

HOT SPRINGS FIRE DEPARTMENT

AUGUST 2021



FROM FIRE CHIEF DAVIS

During the month of August, the Fire Department furthered its efforts to promote firefighter safety during the extreme summer heat. We purchased cooling vests that are designed to safely and expediently lower the core body temperature of firefighters who are in rehabilitation after conducting firefighting operations.

We continue to strengthen our water rescue capabilities and have been working on increasing the functionality of our Swift Water Boat. We also composed specifications for a boat to support the operations of our Dive Rescue Team.

Furthermore, we experimented with various types of battery-operated tools and devices as well as conducted various training drills associated with pumping and relay operations.

Lastly, we finalized the 2022 budget that the department will submit to the City Manager for his consideration.

Pictured above: Firefighters from B shift testing hose.

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Fire Prevention Bureau

Training Division

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Years in Service

Photos



Above: Driver Jeff Mitchell (left) and Lieutenant Alan Wilson (right) try out the new cooling vest system.

Below: Firefighter Recruit Christian Silvar practices a self rescue method of breaching a wall and maneuvering through a stud wall.



FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU

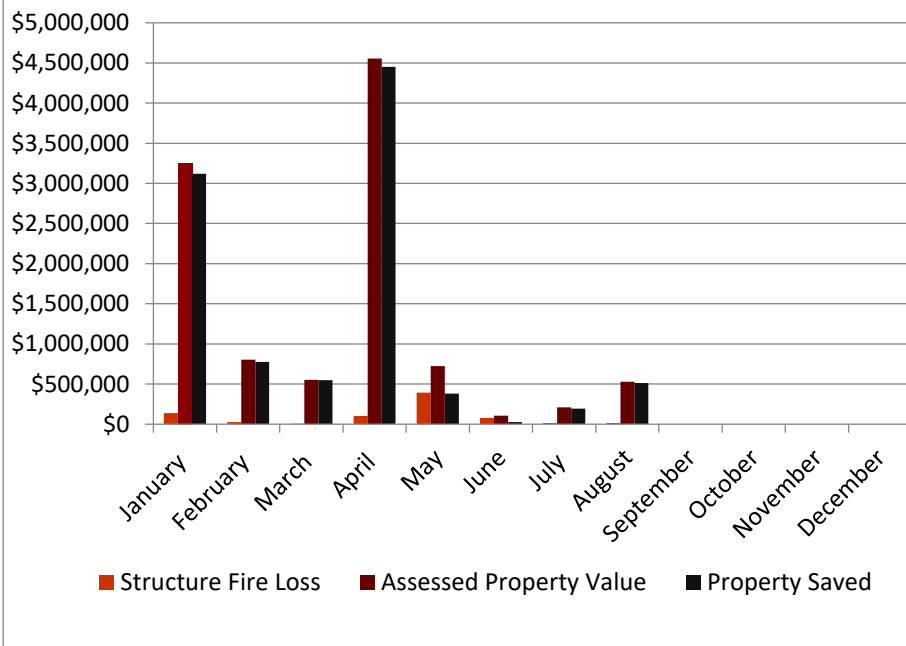
FIRE MARSHAL, TOM BRAUGHON

The Fire Prevention Bureau conducted 391 inspections for August including 19 Certificate of Occupancies: Walmart Neighborhood Market, Lakeside Performing Arts, Essential Pathways, Lakeside Jr. High, Lakeside Primary cafeteria, Lakeside Intermediate cafeteria, Arkansas Professional Hearing Care, Sweet and Sassy Vinyl Sublimation, 10 Federal Storage, Shannon's Jewelers, Tribe Coffee, Bath House Row Antiques, Ohio club, Simply Travel, All Services Consulting, Cadena Fitcher, Inc., Passport Center, Patterson's Pawn Shop, A&W Root Beer. Suppression companies completed 372 pre-fire plans of local businesses.

TRAINING DIVISION

TRAINING OFFICER, TY FARRIS

- EMT class continued through August with classes being held on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Students also began doing internship clinicals with Lifenet as they observed patient care as an EMT student on the ambulance. These clinical hours are part of the state and national requirements for EMT licensure.
- HSFD hired another Firefighter Recruit in August and completed their orientation before attending the Arkansas Fire Academy with our other four Recruits hired in June. The Fire Academy classes started August 15 in Camden with the first week certifying the FFs in Emergency Medical Responder and the last 7 weeks will prepare them for their Firefighter I/II certifications.
- Relay pumping operations were reviewed and practiced by all shifts as part of our annual training. These relay operations are for areas where structures may be farther than 1000 feet from a fire hydrant. In these instances, several fire engines are used as a relay system in order to provide adequate water to the pumper at the structure.
- Our annual hose testing began with training on a new hose pump testing system purchased this year. This new pump allows for hose testing to be conducted without putting Engine Companies out of service during the testing process.
- HSFD personnel began preparing for the upcoming promotion exams in October by studying the required literature for their respective promotion ranks.
- A battery-operated chainsaw was purchased to test if it would be efficient for firefighting operations. Companies worked with chainsaws and cut several different objects and found the saw very efficient and easy to work with. HSFD purchased chainsaws for each Engine Company and Rescue Truck.



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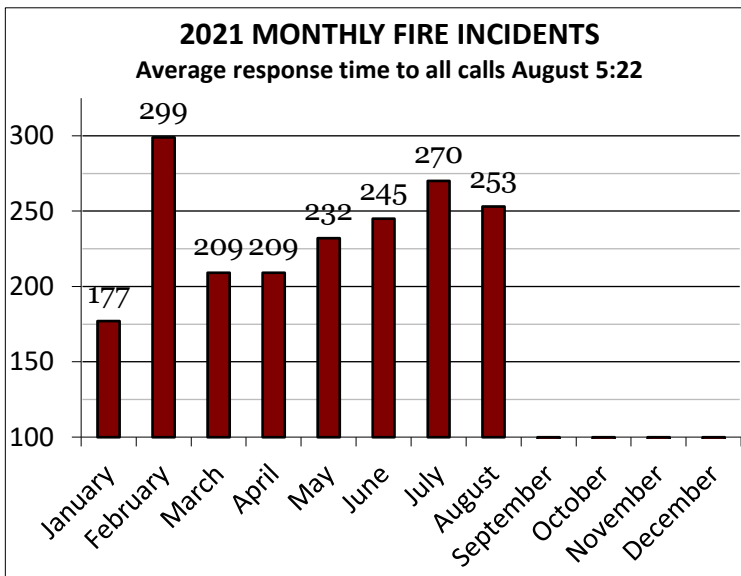
STRUCTURE FIRES

Structure fire loss through August 2021: \$ 777,620

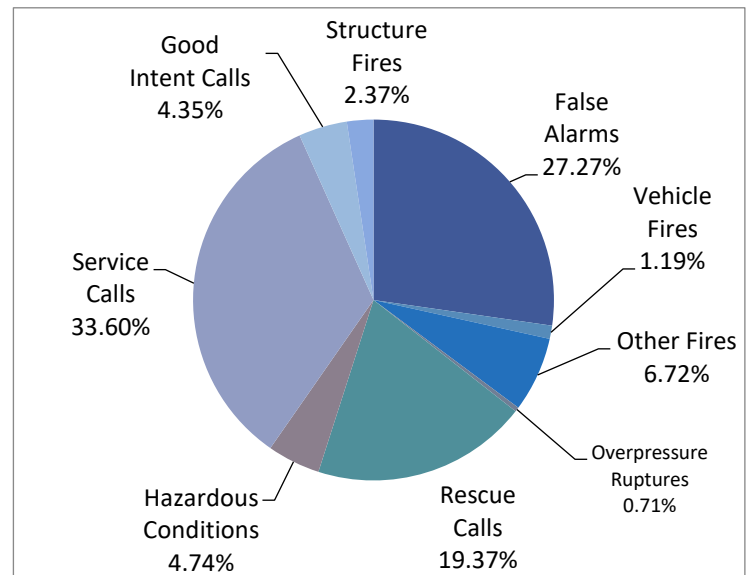
Total Property Saved through August 2021: \$10,006,090

Average response time to structure fires for August 2021: 3:30

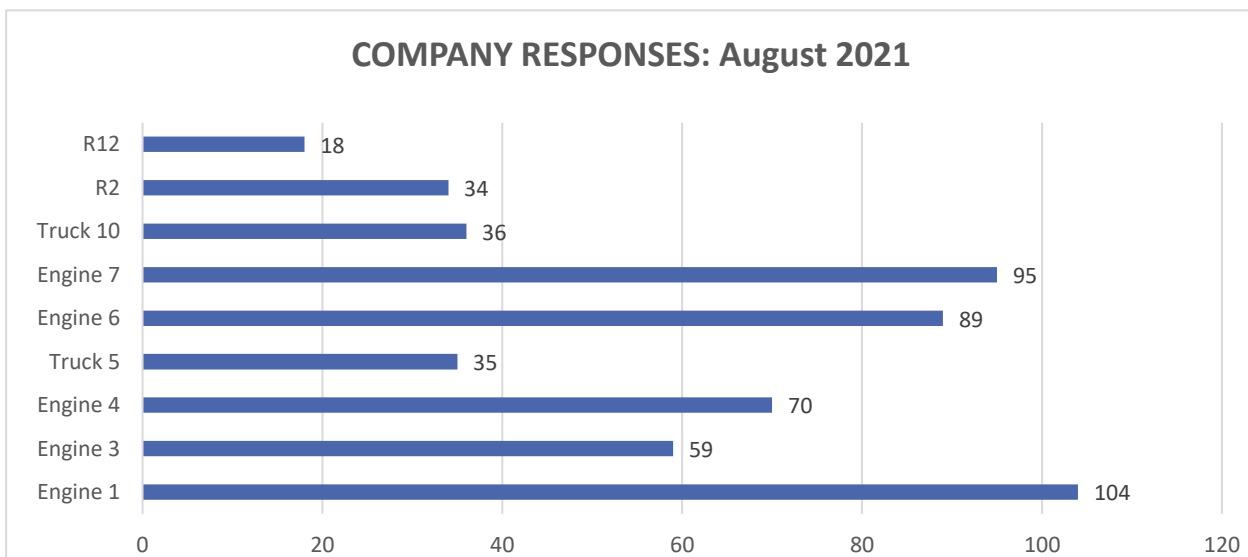
MONTHLY INCIDENT COUNTS



AUGUST SITUATION FOUND



COMPANY RESPONSES: August 2021



AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES



Carlton Scott- Asst. Fire Marshal- 28 years



Bobby Green- Lieutenant- 22 years



Kirk Schildgen- Lieutenant- 22 years



Alan Wilson- Lieutenant- 13 years



Wade Edie- Driver- 13 years



Casey Burch- Lieutenant- 7 years



Ty Dupre- Firefighter- 7 years



Allan Gross- Firefighter- 2 year