



MONUMENT FIRE DISTRICT

Monthly Activity Report – June 2023

Submitted by Fire Chief Andy Kovacs

Serving with Character, Connection, and Commitment



Chief's Remarks

The district hosted its first youth camp on June 1, 2, and 3. Thirteen high school-aged students learned about the fire service in the three-day program. The program was a great success, and we anticipate this to become an annual event.

On June 7, I attended the IAFC Human Relations Committee meeting virtually.

On June 8, I attended the FFSHC (Firefighter Safety and Health Coalition) FACE (Firefighters Against the Cancer Epidemic) meeting virtually.

On June 12, Rhode and Associates and MFD hosted a stakeholder meeting at Fire Station 1 to develop the remaining wildfire pre-fire plans for the district. The contractors spent three days in the district.

On June 14, I met with Senator Lundeen to discuss recent legislation that may impact the fire district.

On June 14, I presented a wildfire preparedness presentation to the Timber 2 HOA.

On June 16, staff met with Representatives Wilson and Pugliese to discuss various issues that could impact the fire district. Staff shared many exciting initiatives the district has and will be accomplishing over the next several years.

On June 24, I attended the FF of the Year picnic hosted by the masonic lodge.

In June, I was selected as the 2nd Vice President for the IAFC MVD.

I continue to attend the following local, regional, and national-level meetings:

- North El Paso County Fire Chiefs
- Pikes Peak Region Wildfire Preparedness
- Pikes Peak Mutual Aid
- Pikes Peak Fire Chiefs Council
- MFD/Monument Police Department Command Staff
- Colorado State Fire Chief's Town Hall & Legislative
- Labor/Management Meeting with Local 4319
- International Association of Fire Chiefs Human Relations Committee
- Center for Public Safety Excellence (CPSE) – peer reviewer
- Rocky Mountain Accreditation Consortium – co-chair
- International Association of Fire Chiefs Missouri Valley Division – 2nd Vice-President



June Quick Facts

Number of Fire Incidents	Number of EMS Incidents	Training Hours Completed	Fire Inspections Completed
5	204	746	9
Major Incidents, Projects, and Events			
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• We continue to work with the property owners to secure land for Fire Station 3.• We continue to meet with the architect for the remodeling of Fire Stations 2, 4, and 5.• We continue to investigate options for a training tower.• We are continuing our efforts to complete our Community Risk Assessment and Standards of Cover for agency accreditation.• The 2024 Budget is underway.			

Administration – Jennifer Martin

Upcoming Events & Notable Items:

- The Arrowwood Improvement Association generously donated \$200 to the district.
- Sean Slaten will start as a firefighter on 07/31/2023 and attend the West Metro Fire Academy.
- The district received a letter from citizen thanking our firefighters for a “job well done.” The resident was transported with chest pain and stated, “I cannot praise the men and one woman enough who responded in a matter of minutes. All were very kind, reassuring, and efficient from the time of pick up until I was in the ER.”
- The district received another letter from a citizen regarding a faulty smoke alarm. The resident stated, “I am very grateful to Steve and his team for such a FAST response, for their professionalism, for their thorough inspection both inside and outside of our home, for their calmness(when we were not home), and especially to Steve for his patience in working with my husband to get inside our house.” The homeowner wants to convey to all that “they are outstanding representatives of the fire district.”

Promotions/Change of Assignments:

- Nothing to report.

Hiring/Resignations/Leave of Absence:

Local 4319:

- Local 4319 was honored to participate in both Battalion Chief Dooley and Keough’s retirement ceremonies.
- The Meet and Confer Plus extension agreement was also signed, and we will begin yearly Meet and Confer negotiations in August.



Operations – Division Chief Jonathan Bradley

Summary of Significant Events:

- Attended the Pikes Peak Fire Chief's Council Meeting.
- Attended a Traffic Incident Management workshop hosted by Colorado State Patrol.
- Continue to work toward a proposal for a multi-agency training consortium with CSFD, Black Forest, Fort Carson, and Pikes Peak State College.
- Met with representatives of CDFPC and CMCB to plan resource sharing between the two fire certifying bodies.
- Received participant feedback and edited the draft wildland fire strike team roster and rotation calendar to replace the current MA-1 system. Agencies participating include Monument, Colorado Springs, Black Forest, Falcon, Fountain, Air Force Academy, Security, Colorado Springs Utilities, and Southern Colorado Wildland Team.
- Facilitated the retirement ceremony for Battalion Chief Mike Dooley.
- Participated in the 2023 July 4th parade planning process.
- Attended graduation ceremony for the fire recruits in the Unified Fire Academy 23-01.

Operations:

A Shift – Battalion Chief Coyle

- On 6/1, MFD responded to a vehicle fire at the intersection of Highway 83/Hodgen Rd. On arrival, crews found a passenger vehicle with a working fire in the engine compartment. Crews quickly extinguished the fire and moved the vehicle out of the intersection.
- On 6/19, MFD and EPSO honored Sawyer R., an 11-year-old, with the 911 Hero Award. Ryan's mom experienced a medical event. Sawyer called 911 and provided dispatch with the appropriate information so fire crews could respond and provide medical care.
- On 6/24, Engine 512 attended the annual picnic at the Centurion Lodge, where Lt. Keough was recognized for Firefighter of the Year. Each year, the Centurion Lodge recognizes an employee from MPD and MFD for contributing to the organization and the community.
- On 6/24, Engine 531 provided joint training focused on truck operations with Palmer Lake Fire for their recruit academy.
- On 6/30, MFD responded to a vehicle fire on I-25. On arrival, crews found a passenger vehicle with a working fire in the engine compartment. Crews quickly extinguished the fire and moved the vehicle to the shoulder to reopen lanes of traffic.

B Shift – Battalion Chief Branden

- On 6/5, Station 4 hosted approximately 30 kids (ages 1-5), and their parents visited with firefighters and checked out the new squad and new Engine 514.
- On 6/11, the shift completed driver training at Palmer Ridge HS for the battalion to recertify state certifications.
- On 6/22, crews attended live burn training at BFFD.
- On 6/16, crews participated in the MCI training at LPHS.
- On 6/29, crews attended the Larkspur BNSF hazmat training.
- On 06/29, MFD responded to a patient with a hand entangled in the RV brake linkage at the Pilot on Terrazzo Dr. The patient was transported with extremity trauma with a good outcome.



C Shift – Battalion Chief Dooley

- On 6/1, crews assisted with the Youth Fire Camp.
- On 6/21, MFD responded to a reported brake fire on a semi-truck on I-25. A fire was confirmed, and crews extinguished the fire with no extension to the vehicle.



Battalion Chief Mike Dooley's Retirement Ceremony.



Training – Battalion Chief Mola

Summary of Significant Events:

- Larkspur FD live fire training. With CDFPC MLFTC.
- MCI: El Paso County drill in Monument.
- Live fire behavior with MFD 23-01 at BFFD.

Summary of Training Events:

- BNSF hazmat training in Larkspur with LFD.
- SME search conex training prop work completed.

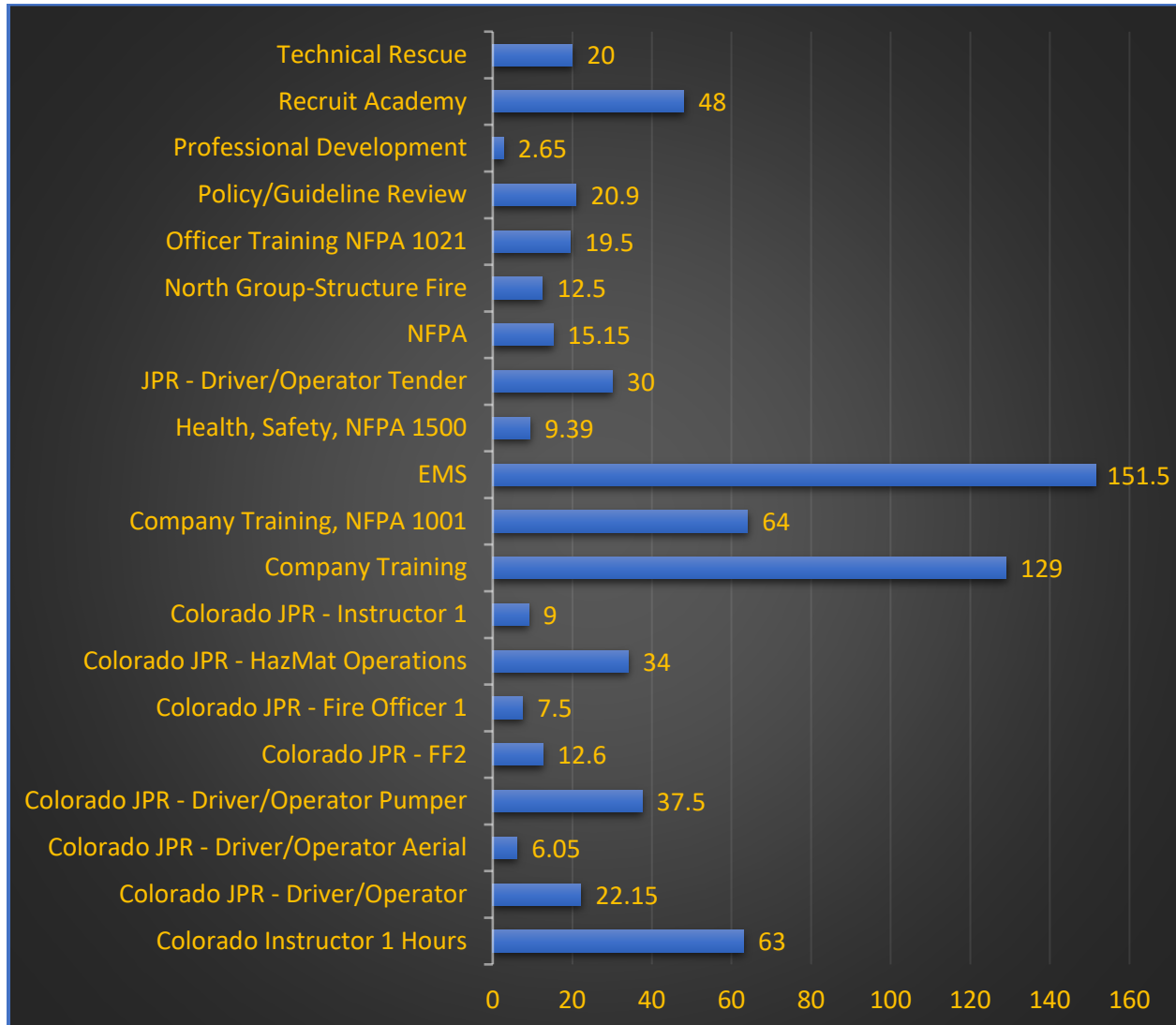
Training Plan for the Month:

- MFD company drills - “NFPA 1410 Drills.”
- EMS toxicology training.
- MCI AAR.

Training hours for the month of June –746 Training Hours.



Monument Fire District is participating in the Active Shooter Drill.



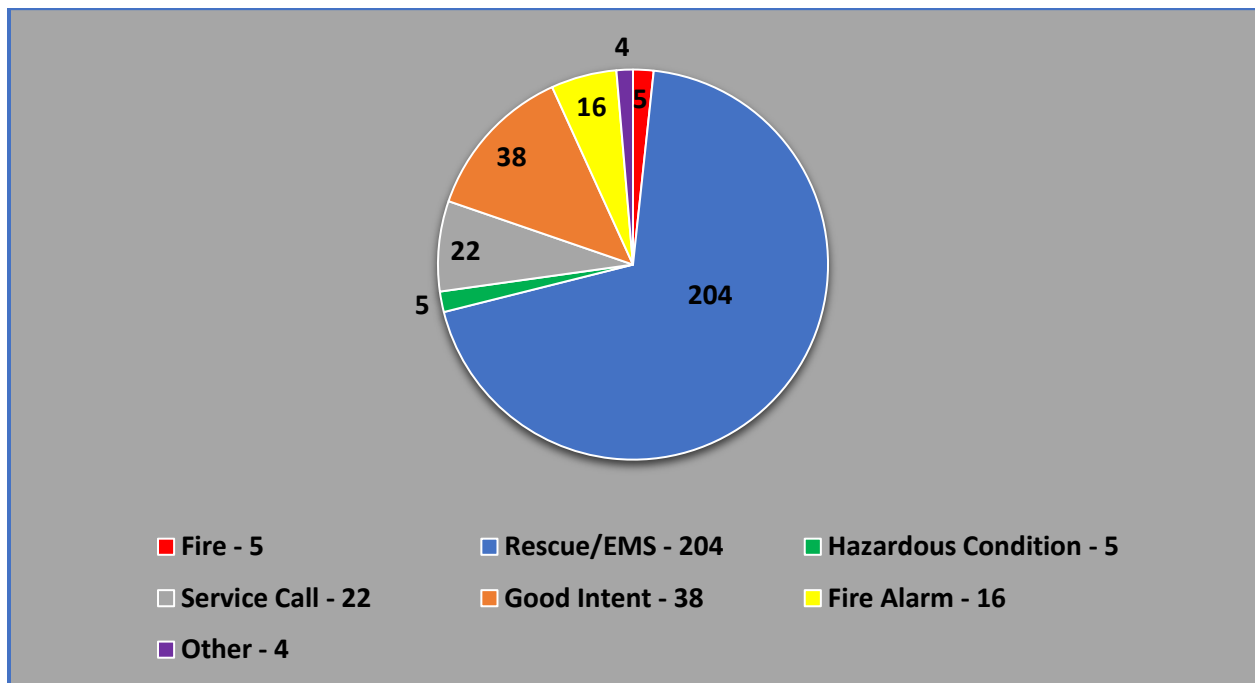


Emergency Medical Services – Battalion Chief Pearson/EMS Coordinator Soll

Summary of Significant Events:

- The MCI drill was conducted over three days - June 12, 14, and 16.

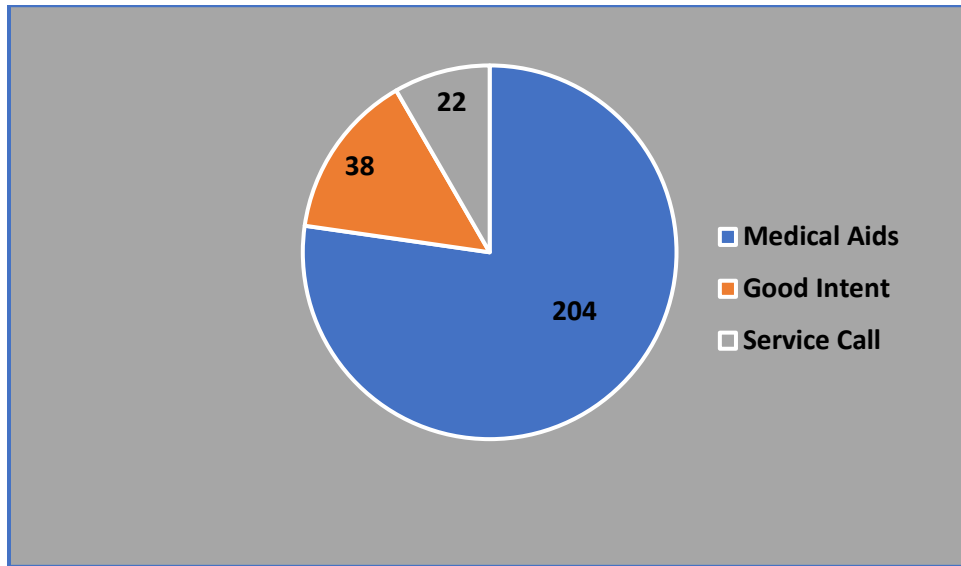
Incidents by Call Type



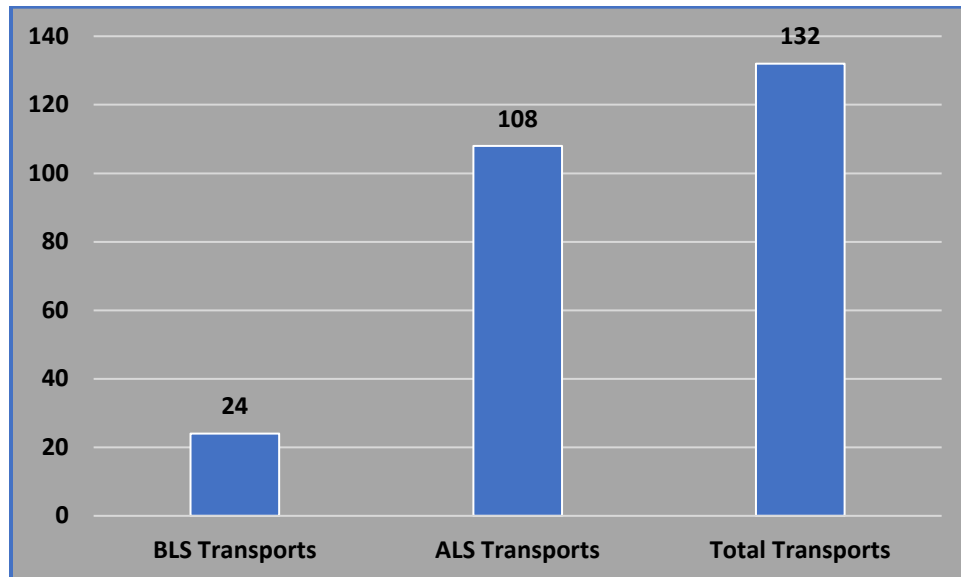
- Fire calls include structure fires, outside fires, and others.
- Hazardous conditions include spills/leaks, chemical release, electric wiring/equipment problems.
- Public assistance includes a person in distress or assistance required (e.g., lift assist).
- Good intent includes canceled enroute, no emergency fund, and controlled burn.
- Fire alarms include false alarms, system malfunctions, and unintentional system activation.



Incidents – Top 3 Response Categories

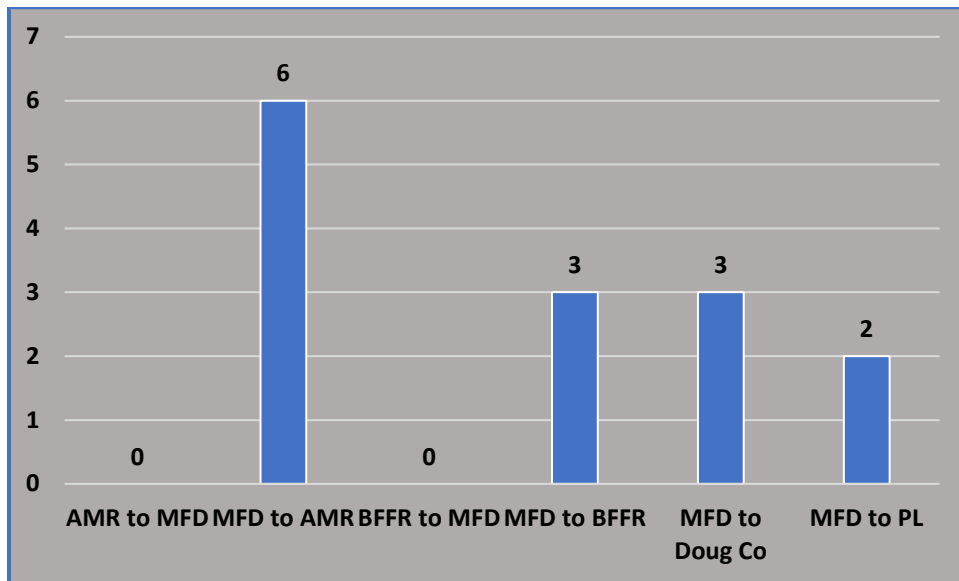


Ambulance Transports



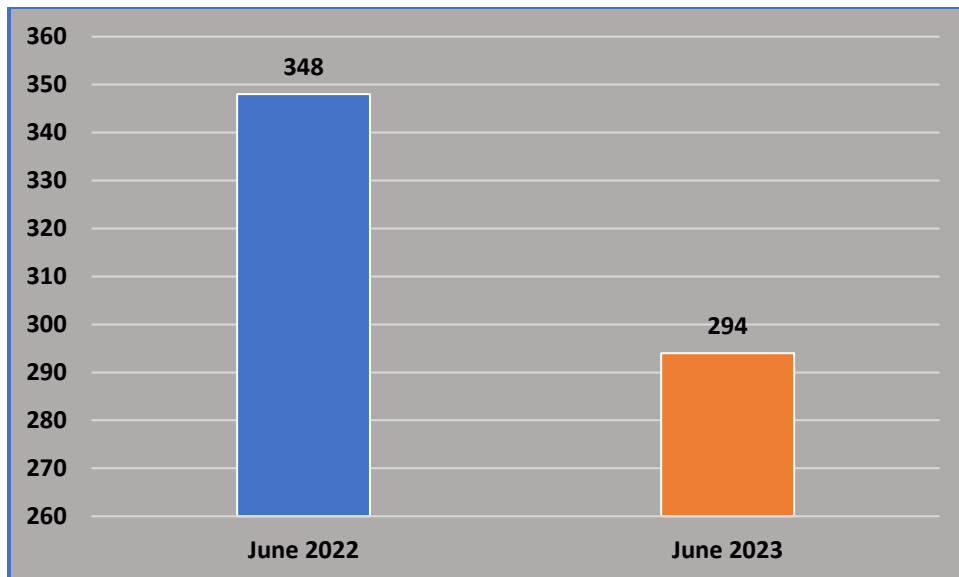


Ambulance Automatic/Mutual Aid



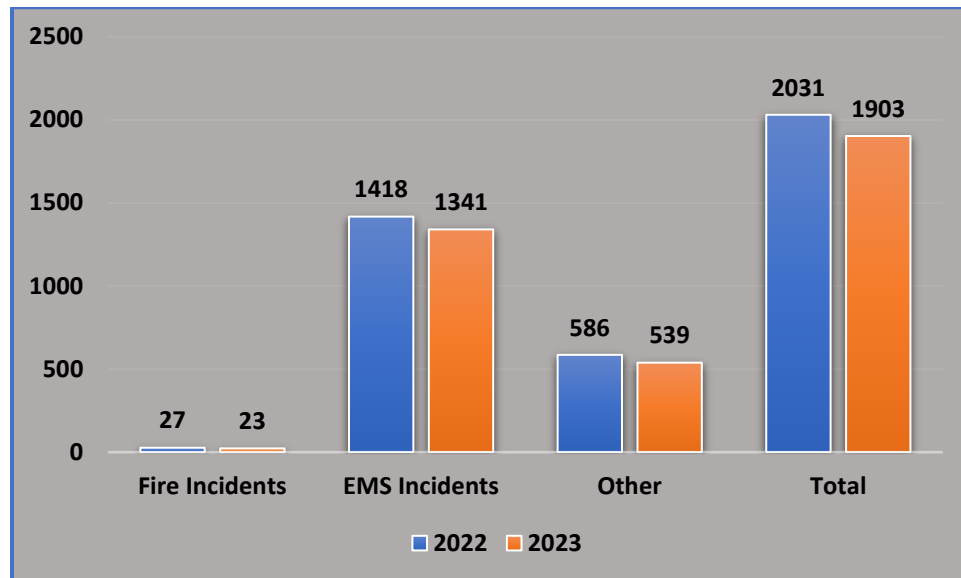
Calls are dispatched and enroute, and do not consider cancellations.
TLM to AMR – 4 calls accepted.

Month-to-Month Comparison – Total Incidents





Year-To-Date Comparison – 2022/2023



Administration – Division Chief Jamey Bumgarner

Summary of Significant Events:

- Attended the CSFD 23-01 Academy Family Night for the recruits.
- Hosted the quarterly budget coordinators’ planning meeting.
- Completed infrastructure upgrades to IT equipment at Fire Station 1.
- Supported the Town of Monument with the fishing pier Installation.

Public Education / Community Outreach:

- Completed five chipping events.

Fire Inspections / Plan Review Services:

- Continue to work with the Town of Monument Development Review Team over commercial developments.
- Completed five planning reviews for the Town of Monument and two for El Paso County.
- Inspected two facilities for daycare renewals.

Fire Investigations:

- Continue to meet monthly with the Pikes Peak Fire Investigation Task Force.

Accreditation – Accreditation Manager Scott Ridings

- The Community Risk Assessment (CRA) and Standards of Cover (SOC) are currently being reviewed internally by staff and are anticipated to be shared with the board in the next few months.



Logistics – Lieutenant Chris Keough

Fleet:

- Finalized the Type 3 engine construction documents unit to be delivered in December 2023.
- Ladder 535 is receiving a new transmission.
- The district is awaiting the snowplow for installation.

Facilities:

- Fire Station 1
 - Working with the civil engineer for the water line connection.
- Fire Station 2
 - Identifying a vendor to install “curb stops” and stripe the parking lot.
- Fire Station 3
 - No current projects.
- Fire Station 4
 - Finalizing the bid package for the remodel.
- Fire Station 5
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- Fire Station 6
 - No current projects.

Information Technology:

- Began performing maintenance, testing, and reprogramming for all district 800 MHz radios.