



**GRAND LAKE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
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**Chief's Report for March 5, 2019**

**Calls year-to-date: 38**

Fire: 8  
EMS: 23  
Other: 7

**Apparatus, Facilities and Equipment:**

- The boat cover is being ordered and the Three Lakes Watershed Association has agreed to reimburse for the costs! Thank you very much and we will be sending a letter of appreciation and support.
- Firehouse Subs grant submitted for \$50,000 in Structural PPE to replace out of date sets, timeline tbd.
- The four sets of structural PPE previously ordered have arrived and placed in service.
- DFPC grant submitted for \$10,000 in structural gloves and particulate hoods, timeline tbd.
- Working on quotes on new 4 door wildland deployment Type VI.
- Working on quotes for remount of existing Type VI.
- Working on quote for new Quick Response Vehicle (QRV) and equipment in conjunction with MPHS Clinic at Grand Lake Center. Paramedic from Snowmobile fire incident interested in position.
- Assistant Chief will be utilizing 373 until another command vehicle can be secured.
- Working on Advanced Life Support equipment and protocols for EMTB-IV skills with district with Dr Paulsen.
- Purchased and placed in service additional SAR cold weather gear and safety equipment.
- Established use of personal flotation devices for use on all ice rescue and water rescue calls.
- Possible Ladder Truck donation from Grand Fire Protection District. Grant potential.
- Relocated EMS to south side of bay due to ice issues.
- Relocated trucks to facilitate pull thru of primary response Engine 361.
- Performed inventory on wildland equipment and deployment gear. In good shape except for needing a

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few wildland packs.

-Developing plan to add a wall to the bunker gear area to protect fire gear from vehicle carcinogens. Approx. \$1500 to \$2000 for project.

-Utility savings on light installation was less than expected. Attempting to see if rates have changed or if it was a partial month's savings. Will update next month on progress.

-FF Nelson in talks with another local contractor and Middle Park Electric about the solar project.

-Potential partnership with the Sheriff and SAR to house their equipment at Station 3 in the empty bay in exchange for \$8,500 a year to be utilized for department SAR equipment.

-Quote in for 10 sets of Structural PPE at \$23,850.

### **Operations:**

-GCEMS continues to be out of district for extended periods of time. Working with Dr Paulsen to ensure adequate treatment of Grand Lake residents and visitors.

-Met with Chief Jennings concerning Grand Lake coverage concerns. No resolution.

-Ongoing meetings with County Commissioners to discuss EMS concerns and long-term potential mergers with Grand Fire. Requests out to gather proposals on feasibility from consultants.

-CEMSIS database updated in order to apply for grants in the future.

-Colorado EMS licensing system updated to allow recertification of employees.

-NREMT updated to reflect current roster of employees and current training officers.

-Updated Federal Incident Qualification System (IQS) to reflect current personnel and certification.

-Established Crew sense application to track scheduling and payroll online to facilitate faster processing and a more streamlined payroll system. Up and running and should have training this month with personnel to operate. April payroll should be done utilizing new system.

-Established Lexipol system to begin transitioning to the online portal for Department Policies and Procedures. It will be a six-month process to fully implement.

-SAR incident at Idleglen partnered with Sheriff and SAR in a unified command. Expeditious results.

-Region wide program to break large areas up into smaller pre-planned areas to allow for containment, resource allocation, resource ordering and evacuation in partnership with the USFS.

-Met with USFS about multi agency teams and utilization of local resources for severity coverage.

-Ordered and awaiting install of two Mobile Data Terminals (MDTs) in 364 and 361.

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### **Administrative:**

-New Assistant Chief of Wildland, Training and Personnel Services scheduled to start the week of March 11, 2019. His name is Seth St. Germain and he will be joined in Grand Lake by his wife and three children. We are excited to have them joining the GLFPD family.

-All employee evaluations are complete and the Lieutenants will be reevaluated in 90 days.

-Individual meetings are ongoing with all personnel to review their experience and goals for the future.

-The seasonal wildland position posting is out to the county, state, public media and on our website. 7 applicants so far. Interviews scheduled for March 15, 2019 with an estimated start date early to mid-April. Hoping to hire 4-6 seasonal employees to facilitate keeping two trucks assigned out of district.

### **Department Training:**

-PIO staff training to be held monthly.

-State Proctor class in Hot Sulphur March 5, 2019; attendees: Lt. Mark Piller, Lt. Mike Arntson, Richard McGraw.

-Lt. Piller to attend State Fire Instructor I training in Carbondale. Paid for his time as it is required in his job description.

-Working with the State DFPC to locate a Fire Officer I class for our Lieutenants.

-Snow mobile training ongoing with several members signed off on use.

-Ice Rescue training was a success with approximately 28 newly certified or recertified rescuers within the county.

-CEVO training completed and driver operator training on-going to get the new members up to speed on apparatus operations.

-Monthly Continuing Medical Education (CME) will be moved to the last Tuesday of the month and will also include more in-depth department case reviews to be provided by the GLFPD crews to Dr Paulsen.

-Weekly GLFPD training will be moved to Tuesday evenings to coincide better with the rest of the county and allow for multiagency trainings on the fifth Tuesday evening of the month.

-Working on bringing a 1403 Live Fire Instructor class to Grand County to facilitate better training.

-Wildland student requests sent in for partnership classes in April.

-Sent all wildland class information to the Sheriff's Office for distribution and inclusion of his officers.

-Crews attending GCEMS CME training weekdays in Granby on duty.

-Upcoming Annual Refresher RT 130 class and Arduous Pack Test to follow. Will be completed by end

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**Community Partnerships/Public Education:**

-Participated and won the Annual Carnival Bed Sled Race! Congratulations to Jake Dunn, Jarred Nelson, Zack Valentine, Cooper Knochenmus and a special thanks to Samantha Bruegger.

-Columbine Homeowner's Association meeting in May.

-Columbine Homeowner's Association CPR and AED Training tbd.

-Possible partnership with On the Trail Rentals to secure two snow mobiles per year at the end of their season for our use the following season.

-Partnership intern with Western Illinois University EMT student next week.

-Partnership with Western Illinois University Fire Management Program for their Field Internship Program for 16 weeks in Spring 2020.

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