

Ridings explained that changes in the district's territory and emergency communication system preclude comparison to last year's call statistics; but call activity seems to be trending about the same for the area.

Ridings added that information captured by the new communication system may allow for even more details such as EMS success rates and response times, and provide more accurate comparisons. Training remains a top priority. The district recently completed a basic wildland firefighter class, plans to conduct a drivers' academy soon and intends to send staff to the country's top training facility, the Nassau County Fire Service Academy, in the fall.

Fire risk unchanged

Burns stated that the district remains in Stage 2 fire restriction status.

Burns added that Administrative Assistant Stacey Popovich had been deployed to the Spring Fire in Colorado, and has returned. A four-firefighter crew and an engine had been deployed to a California fire and would most likely return the week of July 23.

Financial information postponed

Due to Popovich's absence, the June financial report was unavailable. Note: Because corrections to the May financial report were to be presented, Wescott's August board meeting is expected to include financial reports for May, June, and July.

The board adjourned

at 8:30 p.m.

The next DWFPD Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for Aug. 21, 7 p.m. at Station 1, 15415 Gleneagle Drive. Please call (719) 488-8680, a non-emergency number, for more information, or visit www.wescottfire.org.

The district is also on Facebook and Twitter. Grateful thanks to Lisa Hatfield for recording this meeting and taking notes.

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Tri-Lakes Monument Fire Protection District, July 25

Board forms committee to keep in touch with Wescott

By Allison Robenstein

At its July 25 meeting, the Tri-Lakes Monument Fire Protection District (TLMFPD) board formed a committee to discuss possible consolidation with Donald Wescott Fire Protection District (DWFPD) and heard an update on ways to support the area served by the

Palmer Lake Volunteer Fire District (PLVFD).

Vice President Roger Lance and President Jake Shirk were excused.

Wescott discussions

On July 10, DWFPD's board voted to form a committee of two board members and a chief to explore consolidation

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