



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 10/09/14

Emergency Response Activity

	October		2014	
	Total	%	Total	%
Fire	1	1.02%	26	3.02%
Overpressure, Rupture, Explosion, Overheat-No Fire	0	0.00%	1	0.12%
Rescue & EMS	68	62.24%	557	64.77%
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	8	8.16%	42	4.88%
Service Call	5	9.18%	52	6.05%
Good Intent (Canceled En-Route, Mistaken Alarm)	14	16.33%	138	16.05%
False Alarm/False Call	5	4.08%	44	5.12%
Severe Weather & Natural Disaster	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Special Incident Type	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Total Incidents	101		860	

In October medical responses, CWIFR arrived prior to Whidbey General Hospital EMS 43.75% of the time. 56.25% of the time that WGH EMS arrived first, and 16.25% of the time WGH EMS canceled CWIFR units prior to arrival.

During the month of October, CWIFR experienced eight instances in which multiple calls for emergency service were received concurrently (total of 16 incidents). Each instance involved a medical response concurrent with another medical response, hazardous condition, or false alarm.

Recruitment/Training

Recruitment: A total of 15 new volunteers are in the recruitment process and two of our current EMTs is in the process of completing the requirements to attend the Fire Academy. In addition, Jessica Larson has completed the requirements to join CWIFR as a Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Specialist. The on-line interest application continues to provide an effective mechanism for community members to connect with volunteer opportunities to serve with CWIFR (two more received within the last several weeks).

Fire & Rescue Training: Throughout the month of October, 8 hours of in-service training were delivered on a variety of topics including:

- SCBA Proficiency
- Attack Hoseline Deployment
- Supply Hose and Portable Tank Operations
- Instructor I Written Test

EMS Training: Throughout the month of October, four hours of EMS training were completed including an update on infectious diseases (Ebola) and Ongoing Training and Evaluation Program (OTEP) skills makeup.

New Apparatus: AIC Captain Helm and FF/MECH Matros working with Spartan ERV and True North Emergency Equipment to address several warranty issues. The target in-service target for the new engine is early December. The tender undergoing refurbishment was delivered and following resolution of an issue with one of the dump valves has been placed in service at Station 53.

Community Risk Reduction

Community Risk Reduction Coalition: A meeting of the coalition and work on branding and development of key messages will be scheduled for late November.

Chief Hartin and B Shift have conducted community risk reduction activities in partnership with the Coupeville Neighborhood Emergency Teams (NET) during the month of October. CWIFR will be delivering training to each neighborhood team in Coupeville (10 teams) over the next year.

Shift Activity

A Shift reports the following activity:

- 8 hours of in-service training completed including, apparatus operator training, size-up, search with a hoseline, and SCBA proficiency.
- 3 hours of physical training
- 3 Fire and Life Safety Inspections
- 8 Fire Safety Week Presentations
- Installed 1 Smoke Detector
- 12 Hydrants Flow Tested
- 12 Hydrants Inspected
- Development of County Fire Inspections List (70% complete)
- 5 Address Signs installed
- Annual Hose Testing

B Shift reports the following activity:

- 16 hours in-service training completed including apparatus operator skills, ladder and hose evolutions and EMS OTEP.
- Completed 6 hours of physical training
- 8 Fire and Life Safety Inspection
- 5 Fire Safety Week Presentations
- 12 Hydrants Flow Tested
- 12 Hydrants Inspected
- Hands Only CPR Class for Coupeville Neighborhood Emergency Teams
- Annual Hose Testing

C Shift reports the following activity:

- 12 hours of in-service training completed including apparatus operator, water supply, progressive hose lays (wildland) and EMS OTEP.
- 5 hours of physical training
- Conducted monthly community CPR Class
- 5 Fire Safety Week Presentations
- 12 Hydrants Flow Tested
- 12 Hydrants Inspected
- Annual Hose Testing

Facilities Maintenance

LT Vrable attended a facilities maintenance training program in Reno, NV.

Apparatus Maintenance

During the month of October fleet maintenance consisted of regular preventive maintenance services and misc. repairs to equipment. Annual pump testing and ladder testing were completed on October 21st. All of our pumping apparatus passed the testing. We only had one ladder fail inspection and is currently being repaired and will be back in service shortly. AIC Captian Helm and FF/Mechanic Matros have been moving forward in the process to bring our recently purchased Engine and our refurbished water tender into service.

Repairs & Service: During the month of October, the following repairs and service were completed:

- B-53 performed scheduled preventative maintenance inspection
- E-53 repaired auto eject, pump recirculating valve, performed quarterly preventative maintenance to the pump transmission, and repaired emergency lighting.
- E-54 repaired faulty discharge gauge and minor body trim.
- 501 received new tires
- 500 completed estimate and scheduled for body damage resulting from an accidental deer strike.
- R-51 repaired chainsaw
- S-591 received a scheduled preventative maintenance service and repair from Toyota for recall
- B-54 Installed a new back up alarm

Training & Qualification: FF/Mechanic Matros will be taking the next two ASE tests before the end of the year to complete the requirements for Emergency Vehicle Technician Level II.

Administration

Deputy Chief Recruitment: The recruitment process has been completed and the District has made a conditional offer to Division Chief Robert (Charlie) Smith of Yuma AZ. Chief Smith is anticipated to complete his medical physical and psychological assessment the second week of December and begin work with the District shortly after January 1, 2015.

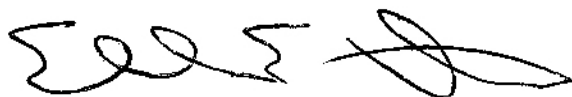
2015 Budget: The Draft 2015 District Budget has been completed was submitted to the Board for review last month. A public budget hearing was held on October 20, 2015 and is scheduled for adoption at this evening's meeting.

Information Technology: Ategan provided the District with an analysis of services provided since March 2014. Our IT service provider has averaged 33.86 hours per month. The current complete services plan has resulted in a savings of \$1,635 per month in comparison to a pay as you go plan. In consultation with Ategan, District Executive Staff plan on continuing the current service plan at least through March of 2015 and will reassess the value of the complete services plan at that time.

External Activity

As Vice President of the Institution of Fire Engineers USA Branch, Chief Hartin attended a Branch strategic planning meeting held in Dallas, TX on November 7-8, 2014. Expenses were divided between the Branch (lodging and meals), Chief Hartin (airfare and parking), and the District (ferry fare and the Chief's time).

Submitted by:



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