

HILDALE - COLORADO CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT TO THE BOARD

September 27, 2022

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS: The Chief attended a Utah CISM executive board meeting via Zoom on 9/9/22. The board is planning a new member training in October. Kevin participated in one CISM debriefing during the month.

He attended the SGRH Trauma Committee on 8/8/22 in St. George.

The second session of the Strategic Plan Internal Stakeholders Committee was held on 9/15/22. Progress was made on identifying issues and focus areas. Work was done on developing goals. The next session is scheduled for 9/29/22.

Kevin spent two days at the Utah Rural EMS Directors meeting in Heber City, Utah on 9/21-22/22. There were updates on new rules, possible funding sources and legislative processes.

TRAINING REPORT: The September ALS Inservice covered two case reviews. Other topics included an ECG review, medication review (nasal administration), a safety topic and a short team communications video. The training topic was pediatric emergencies presented by Lily.

Regular fire training throughout the month included live fire scenarios at the mobile training unit. On evening the crews trained on airport response and included a tour of the airport facilities. The special operations training was on confined space rescue command and entry permit process.

The Arizona State Fire School was a success with 14 firefighters attending during the first week of September. Classes included Fire Hydraulics, Basic Live Fire, Intermediate Live Fire, Rope Rescue, Tactical Hose Management, Fire Detection & Protection Systems, Leadership Lessons of Gettysburg, Incident Safety Officer, Leadership in Supervision, and Resource Management for Small Departments. We will receive a \$1,750 scholarship to help defray some expenses.

A group of EMS providers attended an advanced airway lab session sponsored by Air Methods (Mercy Air) in St. George on 8/31/22. Others attended the quarterly SGRH EMS continuing education training on the evening of 9/21/22.

Kevin attended a Utah Office of EMS Pediatric Emergency Care Coordinator conference in Provo on 9/16/22. The PECC is required to participate in some state funded programs.

A Pediatric Advanced Life Support refresher course was provided on 9/17/22 for 11 responders that needed to recertify. Another PALS course will be held on 10/1/22 to accommodate about that many more.

MAINTENANCE REPORT: Engine 1011 broke down while at a vehicle fire on the highway. A pump transfer case bearing failed. The mechanics had it back in service within a few days.

The new rescue truck is now back in service with a heat/AC unit having been installed into the back shell to help maintain a consistent temperature for medications and EMS supplies and equipment.

Several routine services have been completed on the fleet. Work continues on preparing the new Washington County ambulance for service.

L1011 is still out-of-service pending further diagnosis for water in the engine oil.

The Station 1 ice machine is out-of-service and parts are ordered.

FIRE PREVENTION: 16 students took CPR and/or First-Aid classes during August.

The Uzona Chamber of Commerce sponsored a Jobs Fair at the Mohave Community College on 9/16/22. We purchased a booth and several volunteers and staff set up apparatus and equipment displays outside with a focus on recruitment. It was expected that there would be far more high school students, but due to timing there were very few.

On 9/17/22 we participated in the Colorado City Airport Fly-In, providing community awareness, but at the same time being on standby in the event of a medical emergency or aircraft mishap. There were an estimated 2,000 spectators.

We have covered four high school football games during September.

OTHER: On 9/9/22 we had thirteen calls in a twenty-four hour period. All four ambulances were out at one time in the evening.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:



Kevin J. Barlow, Chief



9/16/22 – Uzona Chamber of Commerce Jobs Fair at MCC.