



East Grand Forks Fire Department

2/4/2020

Council, Mayor and City Administrator,

This is an update on Fire Dept. operations and the upcoming flood situation.

Fire Department

- Transition from Fire chief Gary Larson to Interim Fire Chief Jeff Boushee is going smoothly.
- Annual Township/Fire Dept. meeting has been set for February 24th @ 6:00 PM.
- Extractor (washing machine for turnout gear) received via Grant from the Minnesota State Fire Marshalls Office has been installed at Station 1

Flood Info

- First flood meeting was held 1/28/2020
- In attendance: Gary Larson, Jeff Boushee (FD), Jason Stordahl, Jeremy King, Dillon Nelson (PW) Keith Mykleseth, Jeff Olson (WL) Jody Beauchane (Polk County Emergency Manager) Jill Marino (Polk County Assistant Emergency Manager)
- We discussed the information put out by the NWS webinar, the following is the 2020 Spring Flood Outlook for the Red River at East Grand Forks
 - 55.4 ft – 5%
 - 53.1 ft – 10%
 - 51.2 ft – 15%
 - 48.8 ft – 50%
 - 46.6 ft – 75%
 - 44.6 ft – 90%
 - 43.4 ft – 95%
- Gary discussed the rolls of team members, the EOC and of the Emergency Manager
- Jason discussed what Public Works is doing to prepare for this event.
- Polk County Emergency Manager (Jody) shared his concern for county areas.
- We also discussed declaring an emergency with the Polk County Emergency Manager and at this point he felt it would be premature to do so.

Sincerely

Jeff Boushee

Interim Fire Chief