



Monthly Report

June 2018 Calls by Type

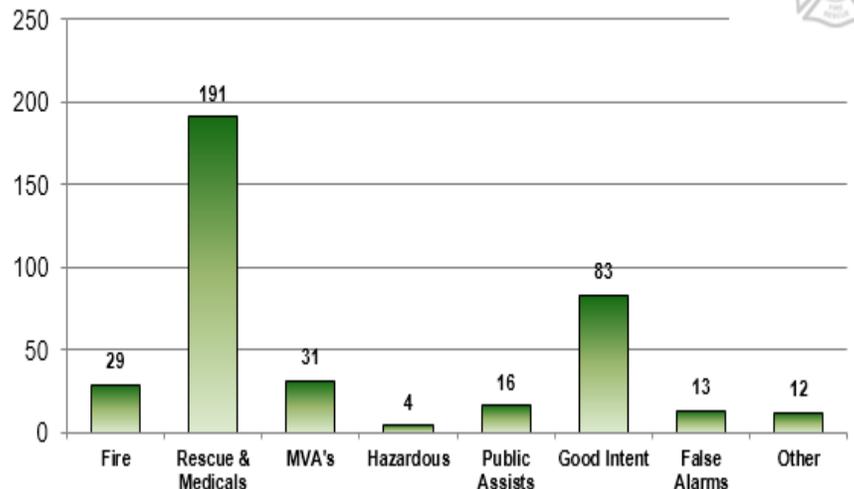


To: Commissioners
From: Chief John Nohr
Date: July 10th, 2018
Re: May Report

COWLITZ TRIBAL

CULTURE CLASS: On June 11, Chief Nohr, DVC Peeler, and Capt. Rommel joined law enforcement officers and public service officials from throughout the region at the ilani Resort for a class on Cowlitz Tribal history and

customs. Tribal elders were on hand to share stories about the history of the tribe, traditional forms of commerce and entertainment, and the struggle for recognition of the Cowlitz people by the United States government. Attendees also enjoyed some traditional foods while Sgt. Duane Garvais Lawrence performed songs of Cowlitz lore. CCFR will look for opportunities to integrate Cowlitz history into department training so our personnel are better able to understand one of the communities we serve.



EMS DISTRICT 2 VOTES TO EXTEND AMBULANCE CONTRACT: The board of EMS District 2 voted on June 12 to extend the current contract for ambulance service for an additional five years. American Medical Response (AMR) holds the contract for emergency and non-emergency transport in the EMS district. The EMS District 2 contract piggybacks onto the ambulance contract held by the City of Vancouver. Both AMR and Vancouver have committed to looking at call volume in the CCFR area to determine if response time goals should be revised. EMS District 2 is made up of the unincorporated areas of CCFR, Fire District 3, and Fire District 6, as well as the cities of La Center, Ridgefield, Woodland, and Battle Ground. The EMS 2 board is Clark County Council Chair Mark Boldt, Councilor Julie Olson, and Ridgefield City Councilor Ron Onslow.

CCFR PROVIDES COMMUNITY RISK REDUCTION SERVICES TO CITIES:

The cities of Woodland, Ridgefield, and La Center have chosen to have community risk reduction and fire prevention services provided by CCFR. Fire prevention and plans review services were previously provided by the Clark County Fire Marshal's office. DVC Mike Jackson developed the new program and made presentations to the city council of each jurisdiction. Each city council voted unanimously for the switch to CCFR for services. CCFR will now provide site access, water supply, plans review, and inspection services to the cities. This change will allow for greater involvement by CCFR from the beginning of the permitting process through the construction process. CCFR emergency response crews will

now be able to keep closer tabs on the construction process and maintain awareness of challenging or hazardous construction sites. In addition, customers will see quick turn-around times on the permitting process.

CCFR AND FIRE DISTRICT 6 HOLD JOINT BOARD MEETING:

The Board of Commissioners for CCFR and Fire District 6 held a joint meeting at Fire Station 21 on June 28 to discuss operations at Fire Station 151. The fire districts entered into a joint agreement to operate Fire Station 151 in 1999. The location of the station on NW 179th Avenue allows both districts to serve outlying areas of their response areas. Fire District 6 recently conducted an assessment, which included figuring out the best way to serve the northeastern edges of the district. One option was to continue with the joint operation of Station 151. The boards also discussed other ways in which the districts can work closely on challenges faced by both districts.

CCFR CONDUCTS TRAINING BURN:

New development in the 2700 Block of N. 3rd Way in Ridgefield has spurred the need to remove three existing houses. The developer of the new subdivision approached CCFR about the ability to use the structures for live fire training. The first of three planned training burns occurred on June 30, with A-shift personnel and volunteers participating in the training. Washington Administrative Code (WAC 296-305-05502) requires that firefighters participate in live fire training at least once every three years. The ability to use an acquired structure allows for firefighters to work on skills such as hose line deployment, fire suppression, ventilation and search & rescue. In addition, using the structure allows the developer to get rid of the structures that need to be removed. CCFR charges developers \$5000 for each structure burned to help offset costs of personnel that are called back and wear & tear on apparatus and equipment. The remaining two structures in this development will be used for live fire training after the county-wide burn ban is lifted in October.

