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TO: Springfield Twp. Trustees

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RE: Quarterly briefing, 2nd qtr 2016 (April-June)

1. Run volume & patterns: 463 runs 2nd qtr 2016 (953 runs Y-T-D, at end of 2nd qtr) >>>> comparison >> 4% Y-T-D increase over 2015, 10% over 2014 Y-T-D

Major incidents/Trends:

- a) Shooting suicide at Cinema 14
- b) Several more heroin overdoses
- c) Grass fires: Six in 2nd qtr, much higher than normal, poss, due to dryer than normal spring
- d) Elderly population: Working with Adult Protective Services on several incidents, incl. frequent calls to Landings Ct. address (20+ in 18 mo's.), Ferguson Rd. residence for elderly abandonment and/or abuse.
- e) Increase in walk-in emergencies to stations, esp. #2
- f) Continued increase in squad mutual aid w/ City of Mansfield; increase in calls to Madison

2. Station maintenance:

- a) Began disposal of 4,700 ft. of outdated fire hose
- b) Annual fire alarm system inspections & maintenance
- c) New a/c in #2 station computer room

3. <u>Vehicle maintenance, major</u>:

- a) Ladder 23 aerial cert. test; minor repairs by Don to obtain certification
- b) All cots & stair-chairs rec'd 6 mo. maint. inspections; all defibrillators & AED's rec'd annual insp and maintenance. Annual maintenance to Holmatro Rescue tools also 2nd qtr.
- c) All vehicles underbody washed early spring
- d) Sq-23 brake work at \$1,800
- e) Ladder 23 waterway seals replaced by Don, saving STFD thousand\$

New equipment status:

- a) Ballistic vests & related violent incident equip rec'd in May and immed. put in service
- b) Mobile laptop computers placed in service on squads, using new ESO reporting software; completion time on EMS reports improving.
- c) Passenger side display & controls installed on Eng 22, huge benefit

4. Personnel:

- a) Resignations: None actually in 2nd qtr; FF Hoffer began 6 mo. Leave of Absence 4/1
- New employees: Part-time FF's Joe Line (4/1), Jon Brown (5/23) and Justin Brant (6/20)
- c) Capt. Krock on 40 hr week 6/13 in new Administrative Capt. position

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- d) FF Gast short injury leave from hose testing accident 4/29
- e) Instituted process for part-time to work over 1500 hrs. with waiver (Daugherty, Smith)

5. Training:

- a) Subjects: Annual CPR and EMS skills; self-defense training by outside instructor.
- b) Outside/Other classes: Vol. FF Hunter Shifley completed Paramedic course in June; FDIC in Indianapolis attended by Conn, Morse

6. Inspection Bureau:

- a) Continued monitoring of Avita hospital project, student housing at Buckeye Village
- b) Opening of Hobby Town building; site plan reviews for new Ohio Health Emergency Room, and IHOP restaurant.
- c) Several PR events by Lt. Mullins and duty crews

7. <u>Other</u>:

- a) Board began process into looking into hiring an outside consulting firm to help plan for the future of STFD.
- b) EMS billing company transition from Med3000 to AMB (Ambulance Medical Billing). Is going smoothly