



## DIXON HAPPENINGS

**December 22, 2015**

### *Fire Department*

FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) Grant extension – Chief McAlister received approval for extending the period of performance on the FEMA SAFER (Staffing for Adequate Fire & Emergency Response) to August, 21, 2016. This means that three temporary positions have been filled by:

- Blake Dombrowski–Firefighter/Paramedic
- Markus Lincoln – Firefighter
- Cody Shaake - Firefighter

The SAFER program provides funding to fire departments to help increase or maintain the number of trained “front-line” firefighters available in their communities. Two of the staff members hired with the grant back in 2013 have now been hired in permanent spots Joe Scarrott & Justin Sparrow.



Picture from Fire Department Badge Pinning Ceremony on 12/11/15 for Captain

Brian Schroeder and Fire Engineers Matt Fields & Randy Shafer.

Vance “Sparky” Mason’s career spanned 48 years. He enjoyed a final ride home in the new brush rig. The Council will recognize Sparky at their January 26 Council meeting.



### *Water Conservation*

The City of Dixon saved more water than required by the State mandated 25%. Dixon recently reported to the State Water Board that the water system (excludes CalWater service area) produced over 36% less water during June – November 2015 when compared to the same period in 2013!

### *Economic Development*

Dutch Bros Ribbon Cutting took place on December 11, 2015. A photo gallery has been posted to Dixon’s website.





Gold Star Foods is coming to Dixon in 2016. Staff has met with the Senior Vice President of Operations as well as the Vice President of K12 Solutions who shared of their intent to open their facility after modifications in the early summer of 2016 with 50 -75 potential jobs (including transfers from another facility). The Reporter recently published an article highlighting work being done at 1000 Vaughn Road to convert about 200,000 square feet into a distribution for the company currently in Ontario. The Dixon location will help better serve their Northern California customers including the Dixon Unified School District.

**Capital Projects**

- Council will be authorizing staff to advertise for the **Water Master Plan**. Four bids were received by the due date of 12/22/15 from West Yost, Parsons Brinckerhoff, Stetson Engineering, Michael Baker International. (updated)
- Award of **South Jefferson Street Project engineering services** (will involve street reconstruction, sidewalk, curb, gutter, curb ramps, sewer mainline & lateral replacement from Broadway to Cherry.
- Bids will be needed for the **Police Department Exterior Painting Project** expected at Council – Jan 26, 16.
- **Pardi Market site** – discussions will take place early in 2016 regarding this parcel, including community input.

**Other Quick Notes**

Filming took place in Dixon this month for a possible Super Bowl commercial by Sun Trust Bank.

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New Facebook Cover Photo



