

Fire Chief Report

August 18, 2023

Calls: Month of July had 211 requests for service: EMS: 89 Transfers: 101 SWAT: 1 Dive: 1 Fire: 19
Month of June had 220 requests for service: EMS: 105 Transfers: 93 SWAT: 3 Dive: 0 Fire: 19

District Update

Staffing

District Staffing Level: 95 members
Command Staff: 4 (1 Career Fire Chief & 3 POC Deputy Chief)
Career Captains: 3
Career EMS Members: 2 (1 opening)
Career Fire Inspector: 1
Administrative: 1
Chaplains: 2
Non-Station Assigned Members: 13 FF/EMT
St 1 members: 28 POC (27 fire/EMS & 1 Diver), 2 career, & 6 honorary
St 3 members: 26 POC (20 fire/EMS, 6 dive), 3 career, 1 honorary
St 6 members: 17 POC (15 fire/EMS & 2 EMS) 2 career
EMS Training: 45 members trained in the District as Medical Responders
Ambulance Staffing: 27-member training/approved to work on ambulance
Dive Team: 19 members (12 Divers & 7 support staff)

Members that have completed probation.

FF Jack Pake 8/1/2023

New Members to the Fire District

FF/EMT Max Brown effective 8/1/2023

FF/EMT Carter Vait effective 8/1/2023

ELFF/EMT Andrew Fliehr effective 8/1/2023

EMT Megan Ludy effective 8/1/2023

ELFF Beanca Richardson 8/8/2023

ELFF Tucker Stavy 8/8/2023

Members that are working to complete ambulance field training

FF/EMT Cael Drager

Members that have completed ambulance field training

ELFF/EMT Joe Pitts 8/1/2023

FF/EMT-B Zee Lanners 8/10/2023

Department career opening

FF/EMT-B Shinia Myren has accepted a conditional offer for employment

Reposted for internal and external applications and will remain open until filled

Open POC Positions for Stations and Non-Station

We currently have 10 application and interviews will be on 7/17 & 7/24/2023

Hiring list approved by FC

2 new members to start training in August for Station 3

4 new FF/EMT-B to start training in August for the ambulance (fire/EMS)

2 new members to training in October for the ambulance (fire/EMS)

Years of Service anniversaries for the month

FF/MPO Charles Smith – 34 years of service

FF/EMR Joshua Zeug – 7 years of service

FF/EMT-B Kevin Fischer – 2 years of service

Capt. Josh Rhin – 11 years of service

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Members that have submitted resignations.

Paid-on-call Photographer Ron Brigs effective 8/1/2023

Career FF/AEMT David Handrahan effective 8/2/2023

SOPs & MOGs of the Month

SOP 500 Response System

SOP 1004 Run Documentation

SOP 1004a Run Document Template

MOG 3005 Hydrant Tender Fill Operation

SOPs that have been updated

SOP 101 General Rules and Reg

SOP 111 Fire and EMS Paid on Call Comp

SOP 301 Orientation Program

SOP 1000 EMS Rules

New SOPs

SOP 101-1 Harassment

SOP 101-2 Alcohol and Substances

SOP 101-3 Conduct

SOP 1201 Dive Team Operations

SOP 2012 Dive Team Member SCUBA Support

SOP 2012-1 Dive Team Member SCUBA Diver

SOP 2012-2 Dive Team Coordinator

Vehicle/Equipment Updates

Engine 1 deck gun issues resolved on 7/19/2023

Annual SCBA Testing will be on 7/18 & 7/19/2023

Annual Ladder Testing will be on 7/18 & 7/19/2023

Tender 6 tank gauge not working 7/20/2023 - WIP

Truck 1 back in service on 7/21/2023

Medic 3 out of service for suspension control box issues on 7/24/2024 – WIP

Squad 3 back in service after radiator repair on 7/25/2023

Medic 3 radio was replaced on 7/26/2023

Medic 3 suspension control unit replace and back in service on 7/28/2023

Repairs made to several ladders completed on 8/2/2023

Engine 1 primer motor was replaced on 8/2/2023

Dive Boat Trailer light issue repaired on 8/3/2023

Truck 1 K12 saw repaired on 8/3/2023

Brush 1 turn/stop light repaired on 8/3/2023

Brush 1 chainsaw repaired on 8/3/2023

Truck 1 out of service on 8/6/2023

Medic 2 in for service on 8/11/2023

Squad 3 out of service for air brake issue on 8/12/2023

Squad 3 air brake issue repaired on 8/14/2023

Medic 3 in for service on 8/14/2023

Tender 6 tank gauge work on 8/15 & 8/16/2023

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District Meetings and Trainings

Station Meetings

Station 1 meeting was held on 8/2/2023 attended by Chief Bernette, DC Nowak, and Station 1 Members.

Station 6 meeting was held on 8/16/2023 attended by Chief Bernette and Station 6 Members.

Station 3 meeting held on 7/26/2023 attended by Chief Bernette, DC Jeffers, and Station 3 Members

Fire Board Meeting

Meeting Held on 7/18/2023 at Station 1 attended by Chief Bernette, DC Nowak, DC Scheidler, duty crew, career member, and member from Station 3

Next regular scheduled meeting will be on 8/22/2023 at 1730 hours

Fire Commission Meeting

In person meeting held on 7/25/2022 Station 3 attended by Chief Bernette, DC Nowak, DC Jeffers, DC Scheidler, Duty Crew, career members, and members from St 3.

Next regular scheduled meeting is scheduled for 10/24/2023 at 1830 hours

Officers Meeting

In Person and virtual meeting held at St 3 on 8/17/2022 attended by Chief Bernette, DC Nowak, DC Jeffers, DC Scheidler, and officers from Station 1, 3, & 6

Career Officer meeting on 7/10/2023 attended by Chief Bernette, Captain Wolf, Captain Arriola, and Captain Steindorf.

Annual Career Officer Reviews have been completed as of 6/13/2023

Next regular scheduled Career Officer Meeting - TBA

Next regular scheduled District Officers Meeting is scheduled for 8/17/2023

Career Employee Meeting

Meeting held on 4/26/2023 Attended by Chief Bernette, Capt. Arriola, Capt. Grotthus, Capt. Wolf, FI Shervey, FF/EMT Morris, FF/EMT Handrahan, FF/EMT Steindorf and Reita Erickson.

Next regular scheduled meeting - TBA

Fire Training

August will be Live Fire Training

August will be FIT Testing for Station 6

EMS Meeting & Training

EMS Employee Meeting and Training will be on 7/27/2023

July training was Stroke Assessments on was on 7/27/2023

August training will be held on 8/24/2023

TEMS & SWAT Training

Training on 7/19/2023 attended by Capt Arriola

Training on 8/18/2023 attended by Capt Arriola

Capt Steindorf, FF/EMT-P Frederickson, and FF/CC EMT-P Junk attended TEMS Schooling on 8/16 – 8/18/2024

Other Trainings, Meetings, or Events

UW Health Emergency Education Night Webinar on Mass Casualty Triage completed by Chief Bernette on 7/19/2023

North Central Fire Chief Association Meeting attend virtually by Chief Bernette on 7/20/2023

EAU Airport Annual Tabletop Exercise attended by Chief Bernette on 7/25/2023

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Wisconsin EMS Section Statewide Town Hall EMS Listening Session online attended by Chief Bernette on 7/25/2023

Chippewa County Fire Chief Association Meeting attended by Chief Bernette on 7/27/2023

National Night Out attended by Chief Bernette, DC Nowak, DC Sheidler, Duty Crew, and members from Station 1, 3, and 6 on 8/1/2023

Cadott Parade attend by members from Station 3 & 1

Bloomer Parade attend by members from Station 6 & 1 on 8/6/2023

Purewater Parade attend by members from Stations 1, 3, & 6 on 8/12/2023

UW Health Emergency Education Night Webinar on Emergency Care for Large Burns completed by Chief Bernette on 8/16/2023

North Central Fire Chief Association Meeting attend by Chief Bernette on 8/17/2023