

# Nederland Fire Protection District

*Fire Marshal Board Report – May 2026*



## Permits & Inspections:

Plan reviews and inspections are back in full swing; we are averaging a new permit every day so far this month.

## Compliance & Investigations:

**Nothing new to report with West Wing Community Center or PO.**

### **Peakview Fire –**

Nederland Fire Protection District responded to a Fire Assist call at a residence on Peakview Drive in Nederland after a report of a small garage fire. The responding crew confirmed the fire was fully extinguished and requested additional response from Chief Schmidtman and Fire Marshal Joslin to begin an origin-and-cause investigation.

At this time, the fire appears to be accidental in nature and consistent with improper handling and disposal of oil-soaked rags used during contracting work at the home. The Boulder County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) issued a summons for 4<sup>th</sup> degree arson to one of the workers.

The investigation remains ongoing, and we will not be releasing identifying information about involved parties or additional investigative details while the origin-and-cause process is being completed.

## Projects:

### **IT –**

Reconfigured the existing in-station alerting to work with the updated frequencies and methodology updates from BCSO dispatch. This took quite a while to get the legacy hardware to work with the updates – required the use of serial, Windows XP, and even dip switches. I compiled a how-to guide to make it easier to make updates in the future and make the learning curve more manageable.

### **Public Outreach –**

#### **Address and Street Signs -**

Initial address sign campaign was a success, big thanks to all of those involved including Sherry, Boulder Watershed Collective, and the Ned Fire Auxiliary. We've begun planning the installations and will continue to take orders throughout the summer.

#### **Town Fire Code Adoption -**

Worked with Town staff and attorney to finalize the amendments and adoption of the 2024 IFC in the Town of Nederland. The amendments will mirror the District's adoption – the first reading at the BOT has been completed and we expect it to get signed into ordinance at the next BOT meeting.

### **Training –**

Completed FI-210 Wildfire Origin and Cause Determination, in Missoula, MT. It was an amazing course, and I have since opened an INVF task book.

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