

Central Whidbey Island Fire & Rescue

1164 Race Road Coupeville, WA 98239

Professionalism • Integrity • Compassion • Excellence (360) 678-3602 www.cwfire.org

Report to the Commissioners 08/14/14

Emergency Response Activity

	July		2014	
	Total	%	Total	%
Fire	3	2.61%	22	3.36%
Overpressure, Rupture, Explosion, Overheat-No Fire	0	0.00%	1	0.15%
Rescue & EMS	64	55.65%	422	64.43%
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	1	0.87%	28	4.27%
Service Call	11	9.57%	44	6.72%
Good Intent (Canceled En-Route, Mistaken Alarm)	28	24.35%	105	16.03%
False Alarm/False Call	8	6.96%	33	5.04%
Severe Weather & Natural Disaster	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Special Incident Type	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Total Incidents	115	·	655	

In July medical responses, CWIFR arrived prior to Whidbey General Hospital (WGH) EMS 43.67% of the time. 56.32% of the time that WGH EMS arrived first, and 26.43% of the time WGH EMS canceled CWIFR units prior to arrival.

During the month of July, CWIFR experienced three instances in which multiple calls for emergency service were received concurrently (total of 6 incidents). Each instance involved a medical response concurrent with either another medical response or marine rescue incident.

Recruitment/Training

Recruitment: Two new volunteer inquiries of interest were received through the District web site and two applicants successfully completed the panel interview process. A total of 13 new volunteers are in the recruitment process (to start with the 2015 Academy and EMT Class).

Fire & Rescue Training: Throughout the month of July, 14 hours of in-service training were delivered on a variety of topics including:

- Self-contained breathing apparatus
- Integrated skill drill (personal protective equipment, hose, and ladders)
- First arriving company drills (with South Whidbey Fire/EMS)
- Size-up simulations

EMS Training: Throughout the month of July, four hours of Ongoing Training and Evaluation Program (OTEP) were completed including the annual infectious disease refresher.

Community Risk Reduction

Community Risk Reduction Coalition: On Friday, July 18th, the Whidbey Island Community Risk Reduction Coalition met to discuss branding and marketing of the coalition. The members present selected Liz Loomis as marketing consultant and Chief Hartin was tasked with meeting with Liz to develop a work schedule for the process of branding.

Shift Activity

A Shift reports the following activity:

- 16 hours of in-service training completed including, apparatus operator training, first arriving company evolutions, and self-contained breathing apparatus emergencies.
- 8 hours of physical training
- 2 Fire and Life Safety Inspection
- CPR Drill with Camp Casey Lifeguards
- Car Seat Safety Check Event at Station 51 in conjunction with Whidbey General Hospital EMS

B Shift reports the following activity:

- 14 hours in-service training completed including apparatus operator skills, ladders, hose evolutions, EMS OTEP training, Emergency Vehicle Incident Prevention (EVIP), and selfcontained breathing apparatus emergencies.
- Completed 6 hours of physical training
- 3 Fire and Life Safety Inspection
- Community CPR Class

C Shift reports the following activity:

- 11.5 hours of in-service training completed including apparatus operator qualification, hose evolutions, door entry, CPR and EMS OTEP training.
- 3 hours of physical training
- 17 Fire & Life Safety Inspections
- Physical Inventory

Facilities Maintenance

Facilities Study: The Facilities Working Group met with Ed McManamna and Dave Fergus of Rice Fergus Miller on July 9, 2014 to review initial programming for Stations 51, 53, and 54 based on initial input from the District. The working group determined that 1) information would be required from Whidbey General Hospital regarding potential expansion of Station 51 and 2) that the working group would require additional time for review and discussion before the next meeting with the staff from Rice Fergus Miller. LT Vrable will be scheduling a meeting with Roger Meyers, Ed McManamna and District staff in August.

Apparatus Maintenance

During the month of July fleet maintenance consisted of regular preventive maintenance services and some repairs to equipment. The 1911 annual inspections on the fleet should be completed shortly.

Annual pump testing will follow as soon as Fire Service Repair can schedule us. Implementation of fleet maintenance software will be wrapping up in the next few weeks. FF/MECH Matros have begun using the software and entering data concerning labor and parts and additional fleet information. The officers' side compartment door and additional hardware for B 53 has been received from Fouts Brothers and it is scheduled to go to the body shop August 7th for repair.

Repairs/Service: Specific repair and service activity in the month of July included:

- E 51, E 53, E 54 Quarterly pump transmission service completed
- E 51, E 53, B 53 Pump packing adjusted
- E 51 Received new front tires
- C 501 Repaired right rear back up light and front brush guard imbedded emergency lights
- C 501-Front bumper (collision with deer) was repaired by Main Street Collision
- C 501 Preventative maintenance service
- M 5 Repaired emergency lights and master electrical switch

FF/MECH Matros is continuing to work on my Heavy Apparatus task book. He will be taking the next two ASE tests needed in the EVT certification track on Aug. 9th and he has scheduled the next EVT test in the certification track for September.

Administration

Deputy Chief Recruitment: Eight applications were received for the position of Deputy Chief, four were deemed to be qualified. However, two candidates dropped from the process (one due to schedule and the other for personal reasons). As only two candidates remained, we have reopened applications with a closing date of October 3, 2014 and a tentative date for the assessment center of November 4-5, 2014.

2015 Budget: Chief Hartin met with the Community Budget Working Group comprised of Mr. Dave Fish, Mr. Pete Seybert, and Mr. William Wiegand to review the budget process and receive feedback on the 2015 budget assumptions and draft performance measures. Work continues on development of Division Budgets. Chief Hartin and Office Manager Kim Harpe have begun data entry and development of the draft 2015 Maintenance and Operations Budget. In addition, Chief Hartin and Office Manager Harpe completed preliminary revisions to the long term financial plan and capital plan.

Information Technology: Ategan is scheduled to be on site August 21st and 22nd to begin work reconfiguring the District's server (we are currently operating on a loaner server). Once this task is complete, work will begin on e-mail archiving, off-site backup, and installation of the certificate server to support use of I-Pads to access the Spillman CAD from the apparatus.

Radio Infrastructure Project: All equipment for the radio infrastructure project has been received and ICOM started work this morning to begin the upgrade. While initially anticipated that this work would be complete by the end of July, delay in receipt of some equipment has resulted in a one month delay in the target completion date.

New Apparatus/Apparatus Refurbishment: Chief Hartin completed an in progress inspection of the new engine with no major deficiencies noted. In progress photos are posted frequently to the Spartan ERV web site (http://www.spartanerv.com/delivery.aspx?id=54006). This apparatus is scheduled for final

inspection on August 20, 2014. AIC CAPT Helm and FF/MECH Matros will be flying to Brandon, SD to perform this inspection, witness the pump test, and will drive the engine back to the District if the apparatus is accepted.

Earlier this month, AIC CAPT Helm and FF/MECH Matros performed an in progress inspection of the water tender being refurbished by True North in Hillsboro, OR. They were impressed with the quality of the work and found no significant deficiencies. Completion is anticipated in early September.

The District anticipates delivery of the new staff vehicle (Chevrolet Tahoe) in early September. This vehicle will be assigned to the Deputy Chief once this position is filled.

External Activity

Chief Hartin attended the final meeting for the Underwriters Laboratories Attic Fires Research Project in Northbrook, IL on July 24' 2014. The purpose of this meeting was to determine the tactical considerations and conclusions of this research project based on full scale experiments conducted in the UL large fire research lab and in the field.

Chief Hartin will be presenting two educational sessions at Fire Rescue International (FRI) in Dallas, TX August 13-16, 2014. One session will address fire behavior in the modern fire environment and the other is a case study of how CWIFR has used interest based bargaining and its positive impact on labor relations in the District. Expenses for attendance at FRI are paid by the conference and travel and lodging are paid by the Chief.

Chief Hartin will also be attending a Underwriters Laboratories Firefighter Safety Research Institute (UL FSRI) Advisory Board meeting in Jackson, WY on August 25-27. All expenses for participating in this meeting are paid by UL.

Chief Hartin will be on Paid Time Off (PTO) in September 6-21, 2014 and will be delivering two fire behavior courses in Brussels, Belgium.

Submitted by:

Edward E. Hartin, MS, EFO, FIFireE, CFO

Fire Chief