





Mayor O'Keefe, Members of the Common Council and Administrator Hilvo:

I would like to present the 2021 year-in-review for the Cedarburg Fire Department. In the following pages, you will see many charts and graphs of our activities over the past year. I am very proud of the volunteer members of our department, for their hard work and dedication to our community. Without them, there would not be much of a report to give.

We had hoped that the pandemic would have been winding down during 2021, but for us that was not the case. Precautions still needed to be in place to protect our members and those that needed our help. Extra personal protective equipment still needs to be worn, and extra de-contamination still needs to be done. However, the members of the Cedarburg Fire Department continue to take on the extra burden, and continue to provide the best service possible to our residents and the visitors to our community.

In addition to keeping up with safety protocols, our members returned to a more normal pace attending trainings for Fire, EMS and Dive Rescue, as well as responding to 1209 calls for the year. Just 64 calls down from our highest volume ever recorded in 2020, but still upward trending when compared to 2019 and the years prior to that. Appreciation also for our Officers and Chiefs, who make sure our trainings are always being improved to meet new challenges and needs for the community, while providing our members with essential skills and information necessary for emergency service personnel to successfully use their skills.

In 2021, it was nice to see an upward trend of volunteer membership, with the addition of 12 new members. The department also hired two full-time employees, both experienced volunteers already with the department. More information about both of them can be found on page 11. With ever-changing community demographics around the country, volunteer fire departments are always looking at ways to keep membership solid and growing, which is why hiring full-time or paid-on-call personnel is important for the future. Having full-time Fire/EMS personnel at the station ready to respond quickly to a call provides better overall service to the community. And in addition, it allows our volunteers to work together with the full-time personnel to cover multiple calls when necessary.

In closing, we chose a photo for the front cover of our annual report showing the Cedarburg Fire Department marching in the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade. This photo symbolizes two things. First, our community coming together after a pandemic, showing their patriotic spirit of our great country and community. Second, the pride and soul of the members of the Cedarburg Fire Department, pushing through a pandemic while putting their own safety aside, to continue to help others in need, and also showing their great love for our country and this

great community we call home!

Sincerely

Jeffrey J. Vahsholtz

Chief





## **CFD 2021 Active Membership Roster**

**Under 1 year:** 

Stephanie M. Van Pietersom

Klark A. Pennings

Ryan J. Feiertag

Christopher J. Naas

Katelyn M. Phelps

Daniel M. Wolf

Nathan D. Jensen

**Christopher Elias** 

Nicholas J. Lesselyoung

Rachel L. Traylor

Joshua A. Zalesky

Nicole A. Albrecht

1 to 10 years:

Ivy J. Garland

Sally G. Presnal

Ashton R. Meinel

Jordon J. Abts

Curtis A. Hanaman

Lauren A. Janous

**Edward T. Lanser** 

Maggie M. Drinan

**Denver C. Dalley** 

Michael R. Kranz

Nicholas L. Janous

**Tanya Zarling** 

**Nathan Tiegs** 

Kimberly M. Szymanski

Melanie L. Clausing-Miles

Lindsay L. Landers \*Lt. Rescue

**Robert D. Mathias** 

**Andrew J. Roberts** 

Diana L. Klingler

Andrew J. Hester

Dennis W. Grulkowski

Jeffrey L. Nelson

Randy A. Tews

Dustin J. Halyburton \*Pub Ed / Dive Leader

Paul G. Goetz \*Lt. Engine Company

Jeffrey A. Klingler

Stacy K. Cooke

Alexandra L. Neuman

Kelly A. LaPorta

Stacy A. Seatz

**Full-Time Employed in 2021:** 

Joseph W. Hintz \*Deputy Chief Jason Peterson MPO/FF/AEMT 11 to 15 years:

William A. Esselmann

Blake R. Karnitz \*Fire Inspector / Lt. Rescue Co.

Norine C. Nelson

Robert F. Jung

John E. Zarling

John D. Schrader

Andrew W. Heidtke \*Deputy Chief/Training

David M. Schwantes

Edward M. Petrarca

Nichole J. Zarling \* Captain Rescue Company

**Christopher C. Hoerz** 

Brian J. Vahsholtz \*Lt. Rescue

Peter J. Pautz \*Lt. Engineers

16 to 24 years:

Nathan M. Matter

**Craig A. Boerner \* Captain Engineers** 

Joseph E. Grube \*Lt. Engine Company

**Grant D. Witte \*Safety Officer** 

Joel L. Bublitz

James G. Bougie

Lisa M. Boerner

25 to 34 years (Honorary Active):

Kara J. Racine

Scott E. Matusewic \*Deputy Chief

Suzanne V. Ernst

Carly A. Giuliani

35 to 39 years (Honorary Active):

William H. Hintz \* Assistant Chief

**Gregory G. Boerner** 

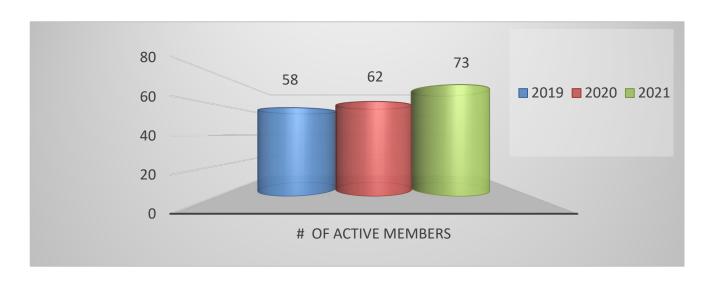
40 years and over: (Honorary Active):

Raymond R. Jung

Jeffrey J. Vahsholtz \* Chief

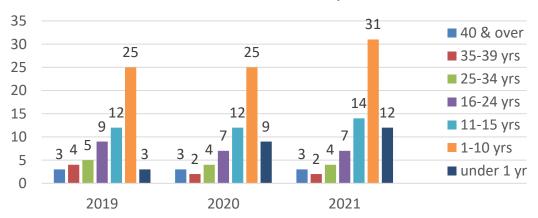
Edward A. Bublitz

Total: 73 Active Members
\*Denotes Officers/Chiefs





Members' Years of Experience







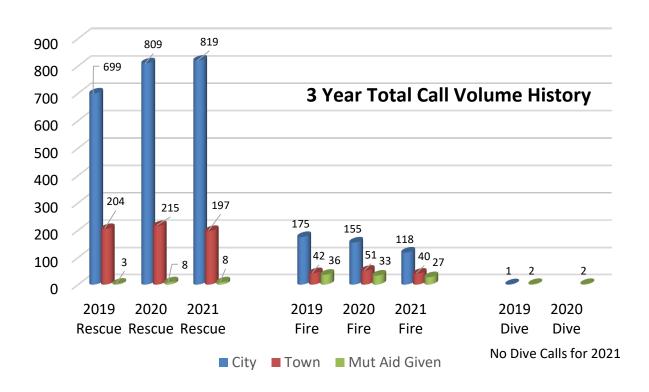
In 2021, the bell tolled one last time for the following CFD members:

Peter Howard Krueger Robert (Bob) Glenn Heck K. Kenneth Doughman

The Cedarburg Fire Department responded to a total of **1,209** incidents

	City	Town	Mutual Aid Given to other Ozaukee county departments	Total
Rescue	819	197	8	1024
Fire	118	40	27	185
Totals	937	237	35	1209

For Mutual Aid Given and Mutual Aid Received information and statistics, see Page 7 for Rescue Incidents and Page 8 for Fire Incidents.



#### **Types of Rescue Incidents**

#### **Total EMS Rescues**

City: 819 Town: 197 Mutual Aid Given: 8

#### **Motor Vehicle Accidents**

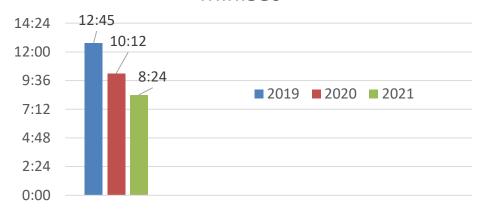
(which are counted as part of the total EMS Rescue)
City: 22 Town: 11 Mutual Aid Given: 1

#### **Paramedic Intercept Breakdown**

Total Intercepts			
Total EMS calls	1,024	84.7% of all calls	
Total Intercept Requests	369	36.0% of all EMS calls	
Paramedic Transport	146	14.3% of all EMS calls	

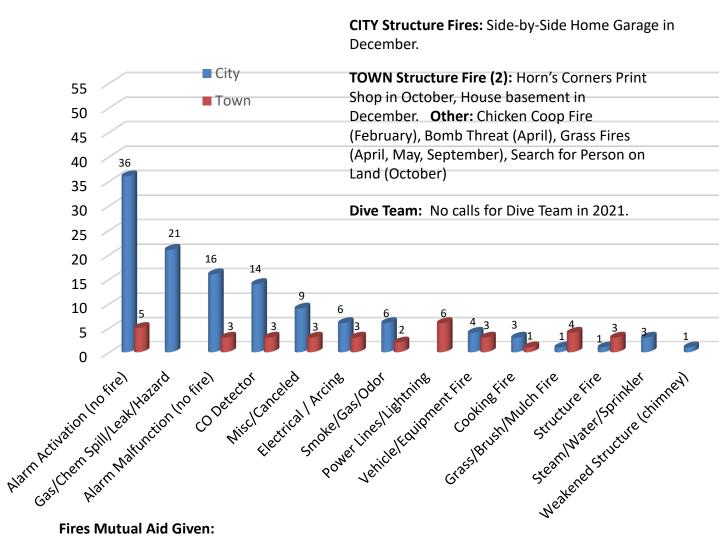
Leading into 2021, we identified that our response times were not ideal for the people we have sworn to protect. In identifying this gap in our service, we made it a priority to improve this and continue to provide a high level of service to our community and its visitors. The below chart shows how we have greatly improved our average response times across the City and Town of Cedarburg in a very short amount of time.

## Average Response Time Min:Sec



#### **Types of Fire Incidents**

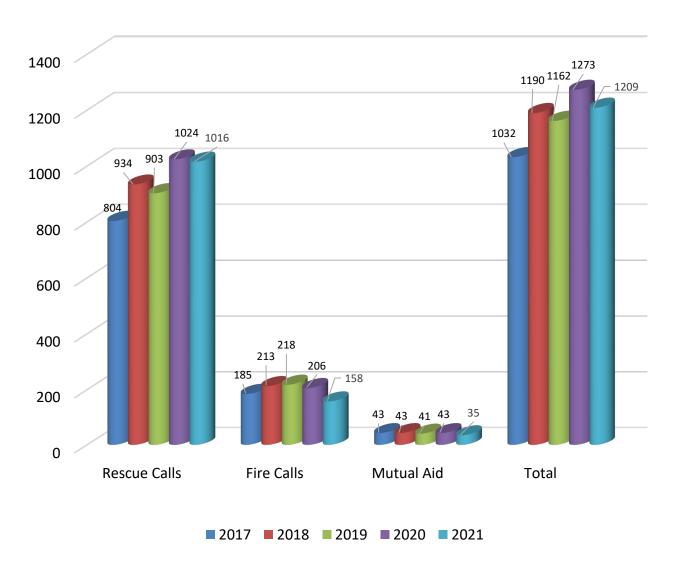
City: 118 Town: 40 Mutual Aid Given/MABAS: 27 Mutual Aid Received: 3



#### Fires Mutual Aid Given:

- CFD responded to MABAS (Mutual Aid Box Alarm System) and Mutual Aid calls a total of 27 times to assist Grafton (9), Mequon (4), Port Washington (1), Thiensville (1), Germantown (1), Menomonee Falls (1), Kenosha (1), Fredonia (2), Slinger (1) River Hills (2), Saukville (1), West Bend (1), and Jackson (2). Cedarburg assisted on 13 building fires, 1 grass fire, 1 vehicle fire, 4 cover/change of quarters, 7 that were canceled enroute and 1 response to Thiensville for burst water pipes.
- CFD Fire responded to an animal rescue in October to help a kitten that got it's head stuck in the dash of a vehicle. The police had been contacted and CFD assisted by moving the cat to a position where the head could be freed. The kitten was removed safely.

## **Annual Fire and Rescue Incident 5 year Comparison**





# MABAS Division 119 2021 Yearly Report

The Cedarburg Police Department is the lead dispatch center for MABAS (Mutual Aid Box Alarm System) Division 119 (Ozaukee County). The Mequon Police Department is the backup dispatch for Division 119. Below is a list of all MABAS calls dispatched through the Cedarburg Police Department in 2021. A MABAS call brings mutual Fire Departments into a community, not only from within our county, but also outside of Ozaukee County.

Date	Time	Agency	Location
5/21/2021	09:02	MUFD	12031 N Granville Rd (COM)
5/31/2021	14:12	SKFD	3258 Highway O (TOS)
6/22/2021	23:32	BGFD	5800 Six Mile Road (TOB)
7/16/2021	17:52	BGFD	County LL/ Jay Rd (TOB)
7/26/2021	13:15	MUFD	13603 N Martin Way (COM)
8/1/2021	10:39	BGFD	2254 Jay Rd (TOB)
8/16/2021	16:38	MUFD	1462 W Windpointe Ct (COM)
9/7/2021	12:35	GRFD	1534 E Cedar Creek Rd (TOG)
9/12/2021	17:48	PWFD	404 Wisconsin St (COP)
12/4/2021	09:54	WBFD	N5681 Cedar Valley Rd (TOF)
12/4/2021	21:07	FRFD	217 N Wilson St (VOF)
12/5/2021	06:25	FRFD	217 N Wilson St (VOF)
12/30/2021	14:05	CBFD	W71N1054 Hampton Ave (COC)

#### **Promotions 2021**



#### Andy Heidtke was promoted to Deputy Chief on July 22, 2021

Andy started his fire service training early on as an Explorer and became an active volunteer member in July 2006. Andy's dedication to the fire service can be seen in his achievements, with a promotion to Lt. Engine Company in 2011, and Captain of Engine Company in November 2015.

Using his training leadership, Andy sets a great example for others in the department. He served on the Truck Committee, Firemen's Park Board, as well as being named Member-At-Large and Historian. He has completed certifications for Firefighter I and II, HazMat Ops, Emergency Services Instructor I, and FEMA Incident Command courses.

In 2021, two of our volunteers were hired to be full-time paid employees for the Department. **Deputy Chief Joseph Hintz** and **Firefighter/AEMT Jason Peterson** will be working a 24/48 hour rotating schedule.



## Volunteer Deputy Chief, Joey Hintz, was hired as a Full-Time Paid Deputy Chief on April 5, 2021.

Joey started his fire service training early on as an Explorer and became an active member of the department in July 2008. His leadership skills were quickly recognized in 2011 as Extrication Leader, which then led to a promotion in 2014 as Lt./Assistant Chief Engineer. By 2019, Joey had been promoted to Engine Company Captain/Extrication Officer. Joey was promoted to Deputy Chief in 2020 and he has completed many hours of trainings for FEMA Incident Command courses, as well as completed his certifications for Fire Officer, Firefighter I and II, HazMat Ops, Cevo 3, Driver/Operator Aerial and Pumper, Basic EMT and Advanced EMT.

Volunteer Firefighter/EMT, Jason Peterson, was hired as a Full-Time Paid Firefighter/AEMT on October 4, 2021.

Jason joined CFD in September 2016 after moving to Cedarburg from the state of New York. Jason quickly became active as a volunteer completing Firefighter I and II, Hazmat Ops, Cevo 3, Driver/Operator Pumper and EMT Basic. He completed Advanced EMT in Fall 2021 and will take Aerial Operator in 2022.

Jason is always quick to help others, takes on projects around the station, helps out at fundraising events and is an all-around great asset to the department.



## **2021 Training Update**

In 2021, we made a few changes to our monthly training program to move most of our Department activities to Thursday evenings. Our Department training has traditionally been held on the second Thursday of the month, and will continue that way. Rescue trainings were shifted to the third Thursday and Engineers trainings to the fourth Thursday of the month. This change was made to help reduce the amount of time our volunteer members were coming to the station during the week and to help them plan ahead consistently for trainings.

Additional training continued to be delivered through our online platform TargetSolutions for the entire Department. Using TargetSolutions, we were able to categorize our trainings according to ISO standards to see how we could improve. One area of focus landed on individual physical fitness training for members.

Training highlights in 2021 included extensive brush fire training in the month of April, where we were able to hold controlled burn training in multiple wildland areas. In the late summer weeks leading up to the Wine and Harvest Festival, our training was focused on our response to simulated incidents in a crowded festival footprint.

Late in the year, our EMS volunteers were trained to use a new online platform called FOAMfrat coming in 2022. In total, our members completed over 4,600 hours of training in 2021. See next page for chart breakdown of training type and hours.



Training Categories	4,690 Hours	Details
Fire Suppression	282 Hours 60 Hours 1,003 Hours 57 Hours 97 Hours	<ul> <li>Firefighter I and II Courses (6 members)</li> <li>Fire Inspector Course (1 member)</li> <li>Monthly Fire Trainings (includes Controlled Brush Burns)</li> <li>Jump Seat Training (9 members)</li> <li>Other training (Online, Conference, Mentorship)</li> </ul>
EMS Rescue	1,240 Hours 80 Hours 6 Hours 696 Hours 13 Hours 57 Hours	<ul> <li>Basic and Advanced EMT Courses (7 members)</li> <li>Emergency Services Instructor I (2 members)</li> <li>CPR Instructor (1 member)</li> <li>Monthly EMS Trainings</li> <li>CEVO Driving for Ambulance</li> <li>Outside online classes and Re-certifications</li> </ul>
Engineers	264 Hours 479 Hours	<ul> <li>Motor/Pumper/Operator Courses (4 members)</li> <li>Monthly Trainings (including Outside Aerial and Road Tests)</li> </ul>
Incident Command	22 Hours	All Online (Fire and EMS)
Auto Extrication Dive Team  Maintenance	100 Hours 181 Hours 53 Hours	<ul> <li>Includes Fire Nuggets Vehicle Rescue (2 days)</li> <li>Includes Annual Ice Dive, Simulated Deep Dive, and Open Surface Ice Rescue</li> <li>Monthly maintenance on apparatus/equipment</li> </ul>
Meetings	677 Hours	Details
Meetings	313 Hours 44 Hours 161 Hours 83 Hours 76 Hours	<ul> <li>Business Meetings</li> <li>Executive Board</li> <li>Officers Meetings</li> <li>Committee Meetings (Safety, Awards, Mentorship)</li> <li>New Member Orientation</li> </ul>
Explorers Program	277 Hours	Details
Explorers (Age 14-18)	193 Hours 54 Hours 30 Hours	<ul> <li>Monthly Trainings (includes Physical Fitness)</li> <li>Monthly Meetings</li> <li>Service Work</li> <li>*Agility Challenge canceled for 2<sup>nd</sup> year in a row</li> </ul>
<b>Grand Total</b>	5,644 Hours	



## 2021 Engine Company Update

During 2021, the Engine Company did a great job of staying on top of equipment checks, SCBA checks, and assisted in training new members to get them ready to respond to calls after they completed Firefighter class. We accomplished our hose testing on 9/11/2021, which included 17,225 feet of hand lines and water supply lines. From that, only 200 feet of hose was deemed not usable due to minor holes or aging. Cedarburg had the largest amount of hose tested in Ozaukee county. We also added new rubber hand lines to our engines to assist with dumpster and vehicle fires.

We were able to update two of our positive pressure fans to help us with ventilation, and also for rehab for our firefighters. The fans are equipped with a 90-minute battery, with the ability to plug into an outlet, making them more user-friendly in large structures and apartment buildings.

Engine Company spent the last year focusing on fire safety for citizens and visitors, who attend the Cedarburg Festivals, by placing fire hose in strategic locations and by mapping hydrants. With the standardizing of locations of fire apparatus, Engine Company increased our effectiveness during fire emergencies that could occur during these events.

Maintaining our personal safety equipment is a must at CFD and preplanning for the worst scenarios is what keeps us a step ahead of all others. Testing and training with our SCBA, mask fit testing, flow testing and hydro-testing were all performed in 2021.





### **2021 Rescue Company Update**

In 2021, the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic continued on from 2020, at one point reaching its highest peak. While we did not see a higher call volume than the previous year, we still saw a significant increase from the years prior to the pandemic. We continued to battle equipment backlogs and shortages, when one got better, something else seemed to experience a shortage. Because of this, we had to frequently monitor our stock to keep up.

The Rescue Company was focused on improving service to the communities we serve in 2021, and added a first response vehicle to the fleet. The addition of this vehicle allows our volunteers to take the vehicle, a 2021 Chevrolet Traverse equipped with medical equipment, home and respond directly to the scene of an EMS incident. This means someone arrives on scene sooner to provide a high level of care to the patient and give direction to other incoming units. It has proven its worth and has aided in significantly lowering our response times across both the City and Town of Cedarburg.

As always, the EMTs of the department are Rescue Company's most valuable assets. Our department and our community owe everything to these dedicated men and women who continue to sacrifice their time to help their neighbors. Time and time again they step up when the demand for our services increases and the time commitment needed for training rises.



### **2021 Engineers Update**

2021 provided a much needed sense of normalcy and a return to department activities and trainings for the CFD Engineers. Our MPO's and HEO's spent several hours during scheduled monthly evenings working on pumping, aerial operations and apparatus driving. Time was also spent on projects throughout the year. Members provided maintenance on the dry hydrants and cisterns and also kept up on our listed water sources within the town to evaluate the effectiveness of them.

In 2021, we were proud to see 4 members complete the state certified course to become MPO's.

#### Shown at right:

AJ Hester, Nick Janous, Jeff Klingler and Eddie Lanser will be promoted in 2022 after completing all the necessary in house trainings.



## 2021 Explorers Program Update

Cedarburg's Explorer Post is one of the last remaining posts in the county. The post remains strong, with 11 active explorers. The explorers have continued to deepen their knowledge about the fire service, by consistently training, studying, and working with the Cedarburg Fire Department.

The Explorers are led by a member of the Cedarburg Fire Department, AEMT Chris Hoerz, and helped by various other members of the department who have been trained in youth leadership.

A new training and fitness initiative has been introduced to the Explorer program, Explorers meet on a weekly basis and workout, train, and study together. The Explorers have continued to train rigorously for the Explorer Combat Challenge, they hope to host their own combat event this coming year. The Explorers raised funds by working at Maxwell Street Days, Electronic Recycling Events, and other department fundraisers. The Explorer post also participated in the Kapco Kids2Kids Toy Drive, they donated toys and gifts to the charity event.



#### **2021-2022 Explorers:**

Colt Cofta Nadia Frohmader Tyler Hoerz Alex Irato Nick Kelley Brandi Mathias Katie Matusewic Riley Olson Zachary Rusch Maria Seatz Isabella Seatz

#### **AWARDS**

The Cedarburg Fire Department held our annual Awards and Recognition program on September 11, 2021 to recognize member accomplishments from 2020. We turned it into a special outdoor event at City Park, including lunch, provided by the Cedarburg Lion's Club and live music performed by the Milwaukee Tool Band.

A presentation of colors flag ceremony by the American Legion Peter Wollner Post of Cedarburg was very memorable to commemorate 9/11 on its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Singing acapella, the National Anthem was performed by a member of the Milwaukee Tool Band.

It was a great afternoon to give members awards for service and special recognition and to say **THANK YOU** to not only all of our volunteer members, but also to their families who support them and the department as well.



The **50** year award is presented to a member that truly gives 50 years of continuous service to the department and our community. **Mark Roberts** joined the department on August 4, 1971. He was an active firefighter for 25 years before transferring to Passive status. Early in his career, he completed his basic firefighting course and advanced first aid. He was known as one of the Doerr Electric crew for daytime calls. Mark has rarely missed a department meeting or a fundraising event at Firemen's Park during his fifty years in the department. He can recall anything you want to know about the days of the stock races at the Park and/or the Music Festivals. These days, when Mark is not working at Lasata, he is here to lend a hand at the station, whether it be to keep the flowers looking good out front, or to regularly clean the station – he takes pride in his work and in the department!





## **AWARDS** (continued)

The following service awards were also presented at the Awards Picnic in September to both honorary and active members:

30 years: 20 years: 10 years:

Suzanne Ernst Grant Witte Stacy Cooke

William Esselmann

Blake Karnitz Kelly LaPorta

Randy Tews

25 years: 15 years of service: Alexandra Neuman

Henry Beyer Andy Heidtke Stacy Seatz

Elke Hoffmann Christopher Hoerz

Steven Stauske Peter Pautz

Douglas Campbell Matt Petrarca 5 years of service:

Labor Claricas Dennis Grulkowski

John Glorioso

Philip Jung

Dave Schwantes

Dave Goggin

Brian Vahsholtz

John Schrader

A.J. Hester

Diana Klingler

Robert Mathias

Jennifer Haraway Nichole Zarling Jeff Nelson
Jason Peterson

#### First Responder of the Year Awards:

The following members were recognized during the Awards Picnic for responding to the most calls for the year prior (2020) in 3 categories: Fire, Rescue, and Total Overall (both fire and rescue)

#### In 2020:

- Nick Janous responded to 98 fire calls.
- Lindsay Landers responded to 268 rescue calls.
- Suzanne Ernst responded to 354 total calls for both fire and rescue

Nick Janous and Sue Ernst shown below with First Responder recognition plaque.



### Fire Apparatus 2021

In 2021, the department took delivery of a **2021 Chevrolet Traverse** to be utilized as a **First Response Car (156).** This vehicle was purchased to help EMS crews provide faster patient care with a quick response from a first responder before the ambulance arrives. The vehicle has an AED, oxygen and a medical bag on board. **Purchase price:** 



All fire apparatus shown here and on the next several pages was donated to the residents of Cedarburg by Cedarburg Firemen's Park Inc. No tax payer dollars were spent to purchase apparatus.

#### **ENGINE 163**



## Engine 163 is the first due engine out of Station 1.

Purchase price: \$685,000

#### **Specifications include:**

- 2016 Pierce Quantum 6-person chassis
- 500 hp DD13 Detroit Diesel engine
- Allison automatic transmission
- 1500 GPM Pierce PUC pump
- 1,000 gallon water tank
- 25 gallon Class A foam tank
- 20 kW Harrison hydraulic generator

## Fire Apparatus 2021(continued)

Engine 161 is the second due engine out of Station 1.

Purchase price: \$460,000

#### **Specifications include:**

- 2004 Pierce Quantum 6-person chassis
- 515 hp Detroit Diesel engine
- Allison automatic transmission
- 1500 GPM Waterous pump
- 1,000 gallon water tank
- 25 gallon Class A foam tank
- 15 kW PTO driven generator

#### **ENGINE 161**



#### TENDER 164



Tender 164 is third due out of Station 1 for rural fire calls.

Purchase Price: \$500,000

#### **Specifications include:**

- 2020 Kenworth T880, 2-person chassis
- 600 hp Cummins X15 engine
- Allison automatic transmission
- 1500 GPM Waterous pump
- 3,000 Gallon water tank
- (2) 3,000 Gallon portable water tanks

## Fire Apparatus 2021 (continued)

**Ladder Tower 159** was the first aerial platform in Ozaukee County. It has the ability to operate with up to 800lbs of weight at the tip and can operate at an elevation of 5 degrees below the level of the truck. The aerial platform also has a "pre-piped" waterway which allows the apparatus to be quickly placed into operation as an elevated master stream, which can flow up to 1000 GPM of water. The truck was rebuilt in 2000, with the biggest change being an interlock safety ladder system.

Ladder Tower 159 is the third unit to respond out of Station 1 for city calls and the fourth

unit our for rural calls.

Purchase price: \$500,000



#### Specifications include:

- 1988 Pierce Arrow 7-person chassis
- 475 hp Detroit Diesel engine
- Allison automatic transmission
- 1500 GPM Waterous pump (no on-board water tank)
- 105 ft. aerial platform
- 12 kW generator

## **TOWER 159**

#### **ENGINE 162**



## Engine 162 responds out of Station 2, located in the Town of Cedarburg.

It's primary purpose at rural fire scenes is to draft from a portable folding tank or other static water source, and supply water to the incident.

Purchase price: \$560,000 Specifications include:

- 2009 Pierce Quantum 6-person chassis
- 525 hp Detroit Diesel engine
- Allison automatic transmission
- 1500 GPM Pierce PUC Pump
- 1,000 gallon water tank
- 25 gallon Class A foam tank
- 20 kW PTO driven generator

## **Rescue Apparatus 2021**

**Ambulance 151 and 152** both respond out of Station 1. Running roughly three quarters of CFD's calls annually, they provide Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and patient transport to area hospitals.

Purchase price: \$204,000 each

#### Specifications include:

- 2012 Kenworth T270 chassis
- PX6 Paccar Diesel engine
- Allison automatic transmission
- Medtec ambulance module

#### **AMBULANCES 151 and 152**





#### **SQUAD 153**

Squad 153 is the first due apparatus out of Station 1 for motor vehicle crashes, industrial accidents and carbon monoxide (CO) incidents.

Purchase price: \$500,000

#### Specifications include:

- 2006 Pierce Quantum 6-person chassis
- 425 hp Detroit Diesel engine
- Allison automatic transmission
- 19 ft. walk-through body with seating for 7
- 30 kW PTO driven generator
- (2) 20 ft. light towers (4.5 kW each)

### **Specialty Apparatus 2020**

**Brush Truck 158** responds out of Station 2, located in the Town of Cedarburg. Aside from brush fires, 158 has the capabilities to run as a first responder vehicle for EMS related incidents and also carries the needed equipment to respond to motor vehicle crashes.

Purchase price: \$110,000 Specifications include:

- 2006 GMC 5500 4x4 5-person chassis
- Duramax Diesel engine
- 250 GPM Darley pump
- 240 gallon water tank
- 5 gallon Class A foam tank





Brush Truck 157 is first to respond out of Station 1 for brush fires.

Purchase price: \$28,000

#### **Specifications include:**

- 1989 GMC 3500 1-ton 4x4 pickup truck
- 454 cubic inch fuel-injected V8 engine
- 135 GPM Darley pump
- 200 gallon water tank
- 5 gallon Class A foam tank

The Dive Trailer (shown above with 157) is a 1998 cargo trailer located at Station 1. It responds for all dive/water rescue incidents and any other situations deemed necessary by the Chief.

The trailer was donated in 2002 in memory of two first responder brothers who lost their lives on 9-11-2001.

Members of CFD designed and refurbished the trailer to meet the needs of the department. **Cost to refurbish: \$20,000** 

#### Ambulance Cart and Kubota purchased in 2017





**B.E.R.T.** (Bicycle Emergency Response Team) Used for EMT's to respond quickly and safely to rescue incidents in crowded areas of downtown.

## **Specialty Apparatus 2020 (continued)**



**Utility 155** (shown above) is a 2019 Chevy 2500HD 4x4 pick-up truck. It is primarily used to pull the Dive Trailer. It can also be utilized for school transport, scene support, or as a first responder vehicle. Purchase price: \$60,000

**Utility Truck 154** is a 2015 Chevrolet Tahoe 4x4. Utilized by the fire inspector, for training and for special events. Purchase price: \$51,000





Command Vehicle 156 is a 2013 Chevrolet Suburban 4x4. 156 is utilized by the on-duty Chief Officer. It has the capabilities to be set up as a command post for any incident.

Purchase price: \$80,000

#### **Antique Fire Equipment**

The Cedarburg Fire Department has a collection of five pieces of antique apparatus housed in the Station 3 museum. Always a favorite at the parades and shows!

 1907 horse-drawn Howe pumper along with a 1907 man-drawn hose cart. Picture shown below.



- **1928 Pirsch pumper. Picture (top) above.** Originally purchased new by CFD and then purchased back from other owners and restored.
- 1924 Graham/Dodge pumper. Picture (bottom) above. The first motorized fire truck in the department. Both pumpers are still driveable.
- 1956 FWD (now Seagrave Fire Apparatus) Geesink Ladder Truck. The 85-foot unit was purchased in May 1957. In March 1976 it was empowered with a Detroit G-71 diesel engine. In the spring of 1978, the body and ladder was repainted and refurbished to include an enclosed cab. Original purchase price: \$35,000 In 2002, CFD purchased it back from Bristol FD for \$5,107



# FIRE/EMS STANDBY Cedarburg Festivals and Other Events

**Cedarburg Festivals** have always been a very important part of the community, with thousands of people attending from surrounding cities and towns, as well as states!

In 2021, the festivals and other activities in Cedarburg started to come back by summertime, as restrictions from Covid-19 started to change. The July 4<sup>th</sup> parade brought many people out to celebrate and enjoy the parade and fireworks. Country in the Burg expanded into a 2-day weekend event. And the County Fair brought back musical performances, grandstand events and daily activities. It wasn't until September when the first major festival, Wine & Harvest, was held in Cedarburg bringing in people from surrounding areas on a beautiful warm weekend.

CFD volunteer members were ready and on stand-by for the following events during the year:

- Parade and Fireworks (July 4<sup>th</sup>)
- Rotary Music Festival (August 8<sup>th</sup>)
- Country in the Burg (August 27th & 28<sup>th</sup>)
- County Fair (July 28 thru August 1<sup>st</sup>)
- Wine & Harvest Festival
- Christmas Parade (November 27<sup>th</sup> in Grafton)

In 2021, our EMS and Fire personnel logged over 2600 hours standing by ready to respond with our ambulance cart, Fire UTV and bicycle teams to quickly get through the festival crowds.



## Public Education and Community Outreach

Our Public Education activity was still impacted in 2021 as a result of COVID-19. As members' comfort levels with COVID-19 began to improve, it allowed us to have more station tours, fire education and rescue education programs at the firehouse. As community events started back up, we were able to make a presence in the community as well.

April 7<sup>th</sup> Firefighter Presentation/Visit with Girl Scout Troop
April 15<sup>th</sup> Firefighter Presentation/Visit with Boy Scout Troop
June 8<sup>th</sup> Tour of Fire Station with Thorson 2<sup>nd</sup> Graders

October 15<sup>th</sup> Fire Safety in the Home Presentation for 4K at Parkview Elementary

Other activities open to the public at the Fire Station included:

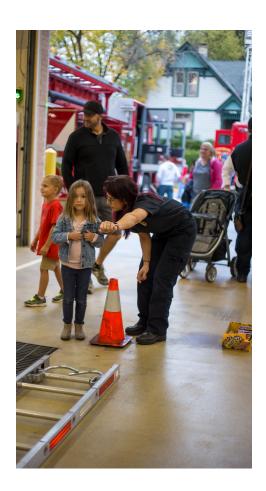
June 23<sup>rd</sup> Safety Town / Survive Alive House (3 sessions; 90 kids total) fire safety instruction for incoming kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> graders in 2021

Because of it's success in 2020, we held two drive thru/curbside pickup Brat Fry events at Firemen's Park in 2021. One in May and one in June - this service had become popular as the new "norm".

#### October 6<sup>th</sup> Open House at Station 1

This event included fun activities for community families, with over 30 volunteer members at the station to answer questions about the fire service, hand out fire prevention information and items for the kids. All fire and rescue emergency trucks were pulled out of the station for the public to see up close.





#### **Past to Present**

In 1866, the Cedarburg community had men with great vision that founded the Cedarburg Fire Department. The original members of the fire department, with help from other community members, took great pride in constructing their first firehouse. Members were required to donate work time and two (\$2) dollars each toward the construction costs of the firehouse. Masons Fred Asche and John Weber, with help from a master carpenter Mr. Voistehn, donated much of their time to building the structure.

Today, the building's owner is Stan Larson; and it is the present site for Downtown Dough located at W63N658 Washington Avenue. With Mr. Larson's vision and his wish to recognize the original firehouse, a dedication ceremony was held and the building now displays a plaque which speaks of the department's first Fire Chief Fred Schatz and his vision in 1866 to create a self-supporting fire company — a tradition that still endures today. By 1908, the department finally moved to its quarters to Mequon Avenue; known today as Station 3, a museum of antique apparatus and equipment, with plans to be renovated.



The dedication was held on June 11, 2021 (exactly 154 years to the date of the original firehouse meeting on June 11, 1867). Mr. Larson unveiled the customized plaque and presented a check for \$500 to the department, the original paid price for the property.



Rich Van Dinter, William Koeppen, Stan Larson and Chief Jeffrey Vahsholtz holding a gift to the fire department from Mr. Larson – framed original deed of the building and pictures from the June 11<sup>th</sup> dedication.

## Fire Safety Building Inspections

The difficulties that were faced with the pandemic in 2020 continued into early 2021. Due to rising concerns and new variants of COVID-19, inspections were again postponed for a portion of the year, as they were in 2020. 2021 saw the return of festivals, County Fair and Country in the Burg which added to our inspectors' workloads, all of which continued to be safe events due to the actions and direction of our inspectors, and cooperation with other agencies and City departments. The Bureau again encountered the use of tents and other structures, which presented additional fire and life safety concerns, by local establishments to aid in spreading out their patrons to keep them healthy. We wanted to be proactive and provided firm but fair direction to these businesses on their use of these "temporary structures" to ensure that fire and life safety codes were enforced and the businesses and their patrons were safe. The Inspection Bureau continued to endure and adapt and was able to complete a total of 763 inspections between the Town and City of Cedarburg. We are hopeful that things will begin to return to "normal" in 2022, and inspection totals will increase back to pre-pandemic totals. Even as call volumes rise, fire prevention and life safety are a top priority for the department, and the Inspection Bureau continues to ensure that our community and those that visit it are safe.

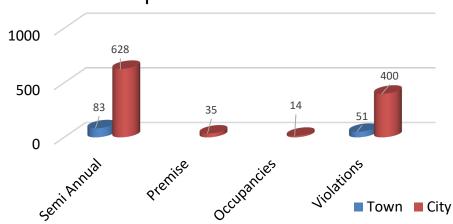


City Inspections:
Semi-annual: 628
Premise inspections: 35

New occupancies: 14 Violations found: 400

**Town Inspections:** 

Semi-annual: 83 Violations found: 51



Following the amount of new construction that had occurred in 2020, including the additions to the schools, 2021 may not have had the same quantity of building, but it was sizeable. A large new manufacturing building was built in the City's Highway 60 Business Park, and due to its size a considerable amount of time was dedicated to ensuring this building would be up to code. A considerable amount of time was also committed to testing of the systems installed in this building. The Bureau completed three (3) plan reviews, two (2) Sprinkler System reviews and one (1) Fire Alarm System review. There are many new building projects slated for 2022, so we are looking forward to another year of new and safe building.

#### **2021 DEPARTMENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

- We continued to work with the City/Town Ad Hoc Committee on a plan and a sustainability plan that would allow us to remain on our own without consolidation.
- We also continued to work with the nine Ozaukee County Fire Departments and administrators on what a possible consolidation would look like and its associated costs.
- We put together a working group that has started the process of looking into replacing our ambulances. They have made several trips to look at other department's ambulances and talk with the members of those departments to get feedback on their current ambulance.
- We recruited 12 new members into the department, further developed our mentorship program, and worked on retaining current members through training and leadership skills.



### **2022 DEPARTMENT GOALS**

- Reduce our EMS response times to help those in need.
- Start the process of creating our own Paramedic program.
- Continue to work on both a stand-alone program and a consolidation program to present to the City and Town for consideration.
- Continue to recruit and retain department members.

#### Cedarburg Fire Dept Rescue Squad Balance Sheet

As of December 31, 2021

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Current Assets
Checking/Savings

Commerce State Bank Receivables500.00Commerce State Bank MMA890,188.38Commerce State Bank Checking137.20

Total Checking/Savings 890,825.58

**Accounts Receivable** 

Andres Billing Accounts Rec 326,799.59
Accounts Rec EMS Billing 6,122.68
Total Accounts Receivable 332,922.27

Other Current Assets

Equipment Replacement Accounts 250,000.00

Total Other Current Assets 250,000.00

Total Current Assets 1,473,747.85

TOTAL ASSETS 1,473,747.85

#### **LIABILITIES & EQUITY**

Liabilities

**Current Liabilities** 

Other Current Liabilities

Truck Replacement Fund 1,048,290.61

Total Other Current Liabilities 1,048,290.61
Total Current Liabilities 1,048,290.61

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Equity

 Retained Earnings
 25,000.00

 Net Income
 400,457.24

Total Equity 425,457.24

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY 1,473,747.85

## Cedarburg Fire Department Balance Sheet

As of December 31, 2021

ASSETS  Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Commerce State Bank Checking	5,121.74
Commerce State Bank Money Mkt	50,004.21
Total Checking/Savings	55,125.98
Total Current Assets	55,125.98
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TOTAL ASSETS	55,125.98
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
Explorers Account	5,122.84
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Total Other Current Liabilities	5,122.84
Total Current Liabilities	5,122.84
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Total Liabilities	5,122.84
Equity	
Retained Earnings	50,000.00
Net Income	3.14
Total Equity	50,003.14
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>55,125.98</u>