

## **JULY 2023 COMMITTEE REPORT**

- 1. Mason Fire Department responded to a total of 16 incidents for the month of June with a 100% response rate:
  - 8 EMS CALLS
  - 2 EMS CALLS (TIPTON COUNTY)
  - 1 ANIMAL RESCUE
  - 1 CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM ACTIVATION
  - 2 GRASS FIRES
  - 2 STRUCTURE FIRES (TIPTON COUNTY)
- 2. For 2023, Mason Fire Department has responded to 71 incidents from January 1st to June 30th.
- 3. The department is still awaiting the completion of the approved purchase of the two needed fire engines from San Bruno, California to immediately replace Engine 71 and Engine 72. These vehicles are required to maintain minimal response levels for the Town of Mason and their absence is continuing to strain available resources while limiting the department's abilities to respond to emergencies. Their absence also places unnecessary wear and tear on the two remaining and functioning vehicles. In the last year, the department has received the necessary grants to fully equip its entire fleet (including these two engines) to NFPA 1901.
- 4. The department is requesting board approval for the purchase of six sets of structural turnouts and one thermal imager through grant funds received from the awarded \$72,165.00 Volunteer Firefighter Equipment & Training Grant (VFEAT) awarded to Mason Fire Department in February 2023. Three quotes have been obtained in listed amounts below and each has had a demo session with fire department personnel:
  - a. Structural Turnouts:
    - \$20,508.00 Fire Dex Municipal Emergency Services
    - \$ Veridian Municipal Emergency Services
    - \$20,928.00 Morning Pride Municipal Emergency Services
  - b. Thermal Imager:
    - \$2,450.00 MSA Safe Industries
    - \$2,650.00 SEEK Municipal Emergency Services
    - \$ 2,999.00 SEEK Nafeco
    - \$3,409.00 SCOTT Municipal Emergency Services

- 5. The Mason Fire Department was selected to receive one pallet of drinking water by the National Volunteer Fire Council (NVFC) supplied by Anheuser-Busch. This donation will provide 98 cases of drinking water for fire department personnel to use at emergency incidents, training events, and other functions. This donation will help to reduce the individual costs to firefighters for rehab supplies.
- 6. The Town of Mason is expecting an impending 5-year evaluation from the Insurance Services Office (ISO) for grading in the town's fire protection services. This will be a critical inspection that will impact on the future growth of the town. There has been no date set for the upcoming inspection. This will require the combined efforts of the Board of Mayor & Aldermen, the fire department, and public works.