

Thank you Mr. Sweet, madam mayor. And council.

Good Evening, for those of you who don't know me my name is Josh Como I am currently the interim fire chief while the city is going through the hiring process for the permanent fire chief position.

We had a very productive April...

We had 55 calls. We have currently run 195 calls to date this year. Last year at this time we had 137 calls. So, We are 60 calls ahead of last year, which was an average year for calls.

Some incidents to highlight:

Structure fire at the APT.'s on pine ridge. We pulled in at the same time as Seaside's ladder truck, which was placed first per protocol due to the size of the apparatus. There were no injuries to the occupants or firefighters.

Vehicle fire just north of the sub station on the highway resulting in no injuries

We used our new LUCAS device (CPR MACHINE) that delivers very high quality CPR and frees up personnel to work on other things. On a side note Lighthouse Christian church donated \$15k for us to obtain it. The call went very well. The pt. did not have a heart beat when we arrived on scene. Thanks to this awesome new device. The person is now from the last update we got, at home recovering.

-We had An Automatic aid structure fire in Seaside

-We Automatic aid structure fire in Hamlet

-We provided Mutual Aid for Warrenton fire while they had a boat fire where we covered their district for all fire and medical calls during that time due to them being taxed on personnel.

-We also had a few mutual aid calls to cover Seaside while they were taxed for personnel during their calls.

-As a reminder we have Automatic aid & mutual aid agreements with all departments in the county for multiple reasons. No one department in the county can handle complex calls on their own. On average It takes 15-20 Firefighters 2 structural engines and 1 ladder truck for a typical house fire.

-If that house is far away from a water source. We then have departments in the county in which have water tenders, their job is simply to transport water to help complete the firefighting efforts. -We also have mutual aid agreements in place for when a department in the county does not have enough resources (manpower or apparatus) to respond to their calls they call on the neighboring fire district to help in those times.

Last month we gave aid a total of 7 times. 5 alone went to seaside, 1 was to warrenton, 1 was to Hamlet.

We received aid only 2 time last month. 1 for our apartment fire on pine ridge. 1 for a medical call while we were short on manpower due to use finishing up from 2 other calls during the same time.

It was brought to my attention that some of you when reviewing the call log from the previous months. In the column where it says "basic aid given or received" it says "none" on it almost every time.

If the call had nothing to do with Automatic aid or mutual aid then it will say none. It does not mean we did nothing on the call. Even the standard medical call, the finely tuned machine is at work. We will arrive before medix the majority of the time and start pt. Care. to enable fast effective life saving efforts. Then we will hand off primary pt. Care to medix. Then we will assist them with the rest of the call, preparing and packaging the pt. For transport to the hospital. Sometimes, we will also ride along with medix. If they need extra manpower for any reason.

Some other highlights from last month:

This month is Mental health awareness. In light of that, Mr. Sweet and I began working on a mental health program to offer help for our firefighters and our police officers.

We are moving forward with our new water rescue program. Currently, we are working under the umbrella of seaside fire. They have an established water program. They are graciously training us so we can get our program up and running independently.

Our wildland apparatus 2972 the fire-MOG - had some required fixing and maintenance completed on it. The work that was needed was simply due to normal wear and tare. The cost was \$10k. None of that came out of the city's budget. It was completely paid for by going out on mobilizations.

If any of you have any questions or comments. I would love to help answer them for you. I need to get back over next door for our Wednesday night training meeting.

You can email me at

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Thank you all for your time, and have a good evening.

2020 mobilizations:

- LNU we made 17,299.00 for our T-VI (as well as had Hutch's hours paid by the state during the deployment)
- Beachie Creek Fire we made 13,417.20 for our T-III (Josh Como hours paid for by the state)
- powerline fire we made 2,787.00 for our T-1 (Hutch's hours paid by the state)
- Riverside Fire we made 24,410.50 for our T-VI & our T-1 (Hutches hours were paid by the state during this deployment)
- Glass fire we made 19,200.00 for our T-VI (Hutch's hours paid by the state)
- August complex we made 17,525.50 for our T-VI (hutch's hours paid for by the state)

Total the city made for 2020 deployments = 94,639.2

As well as when Josh Como and James Hutchinson was on deployments the state was paying their hourly wage. So, the city was not paying for their normal paychecks while they were gone.

2019 Mobilizations:

He had zero mobilizations