# Fire Chiefs Report to the Board

09 Apr 21

**Call-outs**

* Since last SPID report on 05 Mar 21 we've had one (1) Duty Officer Beach Fire call-out

**Practices**

* Meetings continue to be held using combination of physically separated meetings in the Hall & Zoom conference service in order to remain compliant with provincial guidelines
* Hands on practices continue using a combination of small team protocols, physical separation, personal safety masks & prepositioned equipment to ensure compliance with provincial directives/restrictions

**Purchasing**

* SPVFFA provided funds for purchase of two (2) training manuals & three (3) full FR III courses
* Dept purchase of rope bags & rescue webbing, plus coveralls for new member

**New Items for Info/Discussion**

* Update on BC OFC ‘Structure Firefighters Competency & Training Playbook’
  + - No change, currently compliant with provincial requirements for Interior Level FF training competencies
    - Continuing with weekend practical training sessions for the new recruits
* COV-19 operations update
  + - No change, Dept conducts doorway assessment for Influenza Like Indicators (ILI) risk to determine level of Personnel Protective Eqpt (PPE) that will be utilised
    - Immunization of members has commenced, not part of planned First Responder vaccination program
* FR status update
  + - Three members: FC, Ingrid & Andrew have completed their FR recertification exams
* Potholes have developed over the winter on both ends of the Fire Lane
  + - Could damage FD vehicles in transit, not sure if MOTI would be willing to fill/compact or if community is expected to maintain
* Currently working on applying for a dept. grant to assist with Training & Wildfire equipment funding
  + - Canadian Red Cross Community Resiliency Grant program is a funding program developed in partnership between Red Cross & FCABC, with support from OFC
    - Created to support smaller rural BC communities in becoming more resilient & building capacity related to hazard responses in BC
    - Application deadline is 26 Apr 21, submission will require SPID Chair signature
* One of our residents has expressed concern that short term renters on the Point are not being made aware of burning/campfire regulations/restrictions
* New member has joined the Dept, Steve Walker
* Mutual Aid agreements between: (1) Comox Valley FDs, Campbell River FD & 19 Wing; & (2) SPVFD, Fanny Fay FD & Deep Bay FD are due for renewal
  + - Continue to wait for final drafts for review
    - Mutual Aid continues to be covered by extension clause
* CVEP/NEPP Update
  + - Conservancy is planning to drop off a load of road crush to assist with maintaining the dyke access road
    - No change on wildlife viewing platform status