



MONTHLY FIRE CHIEFS REPORT

Regular Meeting: January 16, 2024

Operations:

- We responded to 58 calls in December.
- We responded to 684 calls in 2023, 47 less than 2022.
- Historic annual call numbers are as follows: 2010-433, 2011-427, 2012-479, 2013-473, 2014-431, 2015-544, 2016-724, 2017-757, 2018-701, 2019-636, 2020-667, 2021-694, 2022-731.
- The annual average response time district-wide was 10min 25 seconds, compared to 10min 22 seconds in 2022.
- Wednesdays are our busiest day of the year, with 102 calls, and Thursday is the slowest, with 84.
- Tender 57 is completed, leaving Minnesota this week. It will be delivered to a shop in Commerce City for service and DOT inspection before returning to service.
- Captain Watson's maintenance truck is back in service; we are awaiting additional information and negotiating with insurance for the body repairs.
- We recently had three fires: a house fire on Robinson Hill, an unplanned machine pile fire on Gilpin Road, and a small garage fire in Golden Gate Park Estates.
- We have 2 Shift Firefighter position openings. These are created by the resignation of LT. Geyer and Firefighter Price who have both accepted positions down the hill. The application period closed Friday, we received 14 applications. Chief Schimanskey and Captain Lutz are coordinating interviews and will provide me with their recommendations.

Wildland/Mitigation:

- Pile burning with USFS is the priority at the moment.
- Gilpin CWPP kick-off meeting is in February.

Administration:

- 2023 grants are being finalized and we hope to receive all funds in January.
- Applying for the annual DFPC Firefighter Safety and Disease Grant for wildland gear/equipment.
- Applying for FEMA AFG Grant for a fire alarm system. Also working with grant writer regarding future grant for air packs.
- Training and Recruitment Coordinator position still open. Closing date for applications is February 2, 2024, with a March 1 expected hire date.
- Chief Hinderman is still working on lots of year-end close-out items.
- Software changeover from Emergency Reporting (ER)/Vector to ESO has been slow, but we have progressed. Report writing is currently up and running, the scheduling portion has had a few hiccups but is close.

Training:

- January scheduled training is Smells and Bells
- 10 TFPD members are attending the cadaver lab with UC Health and GAA on 1/24, a rare opportunity.
- EMT skills session scheduled for 1/25 w/ UC Health and GAA

- Partnering with GAA on CPR classes, both internal and public-facing, planning on monthly CPR refresher offerings for TFPD and regional response partners.
- Congrats to Halcy Webster on passing her Hazmat Awareness and Operations
- Two TFPD members testing for the FF2 written exam in Jan/early Feb; one has already passed (Geyer)
- Thanks to Dylan Fregosi for finding two steel beams to repair the forcible entry door prop, which saved us approximately \$350.

R&R:

- We have conducted four volunteer interviews over the past two weeks: one in-district and three shifters.
- We will host an onboarding class for new members once the new R&R Coordinator is hired.
- “Volunteers Wanted” Signs to be ordered and installed on prominent stations around the district using SAFER dollars.