

Upper Captiva Fire and Rescue July 17th Chiefs Report.

- We have responded to 7 EMS and 2 FIRE calls
- The department has hired 3 bringing the total number of employees to 36. 15 paramedics. This month those paramedics that were credentialed at their departments are now credentialed here as well.
- There have been 0 capital purchases or disposals.
- The stairs to the east side of the station need to be replaced; the rot has gotten to the stringers causing a potential hazard. I will call and get 3 bids to present to the board next month; they are currently not being used.
- Sam from MES has 10 sets of gear available. I propose we purchase these immediately as this is a critical PPE item. Correction from last month's meeting after reviewing the last two years former Chief Martin did have a 10 year plan and 8 sets have been purchased over the last 2 years. His plan was to purchase 4 sets annually. We have lost 10 sets due to Ian and have an additional 10 sets that have expired.
- I have provided a CV to the board. I hope it is acceptable.
- The command staff have been working diligently setting up repairs and maintenance/service for equipment
- The department will host an Island Luncheon Sunday August 06. This will be utilized to talk about hurricane preparedness and reach out to the residents and visitors to continue to rebuild the rapport.
- On August 21st Dr Augustine will be on island for a lunch and Island tour. Useppa Chief Bill Schobel will attend and provide transport to Useppa for an island tour. It is a good idea for the medical director to see the challenges we face.
- July 1st and 2nd Roland Gomez had a fundraiser held for the Fire Department was a success he was able to raise

1400\$ and then his company donated an additional 600\$ providing a check for 2000\$. We are grateful.

- The July 4th parade was fantastic. We appreciate the invite and look to participate in future Island Events.
- After running the early retirement numbers it is not financially feasible for me to do early retirement. With that being said I am willing to perform the duties as the Chief for as long as needed. With the current command staff and the current staff we have the ability in my opinion to respond to the island if we have a major storm hits the island. Each of the command staff are qualified to manage anything mother nature may throw at them.
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