



The Extinguisher



**DEPARTMENT
UPDATES
8/25/23 -9/8/23**

The department successfully took part in another Holden Days. It was a busy day all around with large crowds throughout the day. Big thanks to all members who worked the event representing the department.

Sunday 9/17 will be FF/P Rich Johnson's last official day as a member of the department. Rich and his family will be relocating to South Carolina and we wish them all well in the future. We are currently working with a candidate to take the open position and hope to have that individual on board in October.

As of October 1, FF/P Bryan Patch will assume the role of Emergency Management Coordinator. He will be working in the Division of Community Risk Reduction on emergency management planning for both the Town and the WRSD. Congratulations and good luck to Bryan in his new position!

The following is a message from Public Education Coordinator Joe Sposato regarding Open House: *"I ask that you please mark on your calendar, HFD Open on 10/14 from 12-3. We are going to have 2 or 3 cars for demonstrations (air bags, EHurst, Res-Q jacks), the Fire Safety Trailer, and I am in contact with the local professional teams to have their mascots come by. This event is a 4 hour paid event at your designated rate. Please let myself or Asst. Chief Montiverdi know if you are willing and able to assist"*. Open House is another of the important public events that the department puts on for the community. If you are available, please sign up to assist.

Vehicles

- 1. A4 – OEMS license has arrived, will be in service today 9/8 at some point.**
- 2. Car 4 – The mobile radio has been removed and returned to Motorola for repair. Make sure to have a portable if using this vehicle.**
- 3. Engine 1 – The L3 compartment roll up door handle has been repaired.**

Fire Prevention

- 1. The opening week of school has been a success. All inspections and fire drills were completed.**

Training

- 1. We have tentatively secured the MFA Springfield Campus Burn Building for Live Burns on 12/12. More to come on that training.**
- 2. POSTPONED Cancer in the Fire Service MFA training scheduled for 9am on 9/16 at Fire HQ. Any questions please see Captain Pierce.**

Stations

- 1. Station 2 –**
 - a. We have been having lingering issues with the computer at Station 2. We are aware of the problem and are looking into solutions to make the network connection better and to update the desktop unit.**

- b. All crews please remember when leaving Station 2, make sure that all doors are closed and secure including the out building.**

- c. A new camera system has been installed at Adams Road to allow for security on the site and remote camera access.**