



SNOHOMISH REGIONAL FIRE & RESCUE

Chief's Report

August 9, 2022

OPERATIONS

Congratulations to Driver Operator Pat Cook! Snohomish Regional Fire and Rescue Celebrated the retirement of Pat Cook at a flag ceremony at Station 81 on Monday, August 1. We thank Pat for his 22 years of serving the community as a firefighter. Pat has been a great friend and mentor to many. We also thank Pat for his many years of public service as a teacher in the Lake Stevens School District.

Significant Alarms

HAZMAT (Radioactive) Monroe, July 22, 2022

Battalion 31 was paged to contact Monroe Police Department for a box with radioactive placards attached and located at the Monroe Goodwill. B31 contacted MPD, added a hazmat call and requested E32 for a Hazmat technician. After further investigation and coordination with the Washington State Department of Health and Department of Ecology, it was determined that the box contained no immediate risk to the public and the Department of Ecology collected the box the following day.

Residential Fire, July 20, 2022

SRFR and Bothell units were dispatched to a house fire. Firefighters arrived to find a large two-story home with a working fire on the exterior of the Charlie side. After a well-coordinated fire attack, firefighters extinguished the fire. Fortunately, the primary bedrooms and garage were saved. The occupants stated all their important documents and pictures were in those areas. One cat was located and removed alive but the second cat was never found.

Small Aircraft Crash, July 19, 2022

SRFR responded with Bothell and South County units to a report of an airplane crash near 228 ST SE/45 AV SE at 22:20. A small experimental aircraft with two occupants and a dog crashed in the middle of 228 ST SE after hitting high voltage lines when they experienced a complete loss of power to the aircraft. All occupants suffered minor injuries and there was no injury to the dog. The occupants were transported to a local medical facility and 228 ST SE was shut down overnight pending an FAA investigation.

Other Activities

Summer Meltdown Festival

The Summer Meltdown Festival occurred July 28 through 31 at Sky Meadow Park in Monroe. Summer Meltdown is a concert/camping event with approximately 4,000



attendees. There were four stages with live music, food and beverage vendors and access to the river. ALS and BLS providers were on site to provide first aid and initial emergency care, along with private security and two Snohomish County Sheriff's Deputies. Our SRFR crew in the East Battalion toured the site during daylight hours, and B31 attended the daily safety briefing with event staff. SRFR crews responded to several calls to the festival over the weekend.

Fire District 5, Sultan

On August 3, staff met with leadership from Fire District 5, Sultan to discuss the Advanced Life Support Interlocal Agreement. There were no decisions made.

PLANNING

Community Relations

Aquafest

Thank you to all who helped with the Lake Stevens Aquafest Festival during July 29-31; including the Firefighters' Pancake Breakfast, Public Education Booth, Children's Parade, Grand Parade, First Aid Booth, Fire Boat, Fireworks, and more!! After a two-year break due to COVID, it was great to connect with our Lake Stevens community in person!

National Night Out

SRFR participated with our regional response partners in National Night Out on Tuesday August 2. There was a great public turnout at the following locations:

- Mill Creek - Highlands Park
- Monroe - Lake Tye Park
- Snohomish - Willis Tucker Community Park
- Lake Stevens - Trestle Station

Take care and stay safe,

Kevin O'Brien, Fire Chief