



Question: Do we have a GUESS as to when OUR Ladder truck will be back?

Answer: Hopefully the ladder will be back in service by early September.

Deputy Chief Zanella

Question: Does AJFD foresee ever putting employee related forms (vac. request, over-time request, etc.) on the website for easy access? It would be nice to be able to print a form from a fire station, or home for even that matter. Thank you, this is a great tool.

Answer: Yes. Staff is currently working towards getting the commonly used forms on the website. This will allow for ease of use and access to forms wherever you have access to our web site. Look for it soon!

Deputy Chief Zanella

Question: How many hours of sick or vacation time can be utilized without losing FLSA during a tour of duty?

Answer: The answer is 0. Firefighters are eligible to be paid for 12 half-time hours during each Tour of Duty. Each Tour of Duty is 216 hours. All non-worked hours are subtracted from the Tour of Duty total. Any sick, vacation, or bereavement time that is taken during an FLSA period is subtracted from the total Tour of Duty hours of 216. For example, if you were to take a total of 4 hours of vacation during a Tour of Duty, 4 hours would be subtracted from the 12 hours possible. So you would be paid 8 FLSA hours (8 x your half-time rate).

Secretary II Krause

Question: Wondering how long swa will be on our radio channel? or are they here to stay?

Answer: Southwest Ambulance has entered into an agreement with the City of Mesa for dispatch services. The City dispatches all units assigned to the Mesa, AJ and Gilbert areas. Unless the contract is dissolved, they are here to stay. I realize that there are currently bugs in the system, Mesa and Southwest staff are working on several issues to make the system more effective and efficient for all concerned.

Deputy Chief Zanella

Question: *When can we expect swa to have a dedicated ride in gold canyon. Or can we ever expect that?*

Answer: *Preliminary discussions have been ongoing with Southwest Ambulance in regards to the placement of a unit within Station 264. To date two scenarios have been proposed;*

- *Placing one of the two units currently assigned to the district in the station*
- *Placing a part-time unit in the station until service requests justifies the placement of a full time unit.*

*In both scenarios the unit will not be dedicated solely for the Gold Canyon area. Requests for service in the area do not justify placing a dedicated unit at this time. The district will need to continue its operational practice of backing up response requests for medical services with a rescue unit.*

*The organization will continue to monitor this situation and will address service needs through the districts contract transport provider.*

*Deputy Chief Perkins*