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Hi Valerie & Ian,

For your awareness, the Addison Independent reached out to me yesterday (11/20) regarding the conex box training structure. The reporter, who was following up on the recent DRB meeting, interviewed me over the telephone and asked many questions.

Example of questions:

- What are the features of the structure? Answer: roof ventilation, chimney fire prop, ladder deployment, search & rescue, confined space, wall breach, entanglement, etc.
- What are some of the advantages of structure? Answer: on-site, more affordable than VFA, expanded training offerings, recruitment/retention tool, etc.
- Will other FDs be able to use the structure? Answer: In time other mutual aid departments will be able to utilize the structure as part of our current and on-going mutual aid training as a part of the Addison County Firefighters' Mutual Aid Association.
- What are the costs associated with this? Answer: Up front costs approximately \$20K. N.H. Munsill Co. (fundraising dollars) giving \$15K and FD capital fund giving \$5K.

Note that I specifically referenced NFPA 1402, Standard on Facilities for Fire Training and that this structure would be in compliance with the standard as it is essential that our insurance carrier, VLCT, support the FDs use.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you, -Brett

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