

**Western Hills Fire Protection District**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Monday, September 13, 2021**

1. **Call to Order:** 5:30 p.m.

2. **Attendance:**

Board Members: Bill McDonnell, Greg Johnson, Kris Knez, Jeanette Snow  
Absent: Randy Robb

Also present: Chief Brian Kuznik  
Janice Perekrestenko

3. **Changes in Agenda:**

4. **Fire Department Report:**

Chief Kuznik's Report -

Calls have increased compared to 2020.

COVID related calls had decreased to 1 or 2 a day. Those calls are increasing. Firefighter personnel are wearing N95 masks to medical calls.

Large-scale incidents in August – mutual aid call in Evans and then responded to a structure fire in Greeley the same day.

2022 Budget presentations –

Projected budget is flat

Requested addition of a Chief Officer position in the second half of 2022

Requested assessment of Office of Emergency Management staffing

EMS Transport Services –

Working on contract agreement / completion

They have acquired multiple ambulances and hired approximately 100 personnel to bolster their service response in northern Colorado

Status of Banner lawsuit?

They have not yet served the City official notice of the suit.

UC Health is holding joint training with Greeley Fire Staff.

UC Health has requested usage of Western Hills' station for temporary storage of ambulances. During less busy times, they will have three ambulances staffed and during peak times up to seven ambulances in the system for Greeley.

This staffing should benefit the Squad staffing and allow for potentially hiring another person or staff 7 days a week. Operational shifts overlap by one hour. Their call analysis software can predict next call with 70% accuracy based on three-year history of calls and day/time of the week.

Regional response is being reviewed by Weld County Chief group.

Division Chief of Operations –

Working with a recruiting firm to hire an individual.

Operational Items

USAR Deployment – Hurricane / Cyclone Ida

Wildland – Minnesota

Regional Dive team training with Windsor

ISO – contacted by agency to conduct review.

Current rating is class 2. May be able to improve rating.

Components graded are

General fire response/operations

Water supply

Communications Dispatch center

Homelessness response

City is working on program to address the situation.

Incident summary

| Calls                         | 2021 WH    | 2021 City    | 2020 WH    | 2020 City     |
|-------------------------------|------------|--------------|------------|---------------|
| January                       | 32         | 1,164        | 36         | 1,125         |
| February                      | 24         | 974          | 32         | 1,136         |
| March                         | 37         | 1,197        | 28         | 1,226         |
| <b>1<sup>st</sup> Quarter</b> | <b>93</b>  | <b>3,335</b> | <b>96</b>  | <b>3,487</b>  |
| April                         | 35         | 1,176        | 26         | 1,083         |
| May                           | 31         | 1,042        | 31         | 978           |
| June                          | 36         | 1,279        | 31         | 1,042         |
| <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter</b> | <b>102</b> | <b>3,497</b> | <b>88</b>  | <b>3,103</b>  |
| July                          | 48         | 1,381        | 39         | 1,119         |
| August                        | 42         | 1,408        | 36         | 1,139         |
| September                     |            |              | 37         | 1,058         |
| <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter</b> |            |              | <b>112</b> | <b>3,316</b>  |
| October                       |            |              | 29         | 1,188         |
| November                      |            |              | 22         | 1,035         |
| December                      |            |              | 41         | 1,142         |
| <b>4<sup>th</sup> Quarter</b> |            |              | <b>92</b>  | <b>3,365</b>  |
| <b>Year to Date</b>           | <b>283</b> | <b>9,834</b> | <b>388</b> | <b>13,271</b> |

5. **Minutes:** August 2021 Regular Meeting  
Motion to accept August 2021 Minutes as presented.  
(Knez/Johnson) 4-0 Approved
6. **Financials:**
  - A. Bills August 2021  
Motion to accept Bills Paid in August 2021 as presented.  
(Knez/Snow) 4-0 Approved
  - B. Statement of Changes as of August 2021  
Motion to accept Statement of Changes August as presented.  
(Snow/Johnson) 4-0 Approved
  - C. Journal Entries for August 2021  
Motion to accept Journal Entries for August 2021  
(Johnson /Knez) 4-0 Approved
  - D. Weld County Treasurer Report – no formal action
  - E. Closing Checklist August 2021  
Motion to accept Closing Checklist as presented  
(Knez/Johnson) 4-0 Approved
7. **Old Business:**
  - A. Fencing – tabled indefinitely
  - B. Sprinkler repair by Streets division
  - C. Bank signatures
8. **New Business:**
  - A. UC Health usage of building
  - B. 2022 Proposed Budget
9. **Oral or Written Suggestions from the Board or Taxpayers:** None
10. **Adjourn:**  
Vice President McDonnell declared the meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

**Regular Meeting(s) and proposed Agenda Items**

| Date       | Time      | Agenda Items                     |
|------------|-----------|----------------------------------|
| 10/11/2021 | 5:30 p.m. | Audit 2020 acceptance            |
| 11/08/2021 | 5:30 p.m. |                                  |
| 12/13/2021 | 5:30 p.m. | 2022 Budget hearing and adoption |

Respectfully Submitted,

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Janice Perekrestenko, Recording Secretary

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Randall Robb, Board President