# Fire Chiefs Report to the Board

04 Mar 23

**Call-outs**

* Since last SPID report on 03 Feb 23 there has been two (2) First Responder (FR) callouts

**Practices**

* Normal training ongoing
* Have resumed weekend training events

**Purchasing**

* Construction materials for 2nd floor training mezzanine in the fire hall
* Three (3) 2017 SCBA cylinders have been purchased as part of equipment replenishment program to replace six (6) time expired cylinders

**New Items for Info/Discussion**

* Update on BC OFC ‘Structure Firefighters Competency & Training Playbook’
  + - Four (4) members scheduled on Live Fire 1 & 2 courses, & three (3) members scheduled on Survival Tactics & Rescue Techniques (START) course at the Comox FTC this spring
* Position of A/Chief (Activities) has been taken over by Rob Vreugde effective 01 Mar 23
  + - Letter acknowledging authorities & responsibilities has been signed & is on file
    - Keith has shifted over to assist Ingrid with maintenance activities
* ‘Celebrate Your Community’ event to be held Sun, 19 Mar 23 from 1-3 pm at FB Community Centre
  + - FD will participate as per previous years with a truck display & information table
    - FBFD has printed a combined FB/Ships Point fire dept advertising flyer/handout for the event & for use by the Fanny Bay Welcome Wagon
* UBCM Emergency Services Grant on FD eqpt & training resources has been formally announced
  + - Looking at options to increase the utility/versatility of the training area/sea cans
* Held a joint practice with members of Deep Bay FD & FB FD to discuss fireground procedures, equipment & training protocols
* Mutual Aid agreements between Comox Valley Fire Depts due for five (5) year renewal in May ’23
  + - Please advise if you have any issues with the current agreement, no issues from FD perspective
* Mutual Aid agreements between SPVFD, Fanny Fay FD & Deep Bay FD due for renewal
  + - Continue to wait for final draft IOT review
      * Mutual Aid continues to be covered by monthly extension clause
* CVEP/NEPP Update
  + - Dept is working with the Community Resilience FireSmart Committee in an effort to get financial support for our chipping program
    - No change, Dyke Road emergency egress route has deteriorated to the point that in the event of an emergency vehicle traffic would not be safely possible
    - Emergency Evacuation plan will be updated to reflect either pedestrian, bike, ATV or UTV usage only
    - Will generate a letter to ‘Natures Conservancy’ on lane clearance responsibilities