



Clark County Fire & Rescue Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting Minutes

May 11, 2017

Meeting called to order by Commissioner Kolke at 4:00 p.m.

Flag salute.

Present: Commissioners Jerry Kolke, Bob Johnson, Dave Town, Stan Chunn, Dave Lester, Ken Ayers. Chief John Nohr. Division Chiefs Tim Dawdy, and Mike Jackson. DVC Yager attending Homeland Security meeting. Commissioner Jon Babcock absent. Commissioner Larry Bartel excused. Recording Secretary Maureen Groat.

CALL FOR LATE AGENDA ADDITIONS

Chief Nohr requested an addition to the agenda to discuss an amendment to the mutual aid for fire protection agreement with agencies responding to the Resort.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Johnson to approve the consent agenda as presented. Second Commissioner Chunn. Motion passed unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS

Chief Nohr shared a thank you note from the Housing Opportunities of SW Washington and the Read More Learn More Initiative committee for our crew's visit to Lilac Place Apartments and the presentation on fire safety. An additional thank you from the Columbia River Yachting Club for the addition of our fire boat to their event was shared.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Clark County Risk Management Group

No meeting. No report.

EMS Council

No meeting. No report.

Fairgrounds Fire Facility Board

Commissioner Johnson reported there was a meeting on May 10th. The Sheriff's Department has moved from the Brush Prairie location, which is creating a space issue at the Safety Complex. They would like to have one additional bay, but space is limited. There were no bids received for the roofing project. Chief Yager spoke with one company, who showed interest and was informed that they had a miscommunication regarding the job. A second set of letters will go out to those roofing contractors on the small

works roster in an effort to secure and award the contract to the best fit for the project.

Finance Committee

No meeting. No report

RFA Committee

No meeting. No report.

Commissioner Updates

Commissioner Ayers commented on how nice the new sign and grounds look at Station 25.

STAFF REPORTS

Administrative Services

April report summarized by Chief Nohr in the absence of Chief Yager.

Operations

April report summarized by DVC Jackson. Chief Jackson stated that in the next month crews will spend time deep cleaning our stations. A discussion followed regarding Labor and Industries inspections. Commissioner Lester shared that it would be beneficial to the department to invite L&I inspectors to the stations before they assign a time for inspections to take action on any items that might need attention before an actual inspection.

Prevention/PIO

April report summarized by DVC Dawdy.

District Secretary/Chief

April report summarized by Chief Nohr.

St 151 Roof Replacement – Project Award

Discussed under Fairgrounds Fire Facility Board report.

POLICY REVIEW – VEHICLE OPERATION POLICY NO. 524.11.02

Chief Nohr stated the Vehicle Operation Policy No 524.11.02 is pretty straight forward. Asked if there were any concerns. Short discussion. Some commissioners did not receive a copy of the policy. Will review and come back for an approval at the May 25th meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

LATE ADDITIONS

Chief Nohr stated there have been some concerns voiced regarding partnering agencies responding at the Resort and their insurance coverage. He has consulted with Brian Snure and has been advised that they are fully covered. While Snure advised it is not necessary, an amendment to the existing contract held with the

Cowlitz will be added, stating all mutual aid partners will be covered under the agreement when responding. The Clark County attorney believes the Cowlitz should join EMS Dist 2. They are working through some issues, but in the interim there should be no concerns that an ambulance would not respond.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

No further discussion. Meeting adjourned at 4:57 p.m.




Attest, John Nohr
Fire Chief/District Secretary



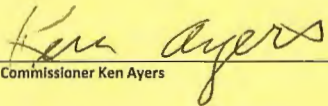
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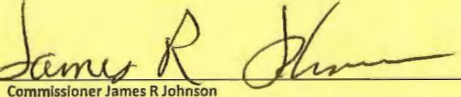
1. Minutes
 - April 27 General Meeting
2. Pre-paid Invoices
 - \$ 128,595.59 (CCFR Benefits)
 - i. Check Nos. 5925 – 5935 dated April 27
 - \$ 18,088.27 (CCFR)
 - i. Check Nos. 17542 – 17559 dated May 1
 - \$ 602.84 (FFFB)
 - i. Check No. 17541 dated May 1
 - \$ 54,770.55 (CCFR DRS)
 - i. Check No. 5936 dated April 28
3. Current Invoices
 - None
4. Voided/Destroyed Claims/Payroll Warrants
 - None


Commissioner Jerry Kolke – Chair

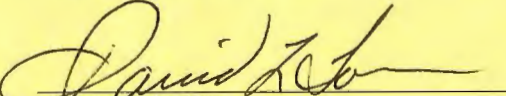

Commissioner – Stanley Chunn – Vice Chair

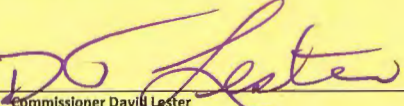
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Commissioner David Lester

Staff Report



To: Commissioners, Chief Nohr

From: Dan Yager, Administrative Services Division Chief

Date: 5/8/2017

Re: April Administrative Services Update

GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES:

Levy Proposition

All documents necessary for the August 1 lid lift proposition have been submitted to the County Elections and Assessor's Offices.

FINANCE:

2016 Annual Financial Report

Annual financial reports for CCF&R and Clark 2 have been submitted to the State Auditor's Office. They have been notified we are ready to schedule our 2015-16 financial and 2014-16 accountability audits. The unaudited CCF&R report has been uploaded to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (MSRB) Gateway to meet the continuing disclosure requirements as required by the Security and Exchange Commission (SEC) for our outstanding bond issues. These reports will be updated post-audit. Our Dun & Bradstreet account has also been updated.

Surplus Assets

The 1999 Polaris Ranger sold for \$3,750. The old Vodavi phones sold for \$125 plus \$10 for handling the shipment to a phone reseller in Arizona. Auction fees totaled \$137.50.

FACILITIES & EQUIPMENT:

Station 29

I continue to meet every other week with the contractor, architect and the City of Woodland. The ground work is complete and the metal for the bays should arrive today, (5/08). We've picked a mobile home and are awaiting the second set of drawing for review. The Station Captain has recommended a couple of changes that we will be making.

Station 151

Bids for replacing the roof were due Thursday May 4th. No bids were received. I have called some of the potential bidders to try to find out why and was told they are too busy right now. We will go back out for bid and allow more time for completing the project, the current deadline was October 31st.

Safety upgrades

As previously reported, we have been working on making sure our facilities and apparatus are safe and compliant with L & I rules. I have met with several folks from other departments around the area that have recently gone through an L & I inspection and they have been very helpful in providing information. It is my intent to make sure we are 100% compliant and able to sustain compliance forever. We did receive and install eye wash stations at each station and

flammable liquid cabinets have been ordered. Lists of safety concerns as evaluated by Steve Streissguth and the “dirty dozen” list put out by the WFCMA have been distributed to each Station Captain. They are in the process of evaluating their stations to identify issues and to assure all requirements are met. I will keep you informed as we get through this process.

Apparatus decals

With the exception of Medic 29, we have completed replacing the FD 2 and Woodland decals on our apparatus with the CCF&R decals. Each engine also has a decal indicating the city/area they serve.



HUMAN RESOURCES:

Member Updates

Captain Jesse Martin resigned his position with CCFR effective 4/28/17. He accepted a position with Vancouver Fire Department.

Firefighter Ian Fagan was re-hired effective 5/1/17 from the 3 year re-employment list that was created after the lay-offs in 2015.

Disability payment

We received a check from UNUM in the amount of \$21,587.29 for payment of a short-term disability claim. This money goes directly to the District since the employee was on paid leave. The employee will receive a lump sum deposit of hours back into their sick leave accrual bank.

Staff Report



To: John Nohr, Fire Chief; Commissioners

From: Michael J. Jackson, Division Chief

Date: 5/11/2017

Re: Operations Staff Report- April 2017

General Operations Update

- Work and coordination with District 3 continues. Jackson met with Sorenson are working to standardize response plans between the Districts where practical.
- Our work and strong relationship with the Cowlitz tribe continues and our crews have had very positive comments about interactions with staff at the resort. Dedicated coverage for the Ilani resort was provided on 4 key days at peak times with the initial opening.
- A draft contract for 25 years has been presented to Woodland for their review and comments as we work towards a final agreement that will include future consideration for annexation.
- An initial outline of critical knowledge, skills, and abilities for BC position has been drafted and will be refined to establish testing and succession planning guidance.
- Firefighter Cushwa is back from the academy and assigned to B-shift.
- DVC Jackson attended the FDIC International training conference and expo in Indianapolis with no cost to the District, except for time. The conference was attended by 33,979 people from 58 nations and over 800 exhibitors spread over 900,000+ square feet of exhibit space.

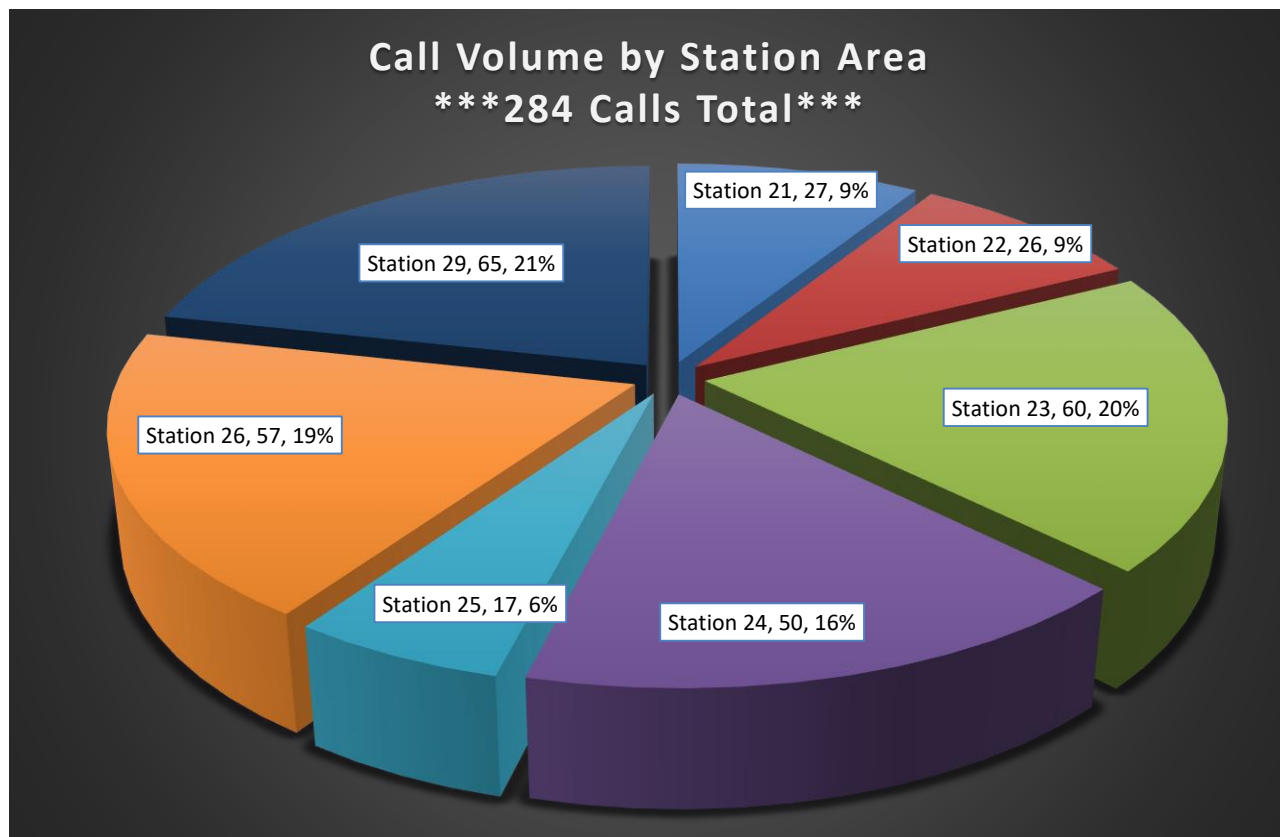
Training – Captain Rommel

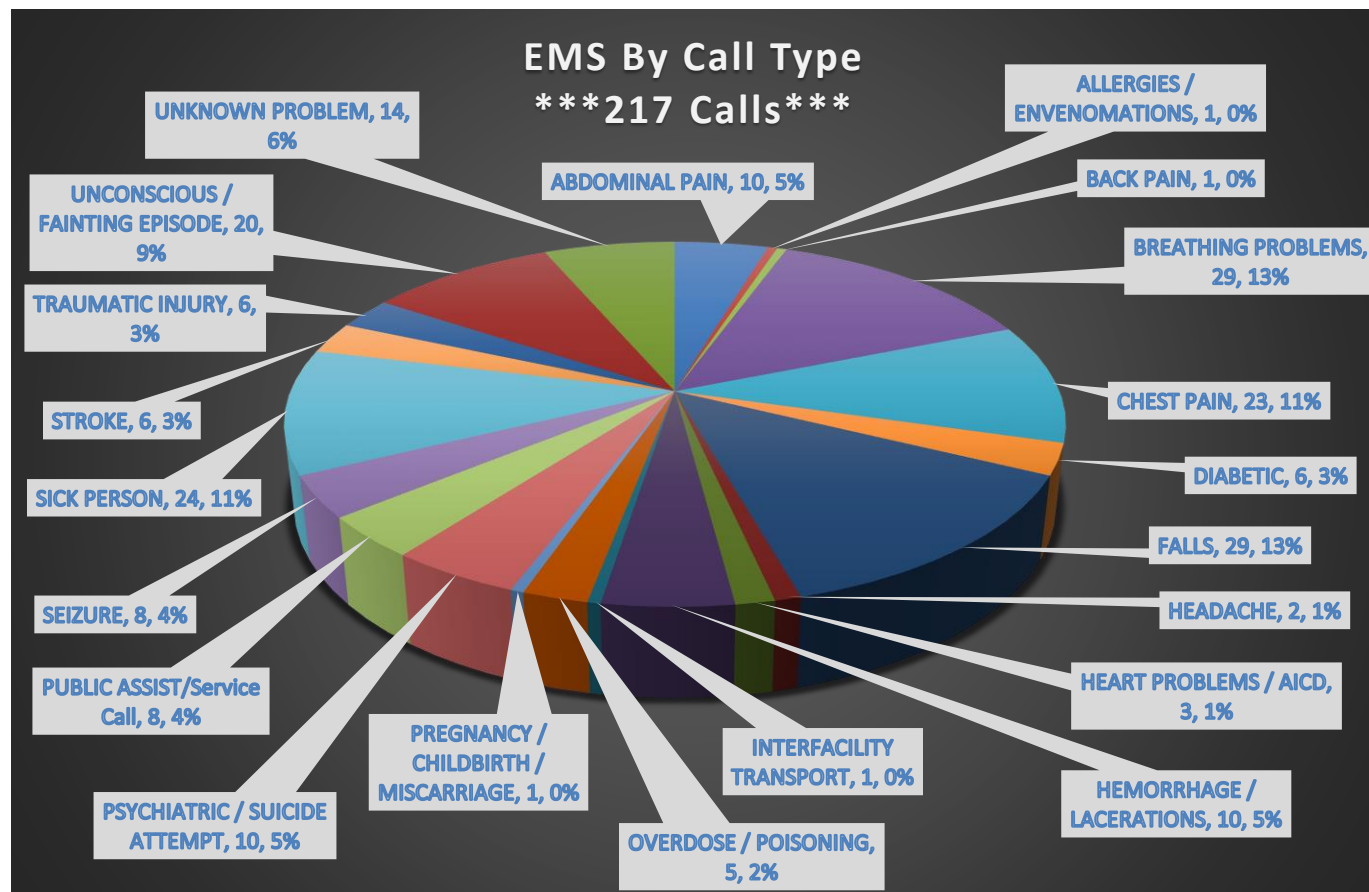
- **EMS**
 - PCEP lecture coordinated by Dr. Wittwer on TEMS/Law Enforcement Topics.
 - Kaiser Permanente educated the crews on Ventricular Assist Devices that some of our citizens have.
- **Fire**
 - Art of Reading Smoke class instructed by Chief Nohr.
 - Annual Wildland Refresher.
 - Wildland progressive hose lays.

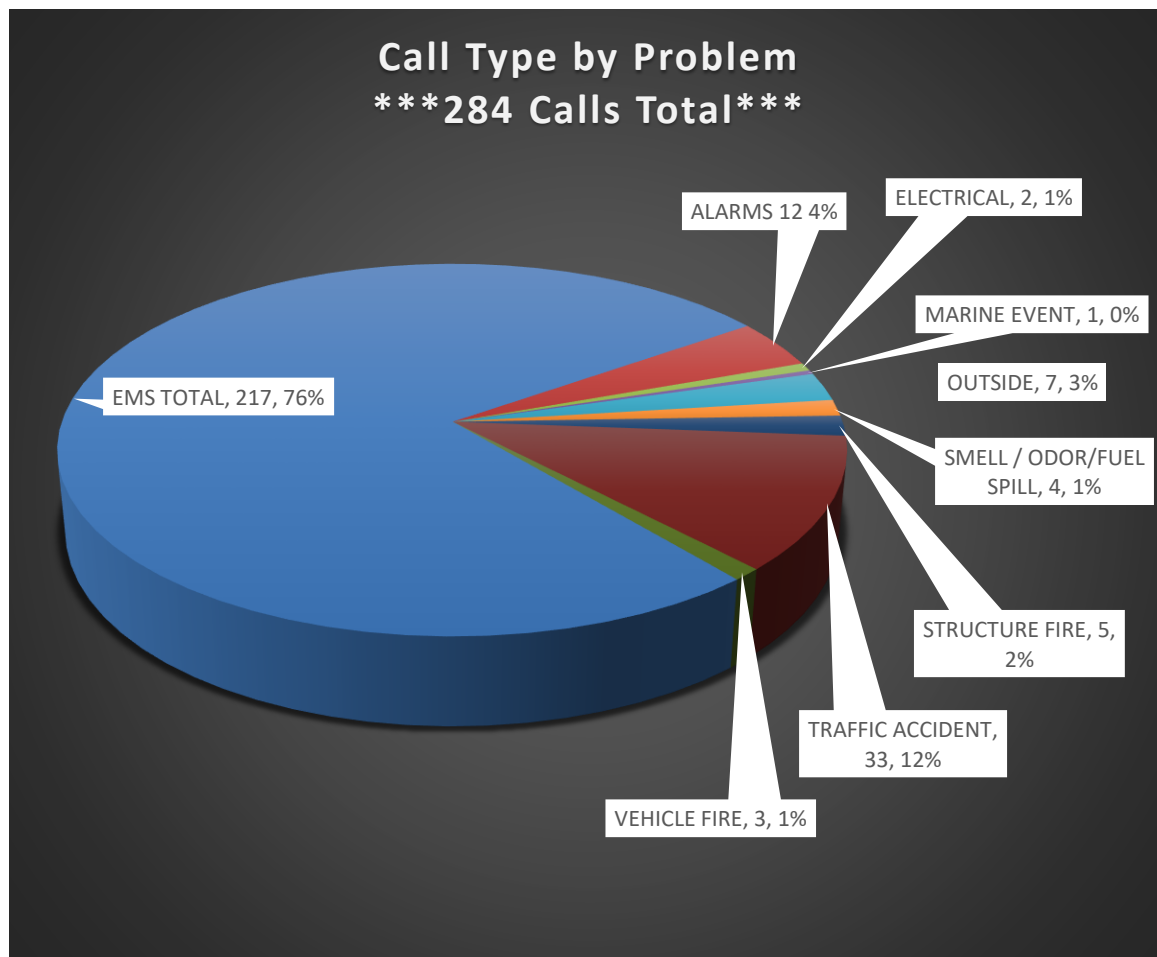
- **Rescue**
 - Marine members did a familiarization and rescue boat operations drill on the North Fork of the Lewis River. Organized by Captain Frahler.
 - TRT members participated in water rescue drill on the East Fork of the Lewis River. .
- **Outside Training**
 - Airen attended Region Four EMS Council Training Conference and a Workshop on Highly Infections Diseases.
- **IFSAC Testing**
 - Assisted FD3 with Firefighter 1 test.

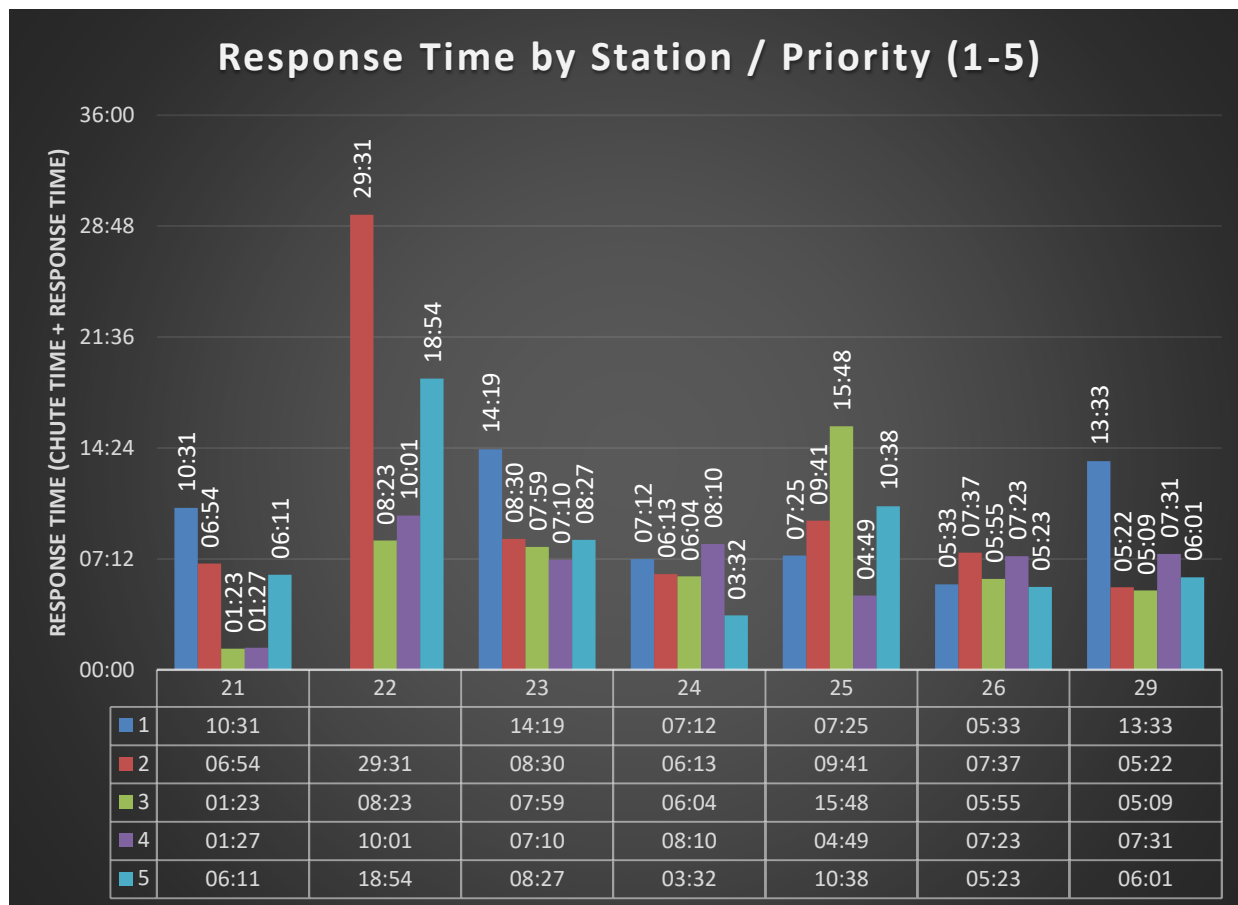


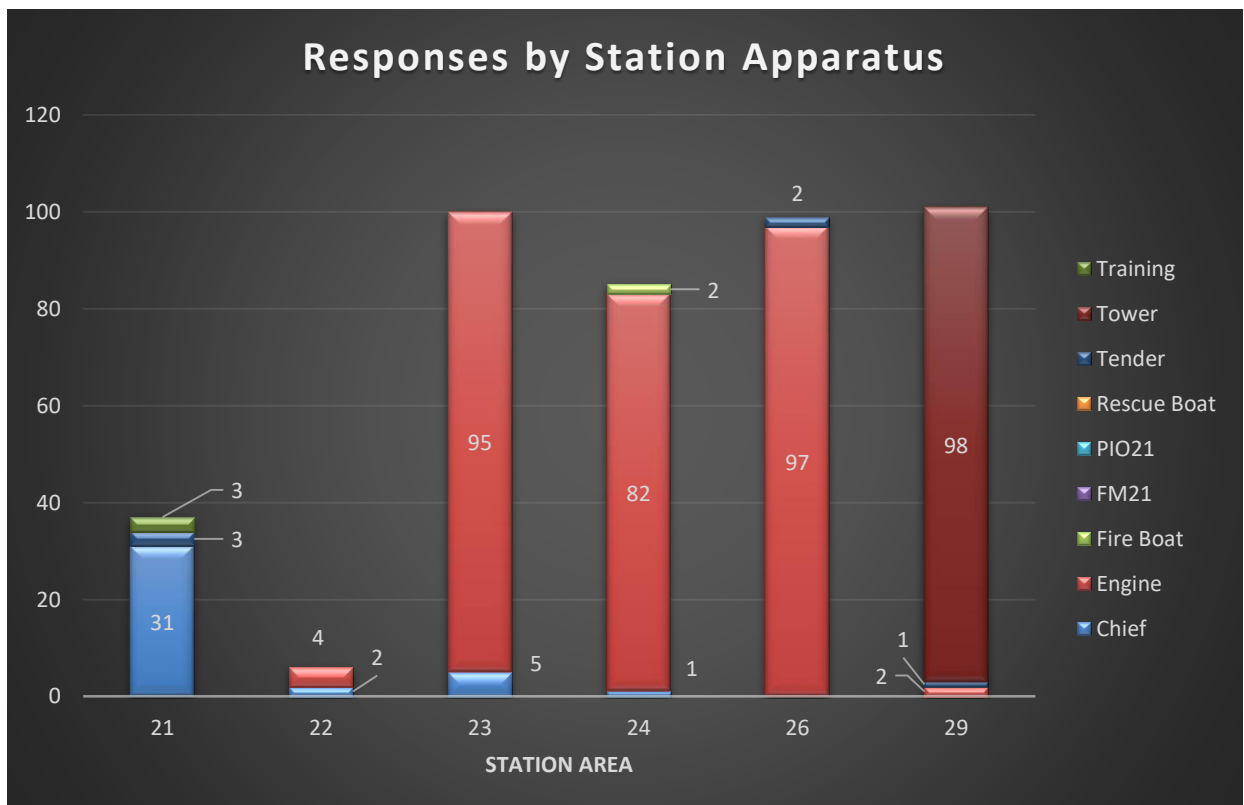
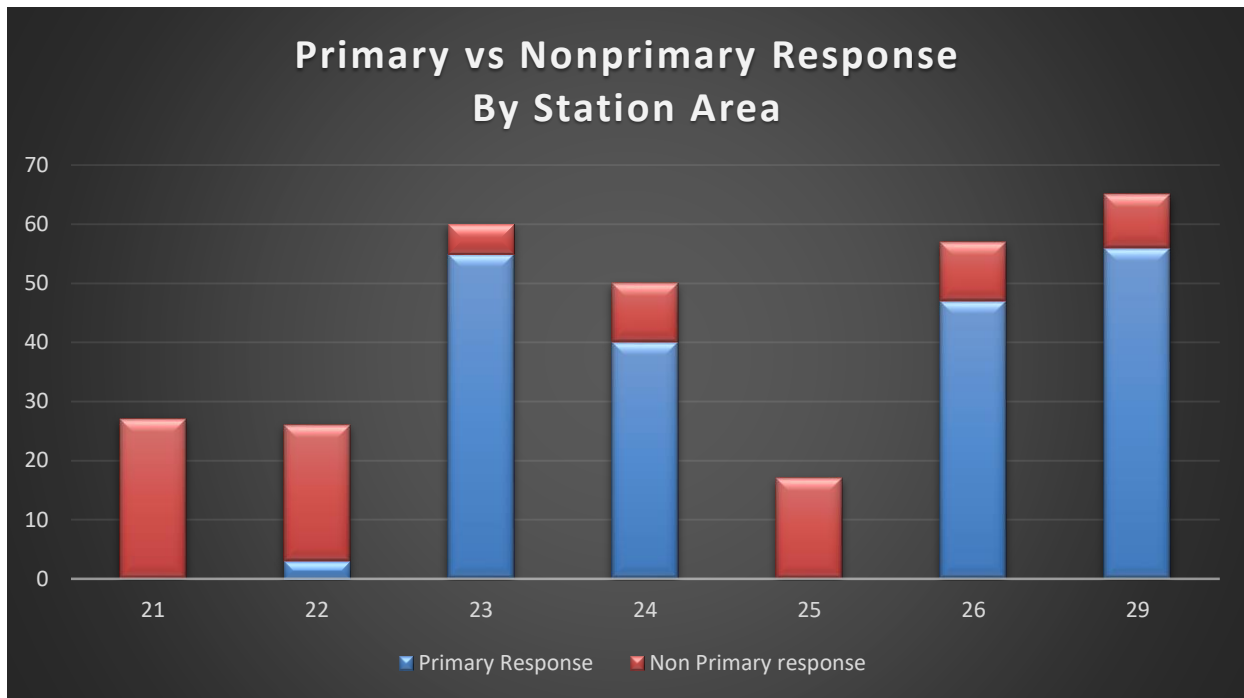
April Response Statistics

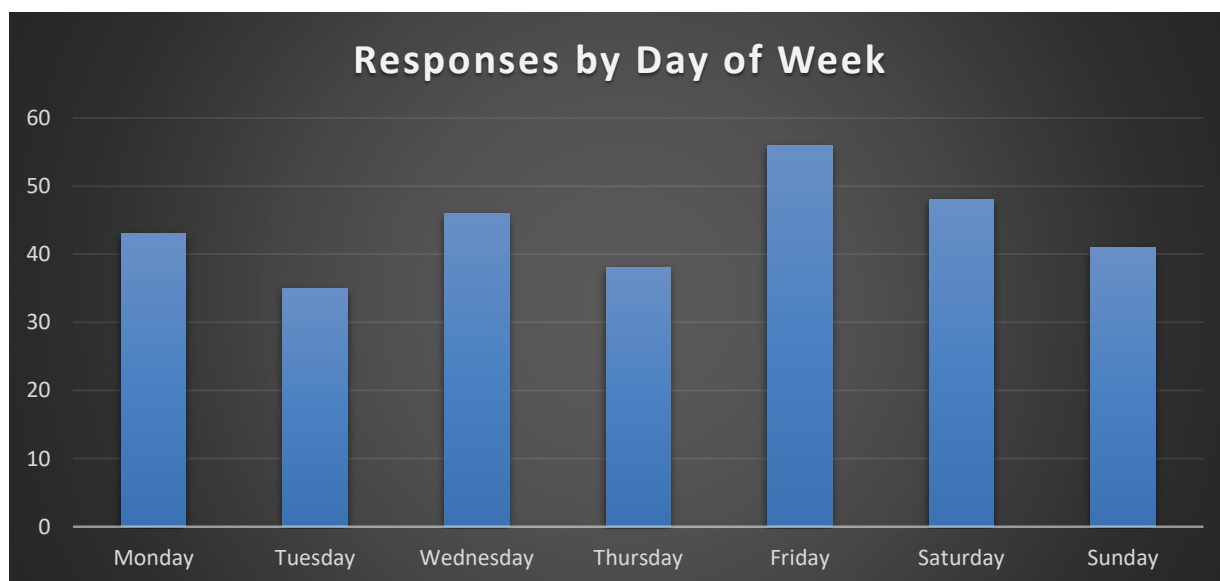
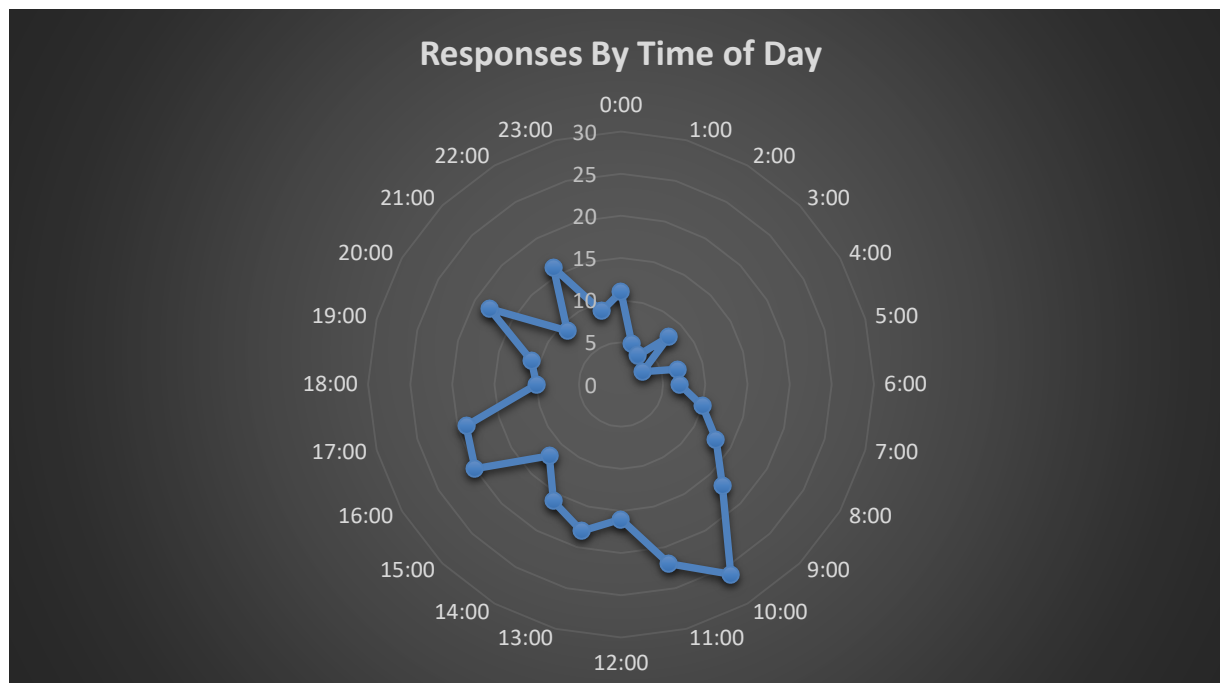


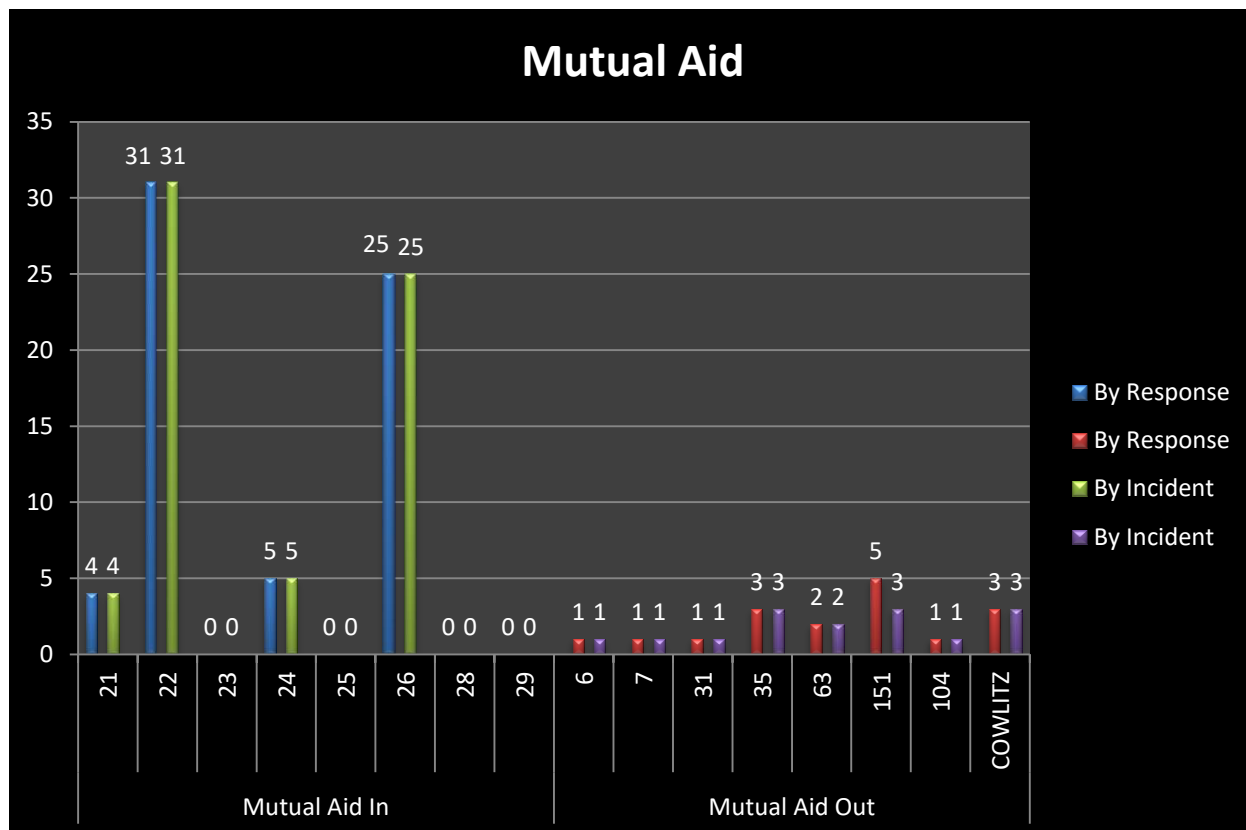












Staff Report



To: Chief Nohr

From: Division Chief Dawdy

Date: 04-01-17

Re: April Fire Protection Services

Smoke Alarms

- Tom cook attended Homeland security awareness training.
- Planned smoke alarm install program for Woodland Mobile home Park.
- Installed smoke alarms in La Center (Pollock Road area).
- Fire Blast Trailer to Topper for evaluation.

ilani Resort

Occupancy

- Signed off temporary occupancy for ilani resort, water reclamation plant, and tenant spaces.

Grand Opening

- Represented Fire District at ilani resort opening on April 24th.

Response

- Coordinated fire/ems response during the opening week of ilani resort operation.

Life Safety Issues

Inspected kitchen hoods, fire alarms, exiting and granted occupancy in the following spaces:

- Line & Lure Restaurant
- Michael Jordan's Restaurant
- Chief Jet Restaurant
- Smash Burgers Restaurant
- Long House Restaurant
- Rose & Thorn Restaurant



Inspected and granted occupancy to the following tenet/casino spaces:

- Employee Dinning Room
- Muse Lounge
- Starbucks Coffee
- Marshall Rousso
- Ruby Blue

- Cowlitz Trading Post

Ilani Resort Inspections

Fire Marshal inspections regularly made during opening weeks of operation. Dozens of corrections were made during this initial period. The violations were not because of malfeasance by the tenants. Most of the noted violations were due to the inexperience of the building staff. Here are some typical examples:

- Corrected locked fire exits in high stakes gambling area, Line & Lure
- Corrected exiting issue in high stakes lounge, food-court, Muse Lounge and west exit hallway.
- Corrected blocked fire extinguishers in Michael Jordan's, Chief Jet and west hallway.
 - Major Violation Correction: Blocked Won-Doors.
(large corridor two hour fire doors)
see video (<https://youtu.be/NGzs8Y9N0F0>).

Emergency Power Testing

- Participated in emergency back-up power testing for ilani resort systems.

Ridgefield

Pre-Application Reviews

Boos Products.

Ridgefield School District Modular Buildings.

Review 5-8 Fire Lanes.

Fire Marshal Activities

Knox Pacific Power Products.

Mediate fire-exiting issue at Ridgefield Community Center.

Investigate long standing burning issue in residential area.

Woodland

Pre-Application Reviews

Columbia Carbonates

Attended DRC Meetings

Public Information

Ridgefield home heavily damaged by fire



Firefighters quickly gained control of a house fire in Ridgefield Saturday morning but flames inflicted heavy damage. No one was home at the time of the fire. (Photo courtesy of Clark County Fire & Rescue)

By [John Hill](#), Columbian Metro Team Editor

Published: April 1, 2017, 8:50 AM

Flames shot from the roof of a one-story Ridgefield home Saturday morning, catching the eye of someone driving by who quickly called for help.

At about 7:50 a.m., Clark County Fire and Rescue received a call of flames coming from within the home at 21605 N.E. 10th Ave., division chief Tim Dawdy said.

Firefighters quickly arrived on the scene and found flames coming through the roof, Dawdy said. The flames were brought under control within about 20 minutes. Crews from Clark County Fire District 3 and 6 also responded to the call to provide mutual aid.

No one was home at the time and no one was reported injured in the fire, Dawdy said.

“And when we arrived, the smoke alarms were sounding, which we like to hear,” he said.

Though the fire was extinguished quickly, Dawdy said the fire did appear to have caused major damage but it did not spread. The home sits back far from the road but is near a business.

“Luckily, there was an alert citizen driving by,” Dawdy said.

The cause of the fire is unknown, Dawdy said. The Clark County Fire Marshal’s office will investigate.

Flames engulf barn northwest of Battle Ground

By [Andy Matarrese](#), Columbian Breaking News Reporter and [Emily Gillespie](#), Columbian Breaking News Reporter
Published: April 12, 2017, 2:38 PM



Fire crews saw flames that stretched more than 40 feet in the air and heard explosions while battling a shop fire Wednesday afternoon northwest of Battle Ground. Clark County Fire & Rescue crews were called to the barn, at the intersection of Northeast 82nd Avenue and Northeast 289th Street, about 1:20 p.m. Wednesday.



Firefighters arrived and saw fire coming through the roof of the roughly 80-by 60-foot barn and called for a second alarm, sending more resources to the blaze, Clark County Fire & Rescue spokesman Tim Dawdy said.

Crews attacked the fire from the outside, Dawdy said. As they fought the blaze, a dump truck

and propane and fuel tanks inside the barn caused explosions. Janette Chumley said her nephew was welding in the shop. "He was welding on one of our trucks and a spark went into some waste oil," she said.

The shop houses tools and equipment for her family's excavation business, she said.

Chumley said there's also a sawmill, so the pole barn building stored a load of hardwood slabs placed inside to dry.

Her nephew escaped unharmed, she said. "As soon as he saw the smoke he got out."

Crews brought the blaze under control in about 20 minutes and saved the surrounding buildings, Dawdy said. The barn, however, was a total loss.

"It's gone. The whole thing is gone," Chumley said later that afternoon. The family was still piecing together what their next steps would be, she added.

Crews from Clark County Fire District 10, Clark County Fire District 3 and Vancouver Fire Department assisted at the scene. The Clark County Fire Marshal's Office was investigating the fire.

Firefighters stayed on the scene for a few hours.

Construction worker injured at Ridgefield job site flown to hospital



A construction worker who reportedly fell at a job site in Ridgefield on Friday morning was flown via LifeFlight to the trauma center at PeaceHealth Southwest Medical Center. (Clark County Fire & Rescue)

By [Jessica Prokop](#), Columbian Courts Reporter

Published: April 28, 2017, 1:42 PM

A construction worker who suffered serious injuries Friday morning when he fell from the top of a two-story house in Ridgefield was flown via helicopter to a local hospital.

The man, identified by Ridgefield police as 55-year-old Rodrigo Baltazar-Martinez, was in critical condition late Friday afternoon, according to a hospital spokesman.

Police and first responders with Clark County Fire & Rescue were called at about 8:45 a.m. to the area of North 35th Avenue and Pioneer Canyon Drive for a man who fell off the roof of an under-construction, two-story house.

Division Chief Tim Dawdy said paramedics began treating the man at the scene but, due to the serious nature of his injuries, activated LifeFlight.

He was flown to the trauma center at PeaceHealth Southwest Medical Center in Vancouver, Dawdy said.



Monthly Report

To: Commissioners
From: Chief John Nohr
Date: May 10th, 2017
Re: April Report

CCF&R SUPPORTS ILANI RESORT OPENING

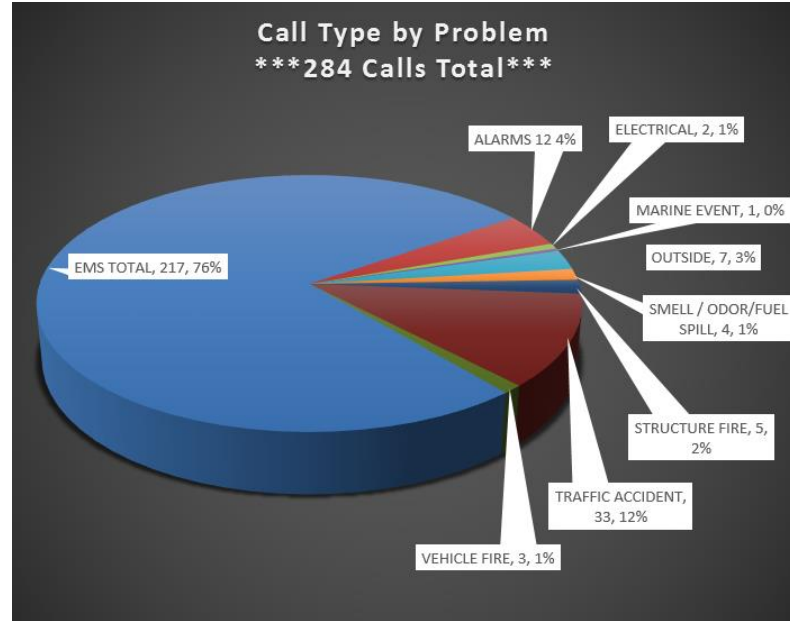
The ilani Resort opened for business on April 24th, and CCF&R was on hand to help support the grand event. The doors opened to the public at 10:00 AM, but traffic had already backed up on I-5 with thousands of people eager to see the newest destination resort in the region. CCF&R provided an extra crew on duty to help manage any emergencies that may have occurred. In addition, on duty crews rotated through the site to tour the completed building and get a better understanding of resort operations now that it is up and running. Division Chief Dawdy has been instrumental in working with the contractors and the Cowlitz Tribe to ensure the building and life safety systems were ready for the crowds. CCF&R looks forward to continuing our relationship with the Cowlitz Tribe to ensure the ilani Resort is safe for the four million visitors that are expected each year.

CCF&R BOARD PASSES LID LIFT RESOLUTION

On April 13th the CCF&R Board of Commissioners unanimously passed a resolution to refer a .09 cent/\$1000 levy lid lift to the voters of the Fire District. The lid lift will return the collection rate from \$1.41/\$1000 of assessed value to the previous amount of \$1.50/\$1000. The money raised by the lid lift will be used to initially to staff Fire Station 22 in Charter Oak and to purchase new fire apparatus. In the ensuing years, it will be used for staffing Fire Station 21 at Ridgefield Junction, repairing and replacing critical facilities, ensuring public education programs are provided to the public and schools, replacing worn and outdated emergency equipment, and providing equitable response to underserved areas of the District.

DIVISION CHIEF JACKSON ATTENDS FDIC

DVC Jackson attended the Fire Department Instructor Conference International training conference and expo in Indianapolis with no cost to the District, except for time. Chief Jackson donates his time to assist with the conference, which allows him to attend without the usual registration costs. He is then able to bring valuable information and training materials back to the district for use in training and educating our firefighters. The conference was attended by 33,979 people from 58 nations and over 800 exhibitors spread over 900,000+ square feet of exhibit space.



FIREFIGHTER CUSHWA COMPLETES THE FIRE ACADEMY

Firefighter Matthew Cushwa has completed the Washington Fire Service Training Academy. He and his classmates were honored at a graduation ceremony in Snoqualmie on April 21st. FF Cushwa was presented a Bull Dog Award and named to the 1st-Due Engine Company for his commitment, attitude, and demonstration of superb firefighting skills. Matthew has returned to shift duty and is currently assigned to Station 24 on B-shift.

In other personnel news, Captain Jesse Martin accepted a lateral hire opportunity with the Vancouver Fire Department and started the VFD Academy on April 24th. I want to thank Jesse for his service to CCF&R and for the work he has done to make CCF&R a better fire department. Captain Martin’s departure created an opportunity to invite an employee from the re-hire list back to CCF&R. With that in mind, Firefighter Ian Fagan has elected to return. Ian finished with TVF&R and started back with CCF&R on May 1st. He is currently assigned to Station 29 on B-shift.

SIGNIFICANT FIRE AND EMS EVENTS

CCF&R responded to 284 calls for service in April, including two significant structure fires and a serious traumatic injury requiring transport by Life Flight. On April 1st just before 8:00 AM, crews responded to a report of flames from the roof of a house at 21605 NE 10th Avenue. The house sits back from NE 10th and was difficult to see, possibly allowing the fire to grow large before being noticed. Crews brought the fire under control within 20 minutes, assisted by crews from Fire District 3 and Fire District 6. On April 12th CCF&R crews responded to a report of a barn fire at the intersection of NE 289th Street and NE 82nd Avenue. Engine 26 and Battalion 21 arrived shortly after dispatch because they were in the area heading to a drill site to cut up automobiles. They arrived to fine heavy fire and smoke coming from an 80’x60’ shop. The fire started when welding slag came in contact with waste oil. Work was being done on a dump truck in the shop. The structure and contents were a total loss, and the homeowner believes the building was not insured. CCF&R was assisted at this fire by crews from Fire District 3, Fire District 10, and the Vancouver Fire Department. On April 28th, Engine 24 and Battalion 21 responded to a report of a person who had fallen from the roof of a house under construction in Ridgefield. Witnesses on scene believed the man was deceased. CCF&R personnel arrived and began treatment. They found a pulse, opened the patient’s airway, and provided life-saving airway stabilization and treatment. Due to the severity of the victim’s injuries, it was decided to transport the patient by helicopter to the trauma center. Another CCF&R unit was called to the scene to set up a landing zone and assist with transfer of the patient to the Life Flight helicopter. CCF&R was assisted at this event by a crew from AMR Ambulance.

