

## **Fire Department February 2024**

### 2/7 training

Water shuttle training with multiple portable ponds. Each of the 3 tankers have collapsible water storage "ponds" that we deploy during calls that need plenty of water. Tankers dump their load into these ponds and head to the trailer pump/dry hydrant to refill and repeat the process. We are training to use multiple ponds (2-4 connected together) and feeding Engine 2; it acts as a manifold delivering water to Engine 1, which can be 1-2 thousand feet away. Engine 1's multiple hose lines supply water to the fire.

21 members present, 4 excused absences, 4 non-excused absences, 1 extended leave

### 2/21 planning meeting

7 members present

### Notable happenings.

Assistant chief Alan Hardie is on an extended leave from the department until further notice. Assistant chief Joseph Wiltz will assume all assistant chief duties.

Assistant chief Hardie was in charge of our drone program as well. Next in line is Jack Nelson, who at 16 years of age will do just fine with this responsibility. Drone pilots are licensed and, besides Jack, Andrew Eldred received his training; two more members are in the process.

New recruits starting Firefighter 1 training as follows:

Kai Castillo  
Kevin Crawford  
Lilah Guertin  
Shadi Joudeh  
Hillary Nelson  
Jack Nelson  
Nick Mantano  
Nathan Reichkitzer

If you see these recruits on the street, please wish them luck and thank them for their time.

Be safe,  
Chief Reichkitzer

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