

June 12, 2017



Fire Chief's Report

- 1) Response stats – Interesting month. High call volume, high percentage of overlapping calls but best response time for the last 2 ½ years, both in average and 90th percentile. Could be due to new staffing model we were trying on an interim basis.
- 2) Response procedure modification - We moved a person to St 4 to help with our response times. This was a plan proposed by my Captains. It was in effect on a trial basis for 90 days through the end of May. The feedback that we got from the FFs was that they didn't like it, nothing we didn't anticipate, but it was definitely worth a shot. I would have expected this staffing procedure to have a larger impact on our 90th percentile than on average response times which we did see. As I discussed the results from this trial with my officers I think we all agreed that the answer is spreading out our resources. I think that if we were to add one more person to our minimum staffing levels in the form of a part time position we could staff St 1-3 24 x 7 and occasionally St 1-5. This will require an acceptance by the Union of an LOU modifying the CBA and there will be a cost involved.
- 3) Community Events -
 - a. Beer, Biz, and Brats – Sat June 3rd 1000, trained 52 people in 10 minute CPR
 - b. Ken's retirement on Friday June 9th
 - c. Preparedness Safety Fair – Sat, June 10th 1000, turnout seemed low but steady
 - d. Camano Shores Water Association – Sun, June 11th 1400, about 50 people, good questions. We talked about funding of course, but also hydrants, natural disasters, and transport destinations. It seems that there are always a few new residents at each meeting. I talked to Jim about putting together a welcome packet explaining how emergency services work on Camano Island. We could also include something on how we are funded, map your neighborhood, know your neighbor, where the fire stations are, etc. I think the CPG would be a good group to work with us on this. We could make sure all of the local realtors have the kits, maybe throw in an EMI or tell them where to get one.
 - e. Park Lane Water Association – Sat, June 17th 1100
 - f. Amateur Radio Club – Sat, June 24, 2017
- 4) CRP grant – Five-county proposal to be funded as the North Puget Sound ACH. Initial request is for \$15 million.
- 5) Marine 1-4 is OOS. The damage is much more extensive than we initially thought. The hull is out of warranty but North River has made us an offer. If we get the boat to them in Oregon they will only charge us for materials and actual labor plus an additional 10%. Alternatively they will ship the materials to the facility of our choosing.

SOPs

645 – New SOP, Took out mandatory subjects, ready for approval 1082 – No changes, 1090 – No changes, 1092 – No changes

Budget Committee – We met and discussed the first quarter of 2017 as well as what to do with the carryover from 2016. Spending through the end of May is right on track. We have had some major repair bills, both for facilities and vehicles which is not unexpected. Many of our buildings and apparatus are getting older and we absolutely need to start anticipating more costs like these. As we transition into the adopted fleet replacement plan there should be fewer years like this one. The feeling from the committee was that only critical capital requests should be considered out of the carryover funds this year, at least until we see what happens in November. The bay doors at St 2 and St 5 are considered to be critical so we were going to move forward with those. The recommendation from the committee was that the rest of the carryover be placed into reserves. We will have to use some of those funds to meet the wage and benefit increases for the next two years and possibly for increased healthcare costs. I will also be talking about using some funds for a second part time position.

PT LOU – The union has not agreed to this yet although we talked about it at the last L/M meeting. They met this morning but unfortunately Mike Rooks didn't bring it up for a vote. One thing we have yet to agree on how to back fill an open PT position. They would like it to be offered up for OT. I can agree to this along as the PTs we have are given the first chance. It would cost \$50-60k to fund this position for the rest of the year. We have about 30 candidates on our list at National Testing plus we have several of our current volunteers who would be interested.

2017 Response Times

	2015 (Avg)	2016 (Avg)	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Avg	7:35	7:29	7:06	7:35	7:37	7:23	6:35							
90th Percentile	12:08	12:13	12:01	12:53	12:06	11:03	10:28							

Incidents

Total Calls	164	158	142	130	162	136	167							
Coinciding Calls at Time of Dispatch	25.9	23.7	10	14	18	17	30							
	16%	15%	7%	11%	11%	13%	18%							

Fire (100)	5.8	3.0	3	2	3	2	2							
Explosion (200)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0							
Rescue, EMS (300)	105	106	94	92	110	90	110							
Hazardous Condition (400)	4.3	2.5	3	1	2	3	3							
Service Call (500)	32	29	23	22	25	26	42							
Good Intent (600)	9.9	9.7	11	9	11	9	4							
False Alarm (700)	6.1	5.9	7	4	11	6	6							
Special (800)	0	0.3	0	0	0	0	0							
Weather (900)	0	0.8	0	0	0	0	0							

Stn 1-1	18.6	15.4	10	7	4	14	12							
Stn 1-2	45.3	53.8	38	49	66	42	61							
Stn 1-3	46.1	39.2	39	38	46	27	46							
Stn 1-4	26.7	23.7	24	17	26	32	28							
Stn 1-5	23.3	20.4	25	14	13	16	16							
Marine	2.5	4.4	1	2	3	1	2							
Mutual Aid	3.3	0.8	5	3	4	4	2							

Average Response Times

