and ready for PIFPS board approval.
- 2022 Budget year-to-date on track.

## **5. CAPITAL EQUIPMENT & FACILITIES**

### **Fire Truck Purchase**

- Initial drawings have been reviewed and we are waiting for the final draft.
- Fire Halls #1, #2 and #3 Improvements.
- Painting has commenced on all three halls.

## **6. PERSONNEL**

- Work continues on the creation of employee contracts.
- Duty Scheduling continues to be a challenge but remains successful.

## **7. HEALTH, WELLNESS and OH&S**

- Health and Wellness is continues to be focused on COVID19 prevention and operational procedures. With the reopening 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.
- It has become obvious that there is a big crossover with the Wellness Committee and the OHS Committee, therefore the committee positions have been re-elected and the two committees combined to better serve the membership.

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