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Fire Chiefs Report to the Board

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Call-outs

- Since last SPID report on 07 Feb 24 there has been three (3) First Responder (FR) callouts

Practices

- Normal Tuesday training & Wednesday knowledge briefs are ongoing
- Running bi-weekly weekend training sessions to expedite training of new members

Purchasing

- Materials for the training facility & to outfit the forestry trailer
- New firefighting gloves to replace old items

New Items for Info/Discussion

- UBCM Emergency Services 2022 Grant on 'FD eqpt & training resources'
 - Work on the training area/sea cans training props ongoing
 - Final report for project has been submitted as required by UBCM
 - Any further spending will be covered under training budget
- UBCM Emergency Services 2023 Grant on 'FD training facility & eqpt upgrades'
 - Digital training equipment & a fire rated thermal imaging camera on order
- UBCM funding manager has confirmed that we are eligible for FireSmart funding
 - We cannot apply as an Improvement District, but the Regional District can apply on our behalf
 - In discussion with Regional FireSmart coordinator to cover chipping weekend
- Ingrid Welch has reshuffled her workload & will be staying on as Deputy Chief
- Training has commenced on upgrading all FRs on the EMA increased scope of practice
 - Increased protocols will allow us to better serve the community on an FR callout
 - Red Cross Instructor Certification course completed
 - Will require a bit more equipment to support update
 - Training will be scheduled once license update received
- Fire Chief has successfully renewed his FR License