

**City Council
Staff Report**



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Subject: Fire Department April 2014 Report
Type of Item: Informational

Summary Recommendations: This report is for informational purposes as part of the Fire Department’s Monthly Report to the City Council.

Description:

- A. **Topic:** Fire Department Monthly Update.
- B. **Background/History:** On July 16, 2013 the Fire Department presented a comprehensive fire service presentation. At that time the Council directed staff to begin providing comprehensive Monthly Reports regarding department operations.
- C. **Analysis:**

OPERATIONS

<i>Emergency Responses:</i>							
EMS	EMS YTD	FIRE	FIRE YTD	OTHER	OTHER YTD	MO. TOTAL	Year To Date
0	10	8	16	0	0	8	26
				Month	Year to Date		
<i>Civilian Fire Fatalities</i>				0	0		
<i>Civilian Fire Injuries</i>				0	0		
<i>Firefighter Injuries</i>				0	0		
<i>Monthly Fire Loss</i>				0	\$40,000		
<i>Significant Incidents</i>				0	1		

Figure 1: Fire Department Calls for Service

Resource: Weber Area Consolidated Dispatch

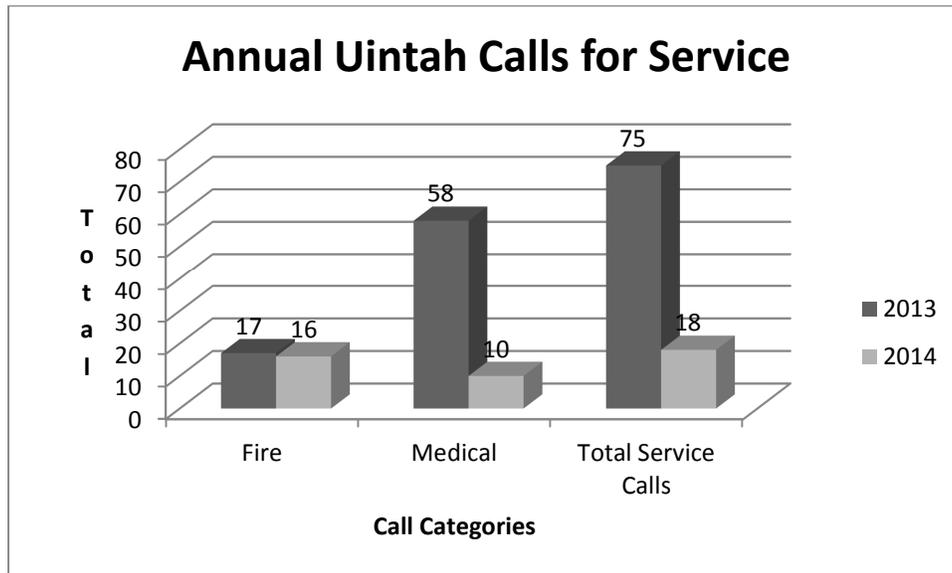
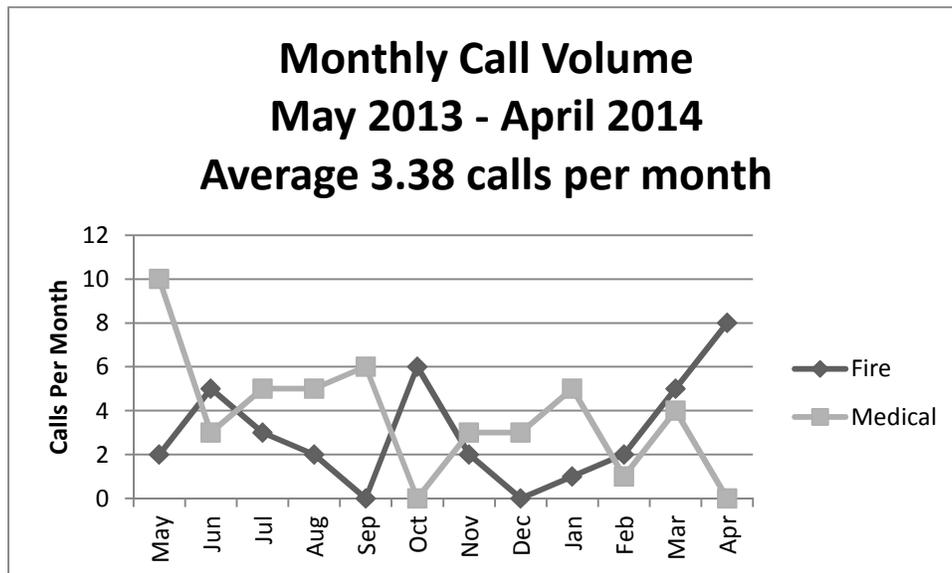


Figure 1 shows the total calls for service for 2013. Please note that 2014 is the call volume for January through April of this calendar year

Figure 2: Monthly Call Volume Longitudinal

Resource: Weber Area Consolidated Dispatch



The trend indicated in Figure 2, shows call volume since May 2013. Fire and EMS related incidents pose an unreliable variable for future statistical planning.

Figure 3: Monthly Medical Call Volume

Resource: Weber Area Consolidated Dispatch

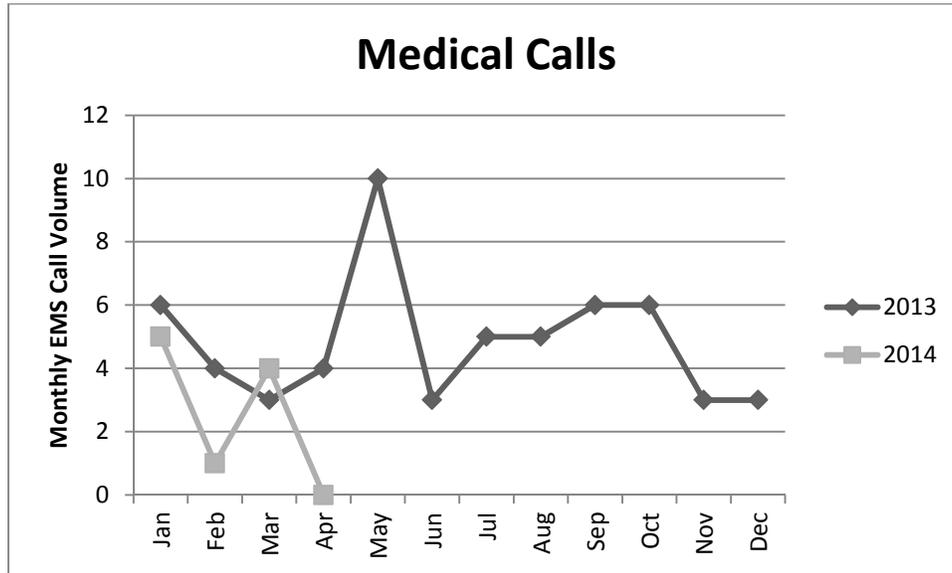


Figure 3 Monthly EMS calls 2013, and January - April 2014.

Figure 4: First Responder Medical Call Response

Resource: Weber Area Consolidated Dispatch

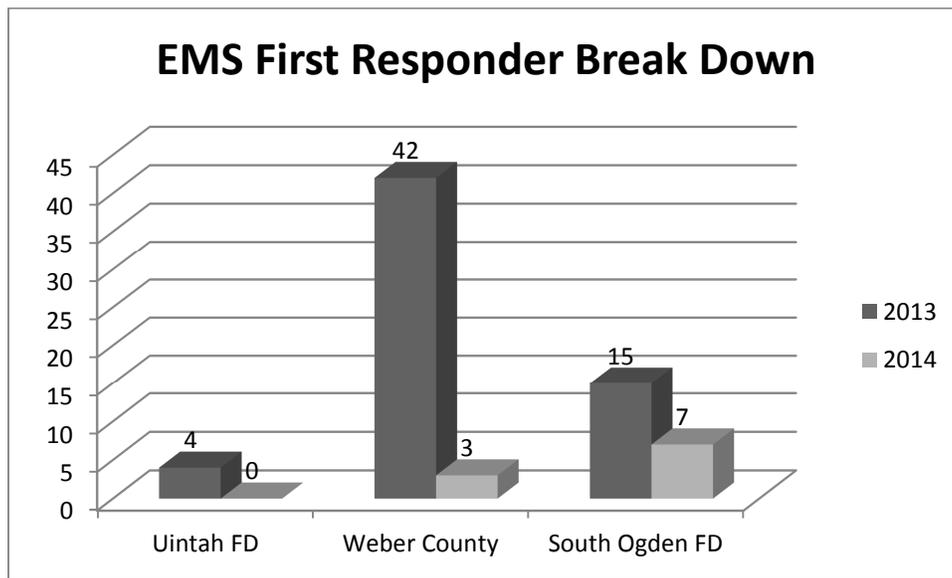


Figure 4 shows the First Responder Calls response, broken down by responding agency.¹

¹ Weber County Fire District is currently contracted to provide this service to Uintah City.

Figure 5: Monthly Fire Call Trend

Resource: Weber Area Consolidated Dispatch

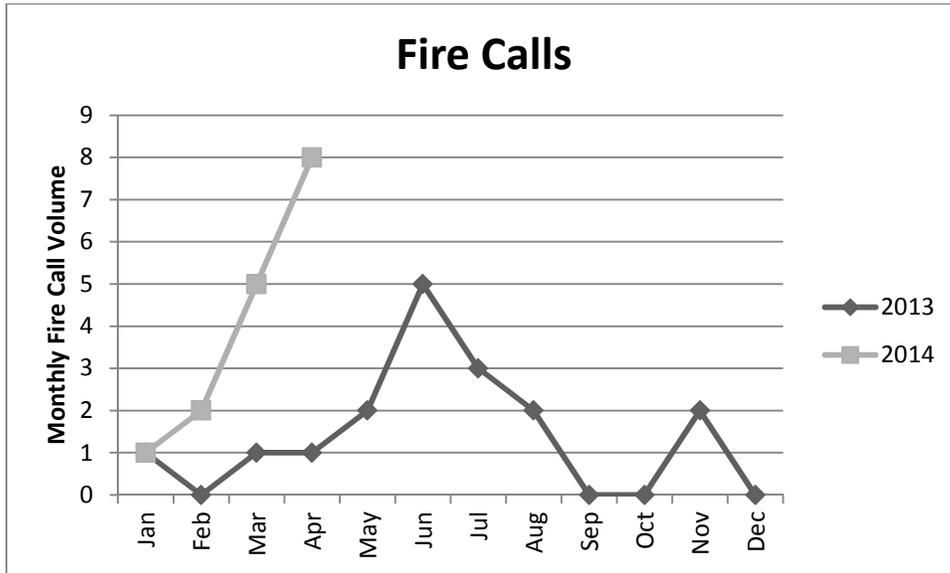


Figure 5 Monthly Fire Calls 2012, and January - April 2014

Figure 6: Monthly EMS Calls by Type

Resource: Weber Area Consolidated Dispatch

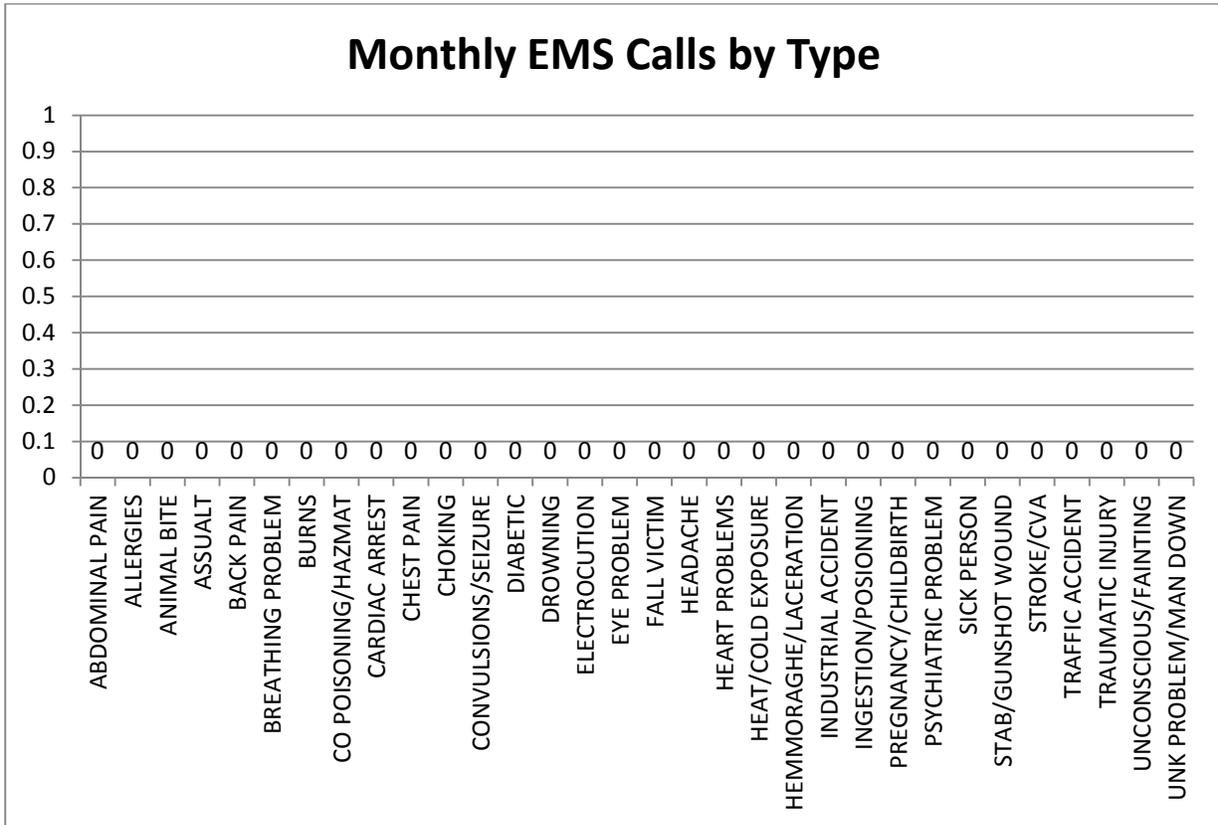
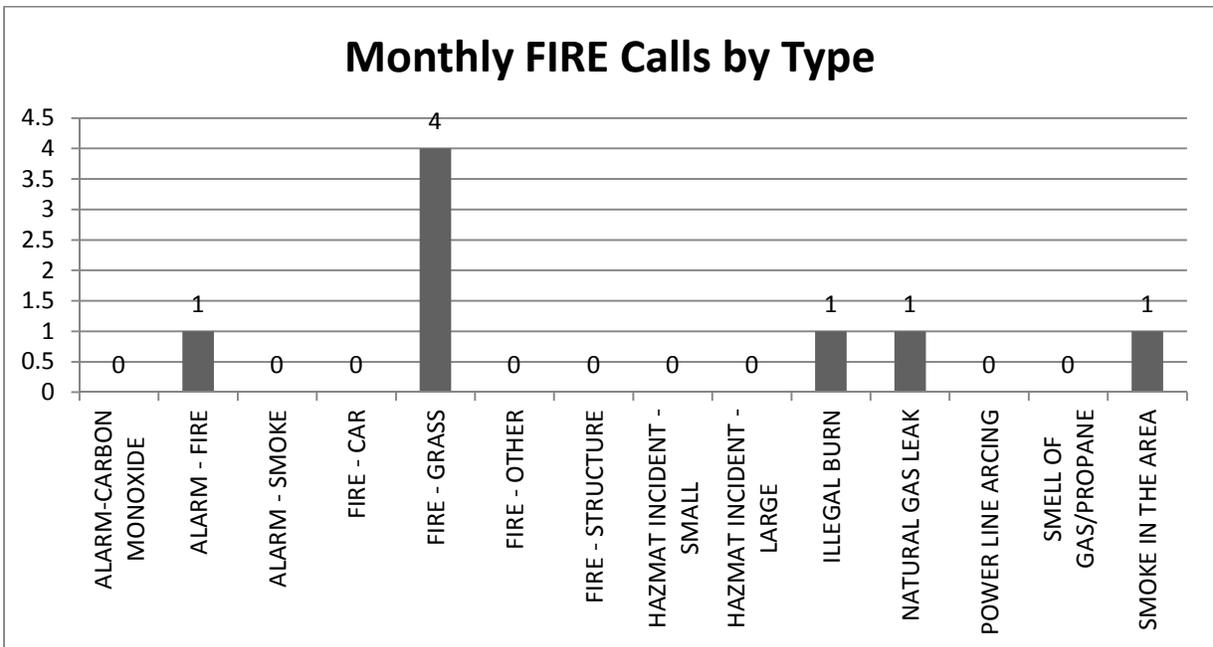


Figure 7: Monthly FIRE Calls by Type

Resource: Weber Area Consolidated Dispatch



TRAINING

The department completed it's regularly schedule training drills.

<i>Training:</i>							
<i>Mandatory Training</i>				<i>Optional Training</i>			
Fire Offered	EMS Offered	Monthly Offered	YTD Offered	Fire Offered	EMS Offered	Monthly Offered	YTD Offered
6	0	6	19	1	5	6	32

During these training offerings the following skills and topics were covered:

- Firefighter I/II Skills Evolutions
- Forcible Entry
- County-wide Mass Casualty Incident Exercise
- Engine Company Operations
- Driver Proficiency
- Emergency Medical Service Systems
- Workforce Wellness / Safety
- Medical-Legal Ethics
- Anatomy Physiology
- Firefighter Survival
- Vehicle Extrication
- Safety and Well Being of Patient

PERSONNEL

	Authorized	Staffed	Variance
Chief	1	1	0
Deputy Chief	1	1	0
Captain	2	2	0
Firefighter	12	7	-5
TOTALS	16	11	-5

Current Vacancies: 5 Volunteer Firefighters

Personnel Changes

None.

Personnel Change Summary

Reduction in Staff 0
Addition to Staff 0
Net Change to Staff 0

Personnel Attendance

Firefighter	Incidents	Required Training	Optional Training ²	Meetings ³	Total Available ⁴
CHF W. Pope	67%	100%	63%	100%	85%
DCHF M. Marz	50%	67%	38%	46%	48%
CAPT B. Bybee	0%	100%	63%	8%	36%
CAPT C. Bybee	33%	83%	38%	15%	36%
FF D. Pearson	17%	100%	13%	0%	24%
FF J. Wall	17%	0%	63%	0%	18%
FF S. Pettigrew	0%	50%	0%	0%	9%
FF C. Hoffman	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
FF C. Dixon	0%	83%	38%	0%	24%
FF A. Burton	0%	50%	50%	0%	21%
FF T. Bybee	LOA	LOA	LOA	LOA	LOA

² Optional Training includes trainings for professional development that are not minimum training standard requirements, for example: EMT Course

³ Meetings generally require attendance only from Department Officers and zero attendance is not an abnormal finding in this category

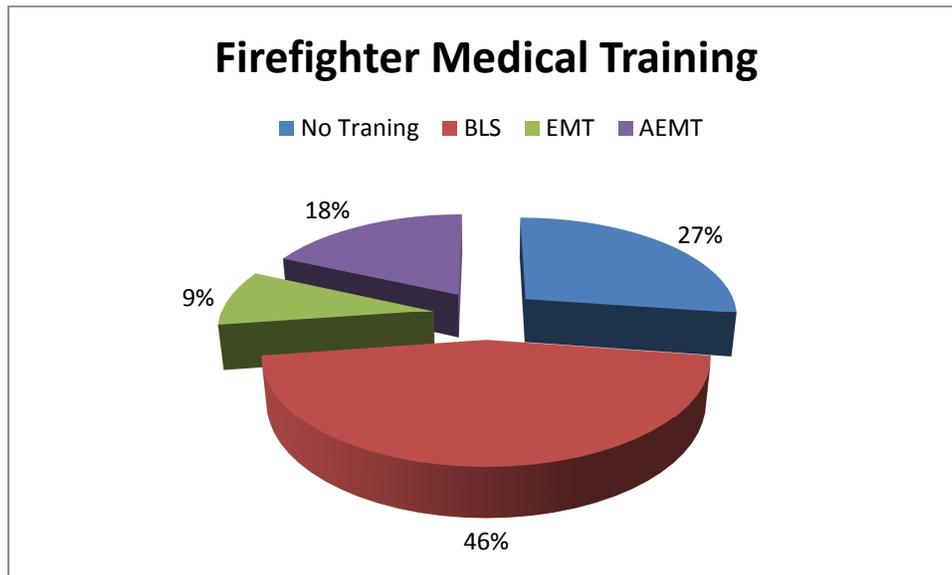
⁴ Total available percentage is based on ALL attendance options, which includes optional training and meetings which may not be applicable to minimum participation requirements.

Personnel Certification

FIRE CERTIFICATION SUMMARY⁵



EMS CERTIFICATION SUMMARY⁶



⁵ One of the Firefighter II is also certified as Fire Instructor I

⁶ One of the Advanced EMT (AEMT) is also certified through B.E.M.S. as an EMS Instructor

FIRE PREVENTION

<i>Fire Prevention:</i>	Monthly Total	Year To Date
Required Inspections	1	3
Voluntary Inspections	0	0
Plans Review	2	2
Vegetation Mgt Inspections	0	0
Open Burn Permits Issued	76	76
Code Enforcement/Nuisance	0	0
Fire Investigations	0	1
Life Safety Education Presentations	0	1
<i>Number of Participants</i>	0	30

No notable fire prevention activities to report.

FISCAL

<i>Monthly Budget Review⁷</i>				
Monthly Expenditures	\$4517.52			
% of Budget Year Remaining	16.6%			
% of Total Budget Remaining	37.2%			
Budget Category	Month Expend	Annual Expend	Remaining Budget	Percent Remaining
<i>Salaries/Wages</i>	1438.00	6337.00	3525.00	35.7
<i>Employee Benefits</i>	0.01	165.10	1149.24	87.4
<i>Equipment/Supply/Maint</i>	2413.51	9450.75	(1450.75)	Over
<i>Professional/Technical</i>	26.00	13675.00	6325.00	31.6
<i>Education/Training</i>	640.00	1688.50	(1188.50)	Over
<i>Dispatch Fees</i>	0.00	585.75	(585.75)	Over
<i>Impact Fees</i>	0.00	0.00	760.00	100
<i>Gasoline</i>	0.00	216.34	538.66	73.0
<i>Grant Expenditures</i>	0.00	1547.25	3452.75	69.1
	\$4517.52	\$33692.69	\$12543.00	37.2%

⁷ Budget accounting is dependent on reporting from City to Department and may not include expenditures that have not been processed yet. Information provided is the most current information provided to the Department. For more current information contact the City Recorder.

APPARATIUS STATUS

ENGINE 91

Status:

IN SERVICE

First Due Engine

1999 Pierce - 1000 Gallon Tank/ 1250 GPM Pump

Recent Issues Addressed

- None

Immediate Maintenance Issues

- Tank to pump valve is leaking, will need replacement
- Engine is due for preventative maintenance servicing (oil change, etc)

Future Issues / Foreseeable Needs to Address

- Current Scene Lighting is a 15 watt halogen light, in which the switch/fuse keeps burning out. Light head will need to be replaced with at least 20 watt light head.
- Engine 91 needs a battery charging system installed, along with a shore line power supply so that electronic equipment (i.e. flashlights, radios) can be charged while the vehicle is not in operation thus draining the battery and in turn leaving serviceable equipment on the fire ground.

BRUSH 91

Status:

IN SERVICE

Light Brush Truck

2000 Ford F-350 - 250 gallon tank / Brush Pump

Recent Issues Addressed

- None

Immediate Maintenance Issues

- Vehicle speedometer is not functioning. Trouble shooting issues in house.
- Engine is due for preventative maintenance servicing (oil change, etc)

Future Issues / Foreseeable Needs to Address

- Scene lighting needs to be installed on the truck for night operations

BRUSH 92

Status:

IN SERVICE

Heavy Brush Truck

1970 AM General M35A2 - 1000 gallon tank/ Brush Pump

Recent Issues Addressed

- None

Immediate Maintenance Issues

- Engine is due for preventative maintenance servicing (oil change, etc)

Future Issues / Foreseeable Needs to Address

- The brush pump installed on this heavy brush is inadequate for the movement of the 1000 gallons of water the truck carries. The pump engine is also aging, and will need to be replaced.
- The vehicle needs a headset/intercom system installed. When the vehicle is on, with the elevated muffler (at cab level) it is impossible to communicate within the cab or communicate on the radio – this is an OSHA hearing protection issue, as well as a communications/safety issue.
- Vehicle requires scene lighting to be installed for night operations.

STATUS OF SIGNIFICANT ISSUES DEPARTMENT IS ADDRESSING

- The Department continues to provide information with and attend meetings of the Weber County Fire-Subcommittee.
- The Department has been invited and begun attending Weber County Dispatch Operations Board committee meetings, which is attended by all public safety department heads in the county.
- The Department also provides information with and attends meeting with the Weber County Fire Officers Association.
- The Department has been attending the Weber County Fire/EMS Protocol Meetings in which Agency Chiefs establish county-wide standard operating guidelines.
- The Department has submitted a Federal FOIA request to FEMA for the peer review information regarding our failed FEMA AFG/SAFER grant (recruiting/retention grant) to determine where the weaknesses of our application existed. This request is still outstanding.

- The Department continues to prepare the Application and Self-Audit requirements for submitting our request to become accredited with the Utah Fire and Rescue Academy to teach and certify non-affiliated members (thus creating an income revenue stream for the department).
- Department submitted for the 2014 Utah State Fire Department Assistance Grant Application for equipment in the total amount of \$14,952.35. This Grant should be awarded in May and Funding release in June.
- The \$66,000 PPE Grant submitted to FEMA under the AFG Grant Program is still pending. The third round of funding has been awarded, without our department receiving funding as of yet. There is an in-determined amount of rounds, however previous years funded into 40 plus funding rounds.
- The Department will begin the steps to become a EMS Agency with Utah Bureau of EMS as a Quick Response (EMR) agency.

D. **Department Review:** Fire Department

E. **Significant Impacts:** This report is for informational purposes only. If the Council has specific questions or concerns that are not addressed in this report please contact Chief Pope at (801) 425-2802 or wpope@uintahfd.org