

# HILDALE - COLORADO CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT

## FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT TO THE BOARD

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**March 22, 2022**

**ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS:** Chief Barlow traveled to Fort Mohave Mesa for the Mohave County Fire Officers meeting. He also attended the Mohave County LEPC meeting via Zoom.

Kevin and Edwin continue to meet with the city departments (via Zoom) on the last Monday of each month to exchange notes and see how we can better coordinate with each other's efforts.

We are now on board with APS, several of the personnel have taken advantage of the CME options in the software. Lily will be doing training with them later this week to become a manager for the department, which will enable her to track the training that each person is doing.

Kevin attended the Utah CISM meeting via Zoom on 3/11/22.

A large effort was made by Mary and others to provide information to complete the FY2020-21 audit work.

**TRAINING REPORT:** The March ALS Inservice included a safety topic, communications topic, an ECG and Medication review. There were no case studies but the training was on the new computer-aided dispatch (CAD) program that will soon be rolled out. The new program, Spilman, will provide mobile data such as incident location and information updates, times and other response details for both police and fire. Dinner was provided.

The Recruit Fire Academy continues every Tuesday and Thursday evenings, as well as several Saturdays. The UFRA Forcible Entry prop was here for a day. Several of the volunteers were able to take advantage of that training well.

Tuesday night training for existing firefighters has been blended into the Recruit Fire Academy.

Captains D.R. Barlow, Kevin Barlow, Jr., and Porter Barlow attended a four-day advanced leadership program in Bullhead City on March 7-10. Speakers included fire chiefs from around the state.

An Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS), renewal class was held Saturday, 2/26/22 for several department members. A two-day initial Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS), class was held March 11 and 12 for several of the new Advanced EMT's. These are two of the classes that are required for AEMTS and Paramedics to maintain for their certifications.

**MAINTENANCE REPORT:** The new paramedic rescue vehicle was been put into service on March 4. There are still some details that need finished up, but it will be very useable vehicle. It is an upgrade from an F250 to an F350 and will be able to carry the equipment load much better. The older rescue forced the in-service date to be moved forward as its' roll-out tray needed major repairs and strengthening. The vehicle will be put into service as the Centennial Park rescue vehicle when repaired.

A construction company was hired to add and repair rain gutters on Station 2. During the winter, the north side of the roof was draining directly onto the heat exchanger unit causing it to freeze up.

The big bay heater at Station 1 was replaced as the old propane heater was no longer functioning or repairable.

We are waiting for the Utah Communications Network agency to program the 800 MHz side of both the mobile and handheld radios received through the AFG grant. We are also waiting for the chargers for the handhelds.

**FIRE PREVENTION:** Over 30 students took CPR and/or First-Aid classes during March in addition to the ACLS and PALS courses for 38 of our own providers.

Several station tours were conducted for private school groups.

**OTHER:** 12 new pagers and 4 new tablets have been ordered using the Utah BEMS per-capita grant funds. This is a no match grant through Hildale City.

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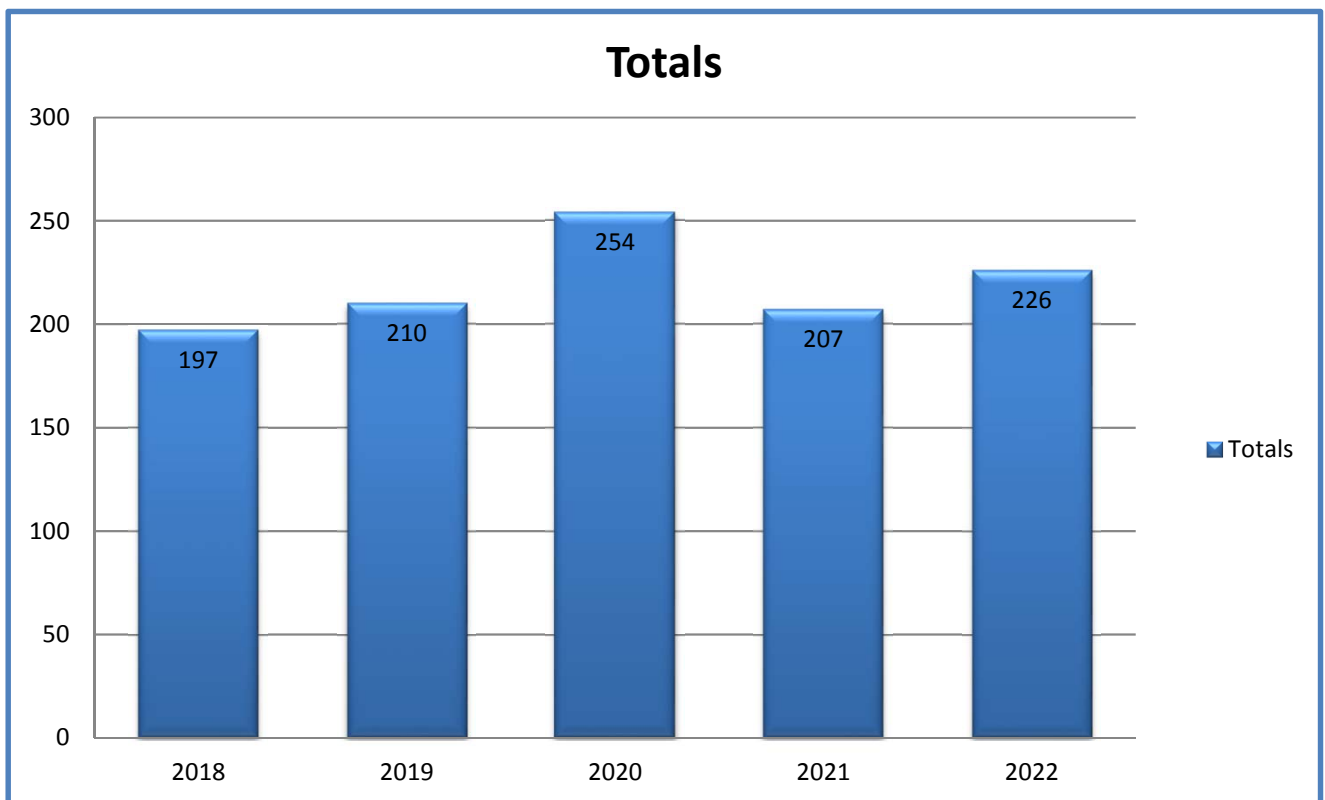
Kevin J. Barlow, Chief



**HILDALE - COLORADO CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT**  
**Statistical Run Review**  
**Five Year Comparison**

*AS OF MARCH 22 - INCIDENT #225*

Call Type	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Alarms	5	2	9	4	9
EMS	158	179	202	149	158
HazMat	5	1	2	4	2
Other	18	14	18	20	29
Public Service	1	7	13	11	22
Structure Fire	3	5	5	7	5
Wildland Fire	7	2	5	12	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>226</b>



**COMMENTARY:** We are averaging about 3 calls per day. There have only been 4 days with no calls so far in 2022. The Public Service calls are up due to almost daily weed clearing projects by crews.