

Siren Test for 3/29/2023

Present were Aaron Hankins (Myself), Ryan Welde, Josh Rathmann, and Police Chief James Kerr.

We attempted to start the test at noon but soon found that we were not transmitting the signal to start the sirens. After some troubleshooting we found that a wire had been pulled out of the back of a power supply to our transmitting equipment. We repaired the connection and then ran a successful test of all the Sirens together, and then each one individually, to confirm each siren was operating correctly.

It appears that besides the initial transmitting issue, the test was successful. However there were some noted problems with the Code Red warning of the siren test. The warning left some folks out, what I do not yet know is if this is because some folks are not signed up in the system or if it was an error on my part. I am still investigating.

Anyway, having confirmed that the sirens work, I wish to get into a regular monthly testing schedule. With approval from Steve and the Assembly, I hope to test the sirens every 1st Wednesday of the month, starting May 3rd. After obtaining approval, I plan to start advertising the regular testing schedule with the Petersburg Pilot and KFSK.

-Aaron Hankins

PVFD Director