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May's training was oriented around wild fire season. We pulled our brush truck and chiefs truck equipped with a slide in brush fire pump down to the town dock. We always clean the town dock every spring before the masses desend upon the island. We spayed water with the two trucks, in addition deployed our two portable pumps from tankers one and two and ran hose lines off these as well. My favorite tanker three with its on board pump was exercised with hose lines to boot. Tanker three is pretty special because of its on board pump and 1800 gallon water capacity. It can be pulled into situations our larger pumpers may not navigate as easily and can pump a lot of wet stuff onto the red stuff (fire) side note from this training is the ferry dock was pretty darn clean before we started so we just polished it up a bit.

Three new recruits and three seasoned veterans completed part one of fire fighter 1 entry level training this month. We are proud of Roman ,Kai and Kevin as the instructor said they were a pleasure to train whereas the other vets were a bunch of "know it alls" They will complete part two this fall .

I need to mention the recent call Sunday June 5th with this report as it is very fresh in our minds. Three in the morning we received a call from dispatch toned out for a vehicle accident with injuries, I was the second emergency responder on scene and assumed incident command from Alex Nelson EMT. A pickup truck had crashed into some trees at what appeared to be a high speed accident The sound of the crash was very luckily heard by campers at big bay Town park. Seeing that this was terrible accident they dialed 911. First responders concluded the only person in the vehicle was the driver trapped inside. At this point EMT's Alex and Riley assessed and calmed the driver. I communicated with the fire department responders to bring emergency vehicle "dale" and engine 2 with our battery powered genesis extacation tools (the jaws of life) as we had an individual trapped in compromised vehicle. I took the few minutes it took our department to arrive to come up with the first steps of extrication. Captain Eldred and his boy Andrew went to work immediately upon arrival. By this time the ambulance was also on scene with Sarah and Marty. Fire fighter Kyle Krutchin and officer Rossenberger joined the team to make 9 responders. This team did an amazing well executed job to free the driver from the wreckage. He was loaded into the ambulance and rushed to the ferry. Im choosing to leave out many details for many reasons but needed to report this as we saved this young man's life.

Respectfully submitted Chief Reichkitzer As always be safe

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