

**CAPTAIN'S MEETING**  
**Thursday, December 2, 2021**  
**Birch Bay Station 63**

Attendees: Fire Chief Van der Veen; Division Chief Ward; Captains Ahrenholz, McPhail, Schmidt, and Smith.

**FIRE CHIEF**

**BFD's Usage of Britton Loop Station 12**

The group discussed the concerns/issues with how BFD utilizes the Britton Loop Station 12 training grounds, specifically the bays and drying room. The group questioned what BFD was entitled to utilize at the station/training grounds. The matter was also discussed at the labor management meeting. Chief Van der Veen is addressing the concerns.

It seems that the exorbitant number of auto aid responses into Bellingham has slowed, at least at Laurel Station 69 following recent discussions with the BFD Fire Chief.

**NWFR Budget Study session**

The NWFR Board of Commissioners will be meeting on Saturday, December 4 at Odell Station 61 to discuss the 2022 budget, future funding and financial planning.

The interlocal agreement (ILA) with District 4 has been extended for one year.

**Debit Days**

The captains are working closely with members to schedule the 2022 debit days.

**OPERATIONS**

**Tic**

The tic at Birch Bay Station 63 has been found

**Operative IQ**

There was discussion regarding the rig check documentation in Operative IQ. Apparently if the submit button is not hit, it does not acknowledge that any of the rig check has been completed. Once any portion of the rig check has been submitted the report can be added to later on in the day.

Chief Ward agreed to forward monthly Operative IQ reports (by AP#s) to the captains so they can monitor and follow up on any incomplete reports.

**Facility and Apparatus Maintenance**

Birch Bay Station 63 Roof repair: The contract has been signed however the roof repair has yet to

**Groups**

Hose Group

Cpt. Schmidt, Lt. Hofstad, FFs' Brown, Lathan, McDermott and Stewart.

Rope Group

FF Donnelly is reviewing the adverse terrain system, which will be fine-tuned to focus on low angle rescue.

**Forcible entry**

FFs' DeJager and Donnelly and Geleynse

**BLS Group**

FFs' Delanie and Mulrooney

Chief Ward will send out list of the groups and their members.

With the exception of the hose group, it is anticipated that members of groups will actually develop lesson plans and train other members.

**Vector Solutions Training System**

There was discussion regarding utilizing the training section of Vector Solutions and how to migrate the current training from ResQHub.

**BK CO detectors**

Co detectors have been added to all first out and back up aid unit EMS kits. It was noted that these detectors are simple to use. Chief Ward recently sent out an email that included You Tube training links.

**SHIFTS**

AShift

Hose testing has been completed.

Ladder testing is in process.

CShift

The toilette at Birch Bay St 63 is leaking.

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There is a roof leak at Birch Bay Station 63.

Next Meeting: Thursday, January 6, 2022