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Steve Reeder, Acting Fire Chief

April 7, 2016

To: Honorable LOCSD Board of Directors
From: Tom McEwen, Battalion Chief
Subject: Agenda Item 9A – April 7, 2016 Board Meeting
District /CAL FIRE Chief Report for February 2016

EMERGENCY ACTIVITY

1. Station 15 - South Bay responded to 92 calls in February with three Simultaneous Calls (Back to Back). One of the Simultaneous Calls required Advanced Life Support (1st: 1, 2nd: 0, Both: 0). Of these 92 incidents, 59 were Medical calls with 36 requiring Advanced Life Support provided by Paramedics; A CAL FIRE Firefighter rode in to the hospital with SLO Ambulance zero times during the month of February. One call required Staging; Five incidents were reported as Traffic Collision; Seven incidents were reported as Fire, 16 as Public Service Assists, and 10 as Emergency.
2. Company 15 was called to cover the station or respond to emergencies in the month of February a total of 12 times.

ADMINISTRATION

3. In February, 2016, Reserve Firefighter Kyle Parker resigned in good standing with 1+ year of service to the Community of Los Osos. Kyle received a full time Firefighter II/Paramedic position with CAL FIRE in San Diego, California. We know Kyle has a great future ahead of him and we send him off with our best wishes!
4. During the month of February, all Station 15 – South Bay Reserve Firefighters successfully completed their Annual Respiratory Protection Plan Medical Evaluations. Upon completion of this annual review, Reserve Firefighters will receive their annual Self Contained Breathing Apparatus Fit Test. This test ensures that SCBAs are worn safely when working in dangerous atmospheres.
5. By February 20, 2016, all Reserve Firefighters had signed the 2016 Reserve Firefighter Employment Contracts. The Contracts were then signed by Chief McEwen and Interim General Manager Kampa and placed in the Personnel Files.
6. On February 25, 2016, Executive Assistant Harmony Brown attended an Enrichment Training Course held by SLO County. Participants identified their strengths, communication challenges and developed strategies to respond to changing environments.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS/PROJECTS

7. On February 26, 2016, a Regional Fleet Inspector from CAL FIRE's Southern Region conducted safety and compliance inspections on ME-15, ME-215 and MR-15 with all apparatus' successfully passing.
8. During the month of February, Station 15 – South Bay advertised on Craigslist and sent out press releases to several media outlets regarding new applicants for our Reserve Company. Applications must be submitted to Station 15 – South Bay by Friday, March 25, 2016. (See attached press release and KSBY coverage).

TRAINING

9. The four prospective Station 15 – South Bay Reserve Firefighter candidates continued completing steps needed to become employees of the LOCSD. In February, three of the candidates began the Paid-Call Firefighter Academy and successfully registered for Confined Space Rescue Awareness and Hazardous Materials/FRO (First Responder-Operator) Decontamination Courses. The remaining candidate completed the required training, and took necessary steps to complete the Station 15 Rookie Taskbook. In order to streamline this process and unify instruction, candidates attend a two day Station 15 – South Bay Rookie Academy. At the Rookie Academy, candidates learned station specific guidelines and procedures for both routine station maintenance as well as emergency response.

FIRE PREVENTION

10. At about 3:45 p.m. on February 8, 2016, Station 15 – South Bay responded to a Structure Fire in the 600 block of Woodland Drive. Upon arrival, the SLO County Sheriff's Department called for emergency units to stage outside the scene, as there were safety concerns with a possibly armed and suicidal individual still inside the home. Once all occupants were safely outside, Firefighters employed a defensive attack as the structure was fully engulfed and surrounding structures were threatened. With the assistance of CAL FIRE/San Luis Obispo County Fire and Morro Bay Fire, the fire was contained to the original structure. Multiple media agencies covered this incident in the days following (see attached KSBY coverage).

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve Reeder, Interim Unit Chief
CAL FIRE / San Luis Obispo County Fire Department



By Tom McEwen, North Coast Battalion Chief
CAL FIRE / San Luis Obispo County Fire Department

CAL FIRE STATION 15 - SOUTH BAY

2016 ANNUAL ACTIVITY LOG

ACTIVITY	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
*FIRES - ALL TYPES	7	7											14
FALSE ALARMS	3	5											8
*RESCUE - EMS	86	59											145
ADV. LIFE SUPPORT	46	36											82
TRAFFIC COLLISION	1	5											6
*SERVICE ASSISTS	18	16											34
*EMERGENCY	12	10											22
CODE 2 RESPONSE	9	5											14
-ZONE I	2	2											4
-MDO	0	1											1
-MUTUAL AID	0	1											7
SUBTOTAL: OUT OF DISTRICT	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
SUBTOTAL: BACK-TO-BACK	7	2											9
SUBTOTAL: BACK-TO-BACK (ALS)	3	1											4
2016 TOTAL - MONTHLY	123	92	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	215

2016 CALLS YTD	123	215	215	215	215	215	215	215	215	215	215	215	215
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2015 TOTAL - MONTHLY	135	102	98	81	99	84	81	97	86	94	97	110	1164
2014 TOTAL - MONTHLY	104	85	102	99	109	111	109	92	94	121	95	131	1252
2013 TOTAL - MONTHLY	108	87	108	98	100	122	102	112	115	102	83	113	1250
2012 TOTAL - MONTHLY	95	98	105	100	94	83	105	119	94	118	121	127	1259
2011 TOTAL - MONTHLY	111	72	81	106	97	115	99	91	112	131	89	84	1188
2010 TOTAL - MONTHLY	121	79	93	88	98	86	115	100	103	104	94	96	1177
2009 TOTAL - MONTHLY	84	79	74	126	89	80	86	77	87	148	99	177	1206
2008 TOTAL - MONTHLY	126	123	101	89	110	98	71	105	71	73	77	110	1154
2007 TOTAL - MONTHLY	100	87	90	88	100	60	77	80	94	76	70	95	1017

CAL FIRE NEWS RELEASE

California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection



SAN LUIS OBISPO UNIT
SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY FIRE



**CONTACT: Tom McEwen, Battalion Chief RELEASE DATE: February 24, 2016
(805) 528-1053**

Reserve Firefighters Wanted

The Los Osos Community Services District, in cooperation with *CAL FIRE/SLO* County Fire Department, Station 15 - South Bay has initiated a hiring process to select prospective LOCSO Reserve Firefighters. Reserve Firefighters are expected to cover two 12 hour shifts per month, attend required training and drills, and return for emergency call backs at *CAL FIRE/Station 15 - South Bay*.

In order to qualify for the Reserve Firefighter position, an application must be submitted by Friday, March 25, 2016 no later than 5:00pm with a valid form of ID, a Social Security Card, and a DMV report, dated within 30-days. A Resume Review will be conducted with a preference for applicants who are current San Luis Obispo County Paid-Call Firefighters and/or with proof of accredited Firefighter I Academy completion. Reserve Firefighter applications and additional information can be obtained at *CAL FIRE/Station 15 - South Bay*, located at 2315 Bayview Heights Drive in Los Osos, CA (Monday-Friday 8:00am-5:00pm).

The hiring process consists of a Firefighter Physical Ability Test to be held at *CAL FIRE/Station 15 - South Bay*, tentatively set for Saturday, April 2, 2016 at 8:00am. The next step would be Oral Interviews, tentatively set for Sunday, October April 3, 2016. The final step will be a background investigation and a successful completion of a pre-employment physical.

If you have any questions, please contact *CAL FIRE/Station 15 - South Bay* Fire Department at (805) 528-1053.

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Posted: Feb 25, 2016 5:38 PM PST
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Reserve firefighters needed in Los Osos

By KSBY Staff

RESERVE FIREFIGHTERS NEEDED
LOS OSOS

- ▶ Cal Fire hiring reserve firefighters for its Los Osos station
- ▶ Cover two 12-hour shifts per month and emergency call backs
- ▶ Applications due no later than March 25
- ▶ Firefighter physical ability test April 2nd and 3rd

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A local community is in need of more firefighters.

Cal Fire has started the hiring process to select reserve firefighters for its Los Osos station.

Reserve firefighters cover two 12-hour shifts per month and serve during emergency call backs.

Applications are due no later than March 25th. There will be a firefighter physical ability test and interview process April 2nd and 3rd.



Posted: Feb 08, 2016 4:13 PM PST
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House fire breaks out in Los Osos

By KSBY Staff



Firefighters were called to a house fire in Los Osos Monday afternoon.

CAL FIRE reports the fire broke out at about 3:45 p.m. Monday on the 600 block of Woodland Drive.

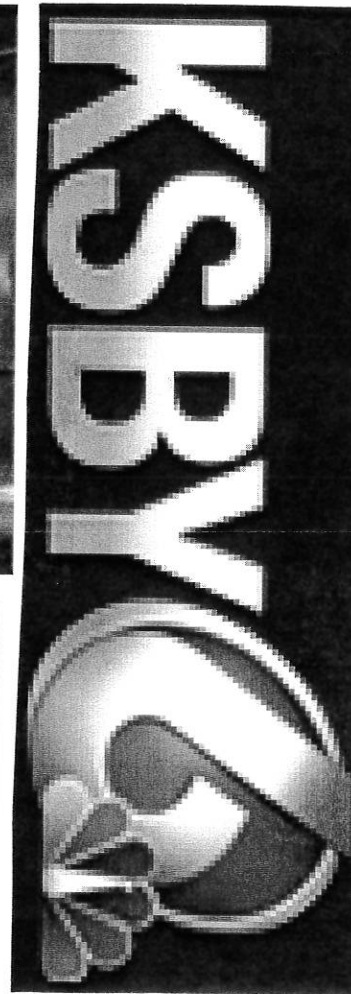
At 5:00 p.m., live video from the scene no longer showed flames but major damage to the home could be seen.

Earlier in the day, San Luis Obispo County Sheriff's deputies were called to check on the welfare of a man who lived in the home. Officials say the man, identified as 47-year old Mark Hannah, led deputies on a short pursuit on Highway 1, but that pursuit was called off because no crime had been committed and the man was driving the speed limit. Sheriff's officials say, after the pursuit, Hannah returned home.

Hannah was found at the home after the fire broke out. Deputies took him into custody and he was taken to the hospital to be treated for burns.



Photo: Zack LaRoyce Mookie Harris



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Dear Friends,

Thank you for
all you do to
help us. You are
our heroes!

Sincerely,

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