



# SUNSTITES-PEARCE FIRE DISTRICT

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AND NEIGHBORING COCHISE COUNTY

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## Fire Chief's Report for July, 2024

### Call Volume as of June 30<sup>th</sup> :

**June Call Volume:** 70

**Fire:** 27

**EMS:** 43

**2024:** 402 Total

### Training:

1. Monthly EMS training completed for OB and ventilator use. Thank you PHI.
2. Monthly fire training covered foam use and Firefighter maydays.
3. I attended the AFDA conference and participated in multiple seminars.

### Wildland:

1. We have had multiple initial and extended attack assignments. E307 is currently on assignment on the Romero Fire.
2. National predictive services indicate a busy fall season for the nation and Arizona.

### Out of District Services:

1. Met with the County Assessor on June 28<sup>th</sup> in anticipation of approving the impact statement for the Dragoon annexation. Yesterday we encountered some new hurdles with the parcel map and are working to resolve them. Tonight's agenda item will need to be tabled.

### Emergency Medical Services:

1. AZDHS has responded to our rate adjustment application with the following numbers.

Base Rates	<b>A.L.S.</b>	<b>B.L.S.</b>	<b>Mileage</b>	<b>Standby</b>
<b>Current Rates</b>	\$1,052.48	\$1,052.48	\$21.05	\$263.11
<b>Applicant Proposed Rates</b>	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00	\$21.05	\$450.00
<b>Bureau Proposed Rates</b>	\$2,014.85	\$2,014.85	\$13.53	\$503.71

We have accepted the Bureau's proposed rates and are awaiting the final signature from them for implementation.

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Follow-up emails and phone calls indicate we are “in queue” and should have a response sometime soon.

## **Hazardous Materials and Technical Rescue:**

1. Nothing new to report.

## **Maintenance**

1. Vehicle and equipment maintenance continues. No vehicles are currently out of service.
2. Installation of incident management hardware and software is underway with most of the vehicles being outfitted this week.

## **Communications:**

1. We ended the fiscal year roughly \$30,000 ahead of expectations. Those funds were used to pay off E307 and M302.
2. I have engaged a third-party HR company for help updating our policy manual and bringing it into compliance with current laws and practices.

## **Staffing**

1. One full-time paramedic position is open. Actively working to fill the vacancy.
2. Most part-time and volunteer employees have been engaged with training and staffing. We have new applicants we are in the process of onboarding.
3. As fire season dies down, extra staffing that was being implemented will be reduced but not eliminated.

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