



BERGHEIM VFD NEWS – December 2017

ANNUAL MEETING REPORT

The annual meeting of the Bergheim Volunteer Fire Department was held on Thursday, December 14th, at the Fire Station. Twenty-one attended, including County Commissioner Richard Elkins. President Ken West stated that 2017 had been a very good year for fundraising, particularly the fall fundraiser at the Boerne Fairgrounds. He noted the outstanding work of Nancy Arthur, Sherry Woodlee, and Pat Denney in making it a success. He noted that the service levels provided by the Department have continued to improve as the resources available, along with the level of training and experience of the force, have increased over the years. Chief Adam Hawkins reported that the firefighting force now numbers twenty-four members and that the service calls to date for 2017 number over 100 more than at the same point in 2016, mostly in the areas of vehicle accidents and EMS calls. Adam commented that the Department now has seven vehicles in service, with a new command vehicle on order. Also, three fire station locations will soon be in service with the completion of Substation #3 in Cordillera Ranch. He noted that a Kendall County EMS ambulance has been stationed on a part-time basis at the fire station since April and that it will likely move to full-time in the spring of 2018. Adam commented that the greatest challenge faced by the Department is managing the constant growth in the area, along with obtaining volunteers to man the force. Those serving on the board for 2018 are:

President –	Ken West
Vice-president –	Jeff Hoffstadt
Secretary –	Paul Mebane
Treasurer –	Nancy Arthur
Directors –	Buddy Schuchardt, Bob Walker, Ben Pruet

KENDALL COUNTY BURN BAN IS ON

The Burn Ban in Kendall County is **ON**. As of November 27, 2017, the Kendall County Commissioners reinstated the burn ban. We ask that you call Boerne dispatch at 830-249-8645 if you see outdoor burning in the area.

YOUR BERGHEIM VFD FIREFIGHTERS WISH YOU HAPPY NEW YEAR!

