



## REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

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**MEETING DATE:** February 22, 2022

**PREPARED BY:** Tim Bush – Fire Chief

**AGENDA ITEM:** Swearing-in of Paid-on-Call Firefighters

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**PREVIOUS ACTIONS:**

1/4/21 and 6/7/2021 Introduction and swearing-in of Paid-on-Call Firefighters completing probation

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**RECOMMENDED COUNCIL ACTION:**

Introduction by the Fire Chief and Swearing-in by Mayor Steffenson of newest Paid-on-Call Firefighters completing probation.

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**COMMENTS:**

Maple Grove uses an extensive hiring process to find and bring on-board individuals who serve the community as firefighters. Most attend the West Suburban Fire Academy, complete Minnesota Fire Service Certification Board (MFSCB) testing and earn nationally recognized Firefighter I, Firefighter II, and Hazardous Materials Operations level certification.

New firefighters complete an 18-month probationary period during which they must complete training to become certified Emergency Medical Responders recognized through the Minnesota Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board (some continue on to become nationally registered Emergency Medical Technicians and even Paramedics). Maple Grove firefighters are also required to complete MFSCB testing to earn Fire Apparatus Operator certification.

Firefighters serve our community's residents and businesses to make Maple Grove as fire safe as possible. The Maple Grove Fire Department would like to introduce the most recent paid-on-call firefighters completing their initial firefighter probation - Dylan Benoit, Ryan Habeger, Brittney Knight, Sheila Manelli, Nick Northrup, Brandon Scheunemann, Aditi Seger, and Lori Thomas.

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment A: Maple Grove Fire Department Class of 2020