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C/O RIDGE FIRE COMPANY**

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May Advisory Board Notes 05/04/2023.

DES Report:

- FM 21 Invest, 2 notifications, Hazmat 2 responses, 1 notification for April.
- County Property Tax Credit for First Responders. Survey out and ending on May 15th Please respond to it as that is the number the Commissioners will base their financial data from.
- Starting to look at an EV Fire Call Type. Think about what the default response should be.
- Verified Responder – Working to setup an email group to send user setup requests to so it's not relying on one person.
- Siren Tones – Stations still using the siren tones, please work to proactively switch your tone decoders over to your general fire tone. There is no set end date for siren tones from DES, but its relying on the old paging system working.
- CO Incident Type code being implemented. Default response will be an Engine and BLS Ambulance. CO Alarm will now just be an Engine from the local agency.
- Paging – Reaching out to additional VHF paging vendors.
- 911 Ops – Call sequence for EMS Calls being reviewed to get revamped. Will be discussing with EMS Council.

Districts:

- **North** – Art of Reading Smoke class went well. CAD overview for May's Meeting on the 10th at Ridge.
- **South** – Meet end of the week.
- **East** – Discussed siren tones and most stations going over to Squads.
- **West** – Didn't officially meet and utilized the time for the debrief of the Parkesburg fire.
- **Central** – Discussed siren tones. Only one station still had them active.
- **EMS** – Standardizing status checks and the standard responses if there is a problem.
- **Fire Police** – Confusion coming out of the training held. Need to reaffirm that FP fall under the Fire Company operations and Fire Chief. Fire Police Members of the fire company first.
- **RTF** – Not Present
- **FTF** – Not Present

Old Business:

- AJ has received 10 forms back so far for the Rescue/Squad Self-Assessment.
 - Discussion was had if there will be any exceptions granted as that is what some believe stations are waiting to see before changing their truck designation.
 - No exceptions being made. If you have questions please provide to your AB rep or reach out to Gerry and AJ directly.
 - Self-Assessment Forms due back by June 1st.
- Adam/Justin will be getting a list of station responses calling for a Rescue to the AB rep to distribute to the stations.

- Strategic Plan – Working with PM firm on projects and looking to attend Spring CATO, looking at some new initiatives.
- Recruitment – Had a couple of small meetings and still getting inquiries through the website and Amanda is processing them as they come in.
- Reviewed the lower priority call types and rearranged some Fire items to Priority 7 from 9 so the lower-level priority 9 type codes can get filtered on the MDC by agencies looking to do that. All will show by default.

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- Numbering Committee – Nothing Presently