



COALINGA FIRE DEPARTMENT



MEMORANDUM

Date: October 29, 2020

To: Honorable Mayor and Council Members
Marissa Trejo, City Manager

From: Greg DuPuis, Fire Chief

Re: Fire Department Quarterly Report

This quarterly report is for the month of July, August, and September 2020. In July there were 203 calls for service, August, 185 calls for service and September, 152 call for service. Of those calls for service the breakdown is as follows:

JULY

EMS: 171 (84% of total calls)

Fires: 11

3 building fire/cooking fire

5 grass/vegetation

3 outside trash/rubbish

Public Service: 6, which include public assist or smoke/odor removal without fire

False Alarms: 2

AUGUST

EMS: 167 (90% of total calls)

Fires: 3

0 building fire/cooking fire

1 grass/vegetation

2 outside trash/rubbish

Gas Leak: 1

Public Service: 3, which include public assist or smoke/odor removal without fire

False Alarms: 5

SEPTEMBER

EMS: 134 (88% of total calls)

Fires: 5

0 building fire/cooking fire

4 grass/vegetation

1 outside trash/rubbish

Gas Leaks: 5

Public Service: 5, which include public assist or smoke/odor removal without fire

False Alarms: 3

*Not listed are the calls that were dispatched but cancelled en route

EVENTS

During this period, the fire department had numerous events outside of normal day to day operations, mostly involving strike team deployments. For the first time since 2017 the fire department was able to provide mutual aid support to OES and the State of California for numerous fires across the state.

July 16-23: provided a single resource engine to the Coalinga airport for a crash/rescue assignment during the Mineral Fire.

August 15-22: Provided an ambulance standby for the Hills Fire.

August 24-26: Provided an ambulance as part of a Fresno County ambulance strike team to Napa to assist the local jurisdiction during the LNU complex Fire.

August 24-Sept. 7: Provided a single resource Fire line Paramedic to the LNU Complex Fire.

September 5-26: Provide a Type VI patrol as part of a taskforce response to the Creek Fire.

September 30-Oct 4: Provided a Type VI patrol as part of a strike team response to the Zogg Fire.

The department participated in a birthday parade with Coalinga PD for a local child. The department also participated in a “spray/play” day on September 25th at Kech Park. The event was put on by the Coalinga-Huron Recreation and Park District and was an opportunity to come out and meet the firefighters and play in the water. There were approximately 20/30 kids that came out.

The department welcomed intern Efren Rizo as part of the workforce connection program. Efren is learning how fire departments operate by assisting with clerical duties, day to day fire department activities, and training with the firefighters. Efren is a welcome addition to the team and hopes to become a Coalinga firefighter someday.

PREVENTION/PUBLIC EDUCATION

Due to COVID-19 all public education events have been postponed or cancelled.

On the prevention side, the department completed 6 new business inspections.

STAFFING

We are currently at 17 line personnel. The department received a resignation letter from Firefighter/Paramedic Doi on 9/30/2020. We are actively recruiting to fill the position.

OVERTIME

The fire department used:

1080 hours in July

912 hours in August

984 hours in September

Most of this overtime is due to the strike team assignments and will be reimbursed by the state, both the personnel assigned, and the callback needed to fill vacancies.