

Station 53 Construction Project

Working with Tiger Construction on a few last-minute punch list items. Electrical room door hardware had to be changed per L&I, water system validation testing, trap pump, bay floors and front door.

Other Administrative work

Chief Helm attended final in person construction meetings for station 53 in Mt Vernon working through final payments and credits. Chief Helm attended the Island County Fire Chiefs, EMS council, and ICOM Fire Tac meetings.

Chief Helm is continuing to work with the state department of commerce on obtaining our \$2.7 million dollar grant.

Training & Development

Administrative

Participated in the Station 53 dedication and grand opening event on March 9th.

Met with two attorneys in an hour-long Zoom meeting on 21st regarding the tort claim investigation and documentation.

Recruitment

Interviewed one volunteer candidate on the 20th and reviewed a volunteer applicant.

In-Service Training

Continued teaching and managing the 2024 Whidbey Island Fire Academy. There are twenty (20) firefighter recruits enrolled in the academy of which three (3) are from CWIFR. Several of the training sessions are held at Station 53 and Station 54.

Conducted one "hands-on" drill session on the use of the BlitzFire attack device on the 12th. We participated in a joint "hands-on" training session with WhidbeyHealth EMS on the 14th on the operation of the Lucas CPR device in preparation for deployment in the field. I presented an OTEP class on basic stroke and blood pressures emergencies on the 18th and 19th. On the 26th we held a class on basic hostile and violent scene safety called "*Survive the Streets!*" in a joint training session with Island County Sheriff Sergeants Chris Garden and Chris Peabody.

Continuing with orientation training on the new Marine 5 including towing the boat, backing the trailer, launching the boat, navigation and maneuvering, and operation of the many systems on the boat. This training has almost exclusively been provided by FF Kole Kellison.

Collaboration

Assisted with lieutenant promotional assessment and testing at Snohomish County Airport Fire Department at Paine Field on the 13th, and South Whidbey Fire EMS on the 22nd.

Operations

On March 12th, CWIFR hosted kids from ECEAP, approximately 20 kids and their chaperones came out to station 53 for a station tour

Whidbey Health and CWIFR have continued work on partnering to provide an AED to Rhododendron Park. The AED is being installed at Rhody Park. WH and CWIFR also conducted a training at Station 53 for coaches and associates of CWLL on March 22nd covering concussions, bleeding, AED/CPR. We had approximately 40 attendees.

The LUCAS device has been placed into service on A503.

Luke Hiller, Sonja Lindenstein, and I have been taking a look at the programs we utilize for the variety of programs and processes we have. The hope is to streamline our programs (cut some loose) or utilize other programs that will make our department more efficient.

Crews have been moved into Station 53 as of March 22nd.

Special OPS

Marine training provided by FF Kellison. FF Kellison/Stavros adjusted the bunks for better boat position. Electric winch is in planning stages for install on new trailer (winch is from old M5 trailer). Boat trailer tire replaced with spare by FF Kellison and FF Stavros.

PPE/Respiratory Protection

FF Lloyd scheduled extractor programming to be done on April 1st to make extractor functional. Decon room started to be outfitted with proper cleaning gear and supplies. Fire academy recruits were issued SCBA packs and bottles for academy. Bunker coat sent out for warranty zipper repair.

Radios/Pagers

We received the charging stations for our new radios.

Medical Supplies and CPR

FF Lloyd ordered supplies for inventory and expiring medical supplies and a new AED battery for E53 ordered that is expiring

Reports

FF Rhodes reviewed approximately 95 calls for March (Rhodes on vacation end of March)

Other

Battery cache restocked for districts batteries needs. E53(2103) tool box replaced due to rusted out bottom.

Facilities

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Hung pull-up bar in gym

Made and hung wood hanger in gym

Hung whiteboard in gym

Installed hooks and shower racks in bathrooms

Assembled night stands for bedrooms

Place mattress covers on beds

Ordered supplies and equipment for 53

Assisted with moving into station 53

Weed preventer on barked areas of 53

HVAC maintenance walk through

Fire sprinkler system walk through

Water system walk through

Generator walk through

Cleaned all 20 A/C filters

Installed door stoppers on auto closing interior doors

Ordered janitorial supplies

Station 54

Station 54 burn tower mowed, weedeated and debris taken to ICSW. Huge thanks to Robert Moore and Luke Hillier.

Community Risk Reduction

Monthly Inspection Progress

A shift completed 6 of 6 March initial inspections.

B shift completed 3 of 4 March initial inspections.

C shift completed 3 of 4 March initial inspections.

Yearly Inspection Progress

A shift completed 15/16 YTD or 93.4%

B shift completed 12/15 YTD or 93.3%

C shift completed 12/15 YTD or 80%

Home Safety Survey/Installations

3/1/24 LT Porter assisted a homeowner with a CO issue

CRR Programs and other inspection activity

3/1/24 LT Porter conducted 2 tent inspections for Mussel festival.

3/1/24 LT Porter investigated alarm issues at the Coupeville Wharf

3/1/24 LT Porter met with Town building official Scott Austin to discuss Mussel tent corrections needed

LT Porter and LT Huff are completing B shift inspections for the duration that AIC LT Majestic is off shift.

LT Porter provided assistance to ISCO to investigate a vehicle fire in Langley.

Fleet Maintenance Division

Repair and Maintenance

Unit 2002 (B-53) – Repairs were made to Hannay Hose reel and pump controls.

Unit 2103 (E-53) – Adjustments made on the RR crew door.

Unit 2101 (E-51) – Diagnosed and repaired crew communication headset.

Unit 2102 (E-54) – Continuing 500hr NFPA 1911 service and emergency repair of pump panel compartment roll up door.

Unit 2102 (E-54) – Replaced exhaust diffuser due to service damage.

Engines E-51, E-53, and E-54 – Assisted Rosenbauer's contracted warranty technician in repairs to all three trucks: These repairs included Weldon V-mux system updates pertaining to a manufacturer recall, E-51's update to the vista screen specific to CWIFR, roll up door repair on E-54, foam system diagnostics on E-53.

Other Fleet Maintenance Activity

In addition to work on the fleet Matros has been moving CWIFR's parts inventory to station 53. Once organized this will facilitate much greater efficiency and inventory control.