

**HOT SPRINGS FIRE
DEPARTMENT
JAN & FEB 2021**



FROM FIRE CHIEF DAVIS

January 2021 started off with a major fire loss save at the Hampton Inn at 151 Temperance Hill. This fire was difficult to locate – although the building is sprinkled – this fire was in the outside walls of the structure. The firefighters had to open up several outside walls to locate the source (see photo above). This is the kind of fire where the Thermal Imaging Camera is one of the most valuable pieces of equipment we own. They were able to locate the fire and extinguish it before causing massive damage. This structure is valued at \$2,730,000. We estimate with our firefighting efforts – there was only about \$50,000 worth of damage. Very proud of our department for saving this building.

We conducted School Inspections & Oaklawn Inspections before they both opened for the new year.

We had Chief Officers & Shift Meetings to start off the new year. Several topics were discussed - harassment in the work place , code of citizen service, worker's comp, special operations teams, new hire's, recruitment and promotions.

February 2021 ended up being an eventful month with 10+ days of winter weather. We responded to several (152 calls) in a span of 7 days! A majority of those were calls to assist the City Utilities with various water problems throughout the city. We also had a couple of minor structure fires that week – thankfully the rest of the month was somewhat uneventful. We are very grateful that there were not widespread power outages with this winter storm – sprinkler systems & residents water pipes bursting was plenty to deal with!

We are looking forward to hopefully getting back to a normal March!

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Fire Prevention Bureau

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Years in Service

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FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU

FIRE MARSHAL, TOM BRAUGHON

Photo to left: HSFD was presented a certificate of honor for properly flying the United States Flag from the Elks Hot Springs Lodge 380.

The Fire Prevention Bureau conducted 72 inspections for January & 14 for February – every January all the Hot Springs Schools and Oaklawn Barns are inspected before they re-open. We also inspected all the buildings at Hillcrest Children’s Home & First Step. There were 6 Certificate of Occupancies– Hot Springs Esport, Oaklawn Center on Aging, Radius Aerospace, Mtn. Valley Armory, Central Theatre, & All Children’s Academy.

January – preparations were made to start back normal operations: plug flushing, pre-fire plans and preparing specifications for several special projects in our 2021 Budget. February – meetings with committees, special operations teams & dealing with winter storm issues.

TRAINING DIVISION

TRAINING OFFICER, TY FARRIS

Photo to left: Haz-Mat training consisted of pressure testing Haz-Mat Suites. This is conducted every year to maintain their certification.

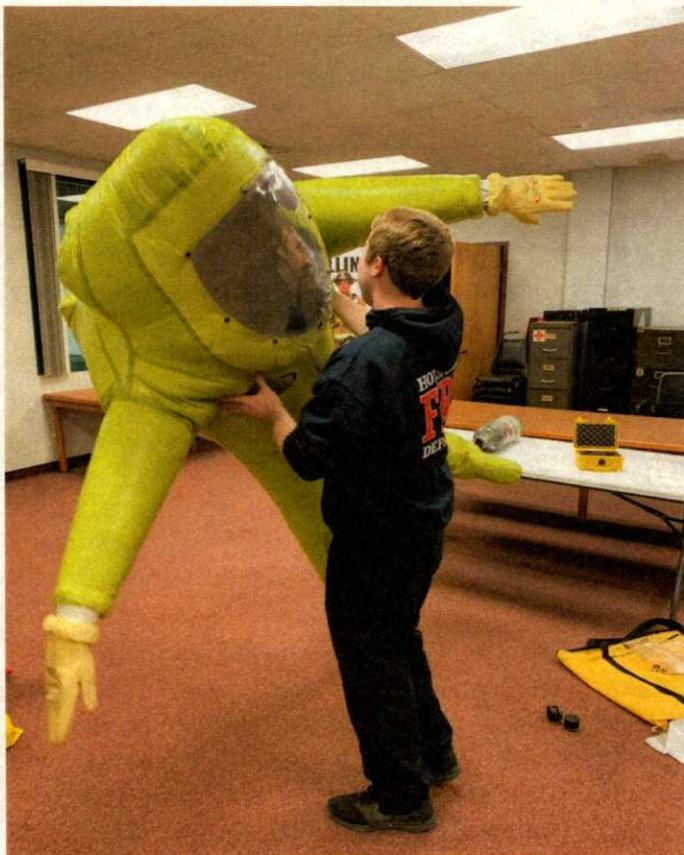
January training included:

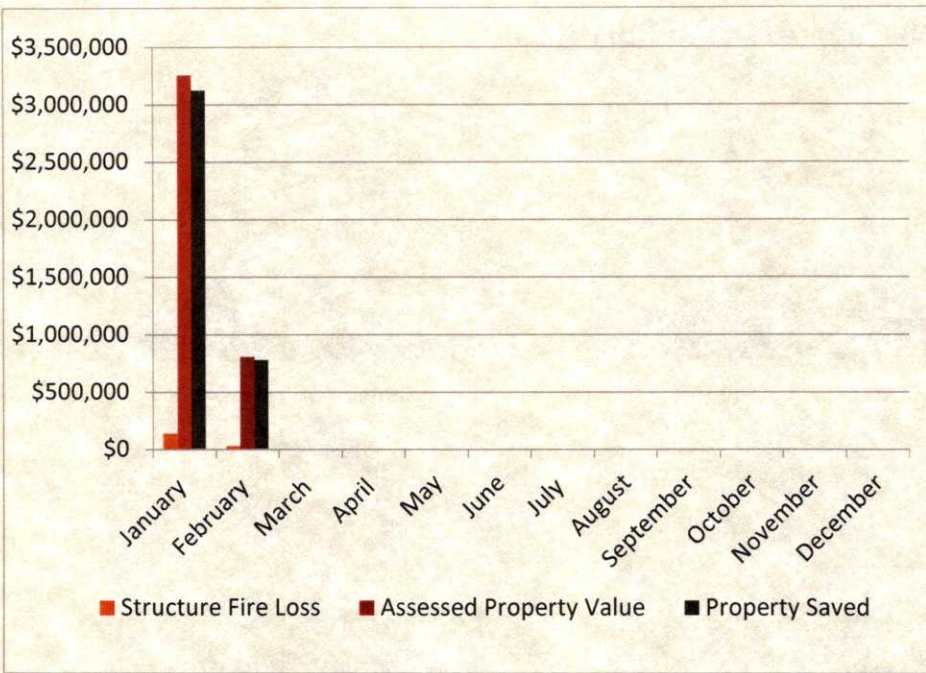
- CPR recertification for all personnel
- May Day/RIT training at the Training Grounds
- Coordinated Community Covid Vaccine Clinics

February training included:

- Rapid Intervention Teams & the retrieval of downed firefighters after calling for a Mayday
- Firefighter Recruit Orientation for three new hires to prepare to Arkansas Fire Training Academy attendance in March/April

Other activities included working on 2021 purchases: turnouts and first aid supplies.





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STRUCTURE FIRES

Structure fire loss through February 2021: \$164,370

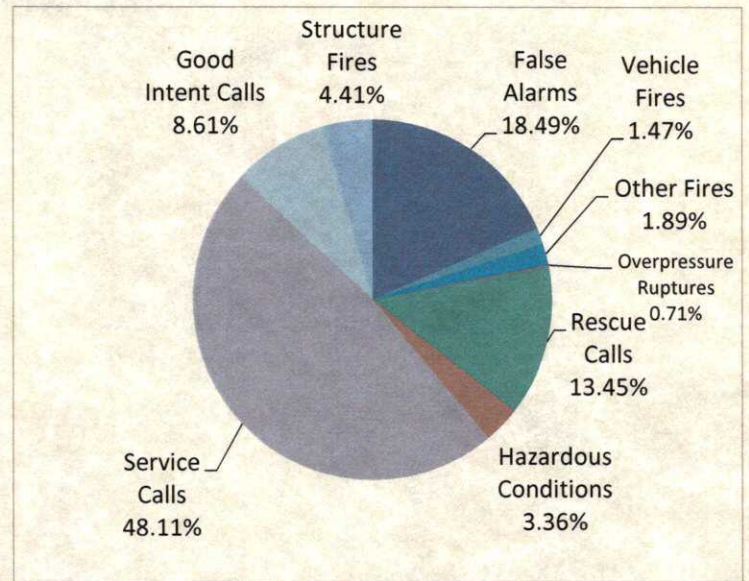
Total Property Saved through February 2021: \$3,893,470

Average response time to structure fires through 2021: 3:53

MONTHLY INCIDENT COUNTS



JAN/FEB SITUATION FOUND



COMPANY RESPONSES: JAN/FEB 2021

