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Fire Department Launches First Firefighter Recruit Program

Troup County, Ga. August 18, 2020 – The Troup County Fire Department has launched a basic firefighter recruit program for the first time in history. The department welcomed eleven new Troup County Fire Department recruits and one new West Point Fire Department recruit on Monday, August 17, 2020.

The program is eight weeks long and consists of essential classroom and physical training with an emphasis in hands-on training at the Troup County Fire Administration Building. The fire department will host a graduation ceremony along with a pinning of the badge of new firefighters at the end of the class.

The recruit class is being led by Captain/Training Officer Garon “Rusty” Brown, who is excited for this new opportunity for the department. “This is a huge step for our fire department, and I’m thrilled to be a part of this advancement. This will enable our recruits to remain close to their homes and families while in training, work directly with our staff to learn knowledge-based skills related to Troup County, and come out more advanced and ready to go to work in our department,” said Brown.

On Monday morning, District 2 Commissioner Ellis P. Cadenhead, County Manager Eric Mosley, and Fire Chief John Ekaitis formally welcomed the new class of recruits by providing words of wisdom and encouragement to all twelve members in the class.

Generous donations were made possible by Cera Products Inc., LaGrange Equipment & Tool Rental, Loy’s Office Supplies, and Walmart, which will directly contribute to the success of the recruit program.

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