

August 13, 2018



Fire Chief's Report

Response time analysis – As is typical for us July was very busy, it's usually one of the two busiest months every year. August is the other month that can be busy and it looks like this trend will continue. Response time averages are looking very good over all. Of note, we've seen a 64 second improvement in average response times this year as compared to last year at St 3, in large part due to the full time staffing. This is one of the things we had hoped would happen if the Fire Levy was approved and it will be nice to show our citizens that their vote in support of the fire department is actually having a positive effect. Marine rescue calls are way up as you would expect in the summer time. We used our drone on a marine call this past month which was very helpful. Mutual aid calls are also up which may reflect the closure of Marine Drive in Stanwood which means we are the closest backup for St 99.

FF Hiring process – With the promotion of Lt Guadamuz we now have to fill his firefighter position. We posted the job announcement and the application period is now closed, I heard we had around 20 applications come in. We are anticipating holding oral interviews on Aug 29th. The new Flames president, Betty Metz, has agreed to be on our interview panel this time. The candidates who fill all of the requirements will be ranked based on their scores on the written test and the oral interview. We follow the Rule of Three hiring process which means the top three will undergo a Chief's interview which will determine who gets a conditional job offer. We require that the candidate passes a medical exam and a background check before they start.

Mechanic hiring process – We will be posting Gabe's position in the Daily Dispatch and on State websites later this week. I don't know how long it will take to fill the position. Chief McFalls of Marysville FD has offered their shop if we need them.

Wildland Team update - We recently have deployed a tender and two firefighters to the Yakima area and we had a third firefighter join with a District 15 brush truck for deployment.

Stanwood Camano Fair Parade – We had three vehicles in the parade this year. Craig and I took our staff vehicles and Rudy Puente drove an engine for us. It was a lot of fun, up until I was passing the review booth and the announcer says "There goes the Camano Island Fire Chief, John Cermak".

National Night Out – We had two National Night Out events, the usual one in Stanwood which we typically have a large presence at and then this year the Utsalady Aid ladies decided they wanted to do one as well on the Island.

2018 Response Times

	2016 (Avg)	2017 (Avg)	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Avg	7:29	7:18	6:49	7:50	7:36	7:04	6:43	6:49	6:44						7:03
90th Percentile	12:13	11:49	11:17	13:16	12:10	12:07	10:35	11:08	10:51						11:48

Incidents

	2016 (Avg)	2017 (Avg)	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Total Calls	158	167	165	143	142	134	168	162	216						<u>Avg</u> 161
Coinciding Calls at Time of Dispatch	23.7	24	24	17	18	6	20	13	40						20
	15%	14%	15%	12%	13%	4%	12%	8%	19%						12%
Fire (100)	3.0	3.2	1	4	2	1	7	6	6						3.9
Explosion (200)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0
Rescue, EMS (300)	106	107.9	127	82	104	93	117	107	141						110
Hazardous Condition (400)	2.5	2.5	3	13	1	3	5	1	1						3.9
Service Call (500)	29	36	18	29	18	27	25	22	42						25.9
Good Intent (600)	9.7	9.3	6	9	11	5	10	16	14						10.1
False Alarm (700)	5.9	7.2	8	6	6	5	4	10	9						6.9
Weather (800)	0.3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3						
Special (900)	0.8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						
Stn 1-1	15.4	15.4	9	20	15	13	8	19	13						13.9
Stn 1-2	53.8	51.8	51	49	44	47	62	48	65						52.3
Stn 1-3	39.2	44.7	47	21	38	36	37	40	51						38.1
Stn 1-4	23.7	28	31	17	17	16	31	27	40						26.9
Stn 1-5	20.4	22.1	18	25	27	21	27	19	25						24.0
Marine	4.4	2.7	0	1	0	1	2	5	14						3.3
Mutual Aid - Given	0.8	2.7	4	1	3	0	1	4	8						3.1

YTD Response Times

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Stn 1-1	0:08:04	0:08:14	0:07:39	0:08:07
90th percentile	0:11:37	0:11:45	0:10:32	0:10:55
Stn 1-2	0:06:26	0:06:18	0:06:16	0:05:54
90th percentile	0:11:17	0:11:17	0:10:30	0:10:36
Stn 1-3	0:07:41	0:07:44	0:07:09	0:06:05
90th percentile	0:11:23	0:11:52	0:11:28	0:09:08
Stn 1-4	0:07:25	0:06:44	0:06:38	0:07:04
90th percentile	0:13:16	0:10:36	0:11:16	0:11:53
Stn 1-5	0:09:30	0:10:19	0:10:07	0:10:04
90th percentile	0:14:29	0:15:25	0:15:33	0:15:41

