



SNOHOMISH REGIONAL FIRE & RESCUE

Chief's Report

January 12, 2023

Mission

Save lives, protect property, safeguard the environment, take care of people.

OPERATIONS

Significant Alarms

Residential Fire

On January 1, 2023, SRFR units responded to a two-story house with a working fire in the West Battalion. The first arriving unit, E72, reported that they had a victim in the driveway and were performing CPR. B71 established command and assigned units to both fire control and to assist with CPR. The homeowner was resuscitated and transported to Evergreen Hospital in Kirkland. The crews performed an offensive fire attack and completed a primary search. Unfortunately, the crews found two dogs that were deceased due to the fire and smoke. The fire is under investigation by the Snohomish County Fire Marshal's Office.

Childbirth

M81 and M82 responded with Marysville Fire units to a possible childbirth in the North Battalion. E66 began providing care to a child that had just been delivered at home. M81 arrived shortly after E66 and assisted with patient care until the arrival of the midwife. This was a planned at-home birth. The delivery was faster than expected, however, mother and baby were healthy.

Fire Suppression / Special Operations

Shift Realignment and New Deployment Model

January 1, 2023, brought a lot of changes to SRFR. The line responders had recently "rebid" their station choices based on the new deployment model developed by the Operations team. This resulted in lots of new station assignments. We greatly appreciate everyone's cooperation and teamwork.

Emergency Medical Services

New MSO Moves

Congratulations to the following members moving to MSO positions January 1, 2023!

- Jerry Aamold – Alpha Shift MSO
- John Rouse – Bravo Shift MSO



Congratulations to MSO Lisa Defenbaugh in moving to the Day MSO position!

Snohomish County EMS

Deputy Chief Read is the new Treasurer for Snohomish County EMS Council. Thanks to Deputy Chief Rasmussen for your service to SCEMS!

Training & Safety

23-01 Academy

Congratulations to Steve Kuhlman and Matthew Nuttbrock who will be the two SRFR Company Officers in the Academy starting on February 6. We would also like to congratulate our 14 new recruits as they started their first day on January 2. The Chief of the Snohomish County Training Consortium, Rob Fisher, will be diligently organizing and leading the Academy Operations. Thanks to Chief Fisher for stepping up to lead.

Training

Thank you, Darby Hepper and Kris Olsen, for your hard work and dedication to the Training Division! Darby will be retiring (Congratulations!) and Kris will be moving back to the 24-hour shift schedule on D-Shift at Station 73. On January 2, we welcomed Driver Operators Steve Tickle and Driver Operator Joel Lengkeek as new members to the Training Division.

Safety Committee

The Safety Committee had its inaugural meeting of 2023 and would like to welcome its new members. Thank you for your commitment and for accepting this responsibility: James Hammeren, Chris Robertson, Dave Hanson, Kris Olsen, Jason Bowen, Brandon Vargas, and Dave Jonker.

LOGISTICS

Logistics

Station 31 Shop Addition Project

On December 8, staff met with architects Rice Fergus Miller and their engineers for a kickoff meeting at Station 31 for the Station 31 Shop addition project. Rice Fergus Miller will be working with their staff and engineers in the next couple months to prepare construction documents for the shop project.

Transition from Station 76 to Station 72

Logistics staff with the assistance of on-duty crews facilitated the move/transition from Station 76 to Station 72 on December 12. Thank you for all your hard work in making the transition as smooth as possible.



ADMINISTRATION

Snohomish Fire District 4

Senior Staff from SRFR and Snohomish Fire District 4 continue to discuss improved and expanded potential partnerships. More meetings are planned with leadership in 2023.

Looking forward to a safe and progressive 2023!

Thanks to all for your hard work and dedication to the SRFR Community,

Kevin O'Brien, Fire Chief

