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JOB NOTICE FIREFIGHTER – FIRE DEPARTMENT

Post Date: February 25, 2021

Close Date: Open Until Filled

FLSA Status: Non-Exempt

Starting Annual Pay Rate: 35,828 DOQ

Job Summary:

This position controls and extinguishes fires, protects life and property, and maintains equipment as a volunteer or employee of the city. Typical work schedule will be a twenty-four hour shift followed by forty-eight hours off-duty. Subject to be called in on a holiday or during an emergency situation.

Position Qualifications:

Requires Certification as a Firefighter II by the State of Florida, Certification as an EMT by the State of Florida. Must submit to a background check and be of good moral character. Be in good physical condition and requires a valid driver license with 16 hours of (E.V.O.C.) Emergency Vehicle Operations Course.

Applications, a complete job description, and additional information may be obtained by visiting the City's website at www.defuniaksprings.net or City Hall, 71 US Hwy 90 West, DeFuniak Springs, Florida 32433. For more information, please contact the human resources department at 850-892-8500x119.

The City of DeFuniak Springs is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action/ADA Employer/Drug Free Workplace. The City provides equal employment opportunities to all employees and applicants for employment without regard to race, color, ancestry, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, religion, age, disability, gender identity, results of genetic testing, or service in the military.

FIREFIGHTER

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SUPERVISORY STATUS: Non-Supervisor

DEPARTMENT: Fire
REPORTS TO: Lieutenant

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ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS:

The following statements describe the principal functions of this job and its scope of responsibility, but should not be considered an all-inclusive listing of work requirements. Individuals may perform other duties as assigned, including working in other functional areas to cover absences or relief, to equalize peak work periods or otherwise to balance the work load.

- Responds to fire alarms and other emergency calls. Selects hose nozzle, depending on type of fire, and directs stream of water or chemicals onto fire.
- Drives fire department apparatus to emergency scene or other assignment.
- Responds to emergency calls including fires and fire alarms, emergency medical calls, hazardous conditions, and other emergency situations.
- Performs firefighting duties, perform rescue activities, provide emergency medical care and stabilize hazardous situations.
- Positions and climbs ladders to gain access to upper levels of buildings or to assist individuals from burning structures.
- Operates and maintains firefighting apparatus, equipment and tools.
- Administers first aid and artificial respiration to injured persons and those overcome by fire and smoke.
- Participates in drills, demonstrations, and courses in hydraulics, pump operation and maintenance, and firefighting techniques.
- Uses extrication equipment, including spreaders, shears and rams, for extrication.
- Works in areas with regular hazards, such as; fire, explosions, hazardous chemicals, fire gases, traffic, dogs, hysterical relatives, unfamiliar surroundings and electricity.
- Adheres to all safety rules and regulations.
- Adheres to work schedule and attendance requirements.
- Performs other duties as directed and required.
- Must create a positive public image as a representative of the city.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

- Knowledge of modern fire suppression methods and equipment.
- Knowledge of the operation and maintenance of fire rescue equipment and vehicles.
- Knowledge of emergency medical procedures and techniques.
- Skilled in dealing with the general public and able to handle stressful situations.
- Ability to perform clean-up and salvage operations.
- Ability to use all safety equipment, including body substance isolation and personal protective equipment, as assigned.
- Ability to create openings in buildings for ventilation or entrance, using ax, chisel, crowbar, electric saw and other power equipment.
- Ability to communicate with superior during fire, using portable two-way radio.

- Ability to apply principles of logical thinking to define problems, collect data, establish facts and draw valid conclusions; to interpret a variety of technical instructions in written, mathematical or diagrammatic form; to make independent judgments in the absence of assistance; to acquire knowledge of topics related to primary occupation.
- Ability to record and deliver information and to issue and follow verbal and written instructions.
- Ability to communicate effectively and efficiently in English in a variety of ways to be effective within the parameters of the job.
- Ability to be adaptable at performing under stress when confronted with emergencies.
- Ability to follow orders from officers and co-workers at the fire department and other entities.
- Ability to be conversant with all age groups.
- Ability to work well with others and communicate ideas.
- Ability to be part of a team.

QUALIFICATIONS, TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE:

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PHYSICAL DEMANDS AND WORK ENVIRONMENT:

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee successfully to perform the essential functions of this job. The work environment characteristics are those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential job functions.

Must speak, read, write and comprehend fluent English. Use of both hands and fingers with dexterity. Required to sit, walk, talk, run, stoop, jump and hear. Required to use hands and fingers to operate objects, tools or controls and reach with hands and arms. Must be able to exert in excess of 100 pounds of force occasionally, and/or up to 75 pounds of force frequently, and/or 50 pounds of force constantly to move objects. Must be able to maintain body equilibrium to prevent falling when walking or standing on uneven surfaces. Must be able to handle, seize, hold, grasp, turn or otherwise work primarily with fingers rather than with the whole hand or arm. May be exposed to possible bodily injury from burning buildings, falling debris from high places and rescue attempts as well as from vehicular traffic or falling from high exposed places. The firefighter must be able to be at the station for the entire twenty-four hours required by the shift. In the event of a large scale incident, the firefighters may be called into work and will be expected to stay for the duration of the event or until feasible for release from the incident. Firefighters involved in a large scale event should expect extended periods of time away from home for the safe conclusion of the event. May be subject to insects, snakes, rodents or spiders. May be required to be available for after normal business hours. Specific vision abilities required include close vision and the ability to adjust focus.

This job description is not intended to be a contract for employment, and the employer reserves the right to make any necessary revisions to the job description at any time without notice.

Employee Signature: _____ Date: _____