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**ACTION ITEMS**

Indian Peaks Radio Club – The Indian Peaks Radio Club is losing their space in the west wing of the Community Center. They approached me and asked if we would provide them with space for a monthly meeting and room for a table with a radio on it.

**FOLLOW UP**

Shady Hollow inclusion – I have received all of the needed deeds for the inclusion and the residents now are working on signing the petition for inclusion. Sherry is assisting with notarizing all the documents.

**OTHER UPDATES/INFORMATION**

**Calls of significance:**

Adverse reaction to intentional injection of toad venom; Pt was subsequently flown to a Denver hospital for specialized care.

Motorcycle crash in Boulder Canyon, Pt separated from motorcycle and then was struck/runover by another vehicle.

MVC in Boulder Canyon requiring crew to winch vehicle out of traffic.

Head on collision on bridge at 1st Street and 119. Crews quickly cleared vehicles off scene to open bridge to traffic.

Staged for SWAT callout in downtown Nederland.

## OPERATIONS/WILDLAND

## Bay door in front of 5631 had seal added to mitigate drafts.

## To date, we have lost 4 of our new high bay LED lights. I called the manufacturer, and they have agreed to replace all 12. They all arrived on Monday.

## After one of our big snowstorms, snow was pushed with one of our plow trucks against the neighbor’s fence, and Captain Moran was able to winch the fence back into proper position.

## Captain Moran submitted DFPC FF Safety Grant request for a second Lucas device.

## New realtor box with backup key was added to Station 3, Captain Faes is adding a garage door opener keypad as well.

## Boulder County Communications had a major overhaul of CAD and were unable to page out calls for 5 hours on 1/23 Captain Faes monitored radios in he early hours of the morning.

## We received three new sets of bunker gear. One pair of pants had to be sent back d/t improper fit.

## Cot and stair chair were ordered for new ambulance. This is part of the EMTS grant which requires it to be delivered by June, 2024.

## Stair climber was donated to the FD by the Community Center. It is currently operational, but may need to be moved d/t ceiling clearance height.

## Purchased three cabinets and replaced a mattress to be used by Captains allowing them to share one bunk room so more rooms are available for night shift staffing by other members/recruits.

## Captain Faes rectified snow build up at fire stations utilizing my bobcat.

## Access issues at Station 3 have been resolved

## SCBA bottles are being hydrotested, Captain Faes collected all the bottles from all the stations and set the testing at MES. I brought 34 bottles to Denver, leaving only the main bottles on our vehicles in service.

## Station 1 gas leak fixed by XCEL. Captain Wheelock noticed a leak by the main gas line for the station. Captain Faes was able to contact XCEL, they responded, fixed the leak, and told us that the gas lines are improperly installed. At some point they will be removing the concrete behind the station to remedy this.

## Captain Moran and Firefighter Luna did all necessary cutting on limbing trees for Wildfire Partners at Station 1 to get our certification.

## I went to Bradenton Florida to Pierce Manufacturing with Firefighters Richardson and Scott Papich to finalize the build on our new engine. After 2 days sitting in a conference room going over the build line by line we have our final build. From the time we ordered, the engine price has gone up 21%. Fortunately we are locked in to the price in the contract we signed.

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## VEHICLES

## Captain Faes is assisting Daniel Murphy with fabrication for 5631, he has built the spare tire holder, the manifold, the throttle linkage and the mount for the control panel.

## 5633 – leak in the pump had been repaired

## 5653 – hydraulic plow pump was flushed out; was still having issues, parts have been ordered for the plow and is now back in service.

## 5654 – all chains were repaired

## 5624 – scene lights had new batteries replaced and mounted in the rear.

## 5602 – garage door switch replaced

## 5601 – rear fill valve and drain repaired

## Winch kits were ordered for 5624 and 5650

## EMS

## Still waiting on King Vision parts to arrive.

## Updating credentialing for the state.

## Trying to find a sponsoring hospital for our EMT program. The search continues.

## SAFETY/TRAINING

## Three recruits completed Hazmat Academy and tested out this week.

## Two recruits are starting FFI Academy this week, and oen firefighter will start FFII Academy in a couple of weeks.

## FF Swanson will be attending Auto X in May. His attendance will be free of charge to the Department, as his spot was won last year.

## Captains Faes, Wheelock, and Moran and myself will be attending Flight Paramedic class in Crested Butte in April.

## Captains Faes and Moran will be attending UTV Operator class in March.

## Captain Wheelock created the annual training calendar for 2024.

## We have roughly 68 trainings scheduled.

## EMR class is being prepared. It is scheduled for the beginning of April and the class is already full.

## I spent 5 days in Grand Junction at the National Fire Academy taking the first block of the COTC class. There are 3 more blocks to go.

**ONGOING ACTIVITIES**

Mechanics area is being prepped for air compressor move in. Captain Moran has emptied the big white cabinet “catch all” and is sorting the contents out, so we can add the new cabinet drawers that I bought.