



**MINUTES
CITY OF LAUREL
EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMITTEE
MONDAY, JUNE 22, 2026**

The Emergency Services Committee meeting was called to order at 6 pm on June 22, 2026, by Chair Jodi Mackay

Members Present: Jodi Mackay - Chair, Irv Wilke – Vice Chair, Sara Naylor, Bruce McGee, Jamie Swecker, Shane LaCasse

Others Present: Police Chief Jarred Anglin, Fire Chief JW Hopper

Public Input: Two members of the public expressed appreciation for the committee

General Items:

1. Approval of the Minutes from 5/26/2026. Irv made motion to approve, Sara seconded.
Motion carried 6 - 0
2. Update from Emergency Departments
Fire Department
See report
4th of July discussion – park on lock down – following NFPA standards for safety
School opening bleachers for viewing
FD was asked to communicate park closure and other viewing locations to public

Police Department
See report
Presented 40 mm launcher to committee

Ambulance Department
Absent

New Business:

Old Business:

Other Items:

Announcements: Next meeting will be Monday, July 27, 2026, 6 pm in Council Chambers

Adjourn at 6:37 pm



LAUREL FIRE DEPARTMENT

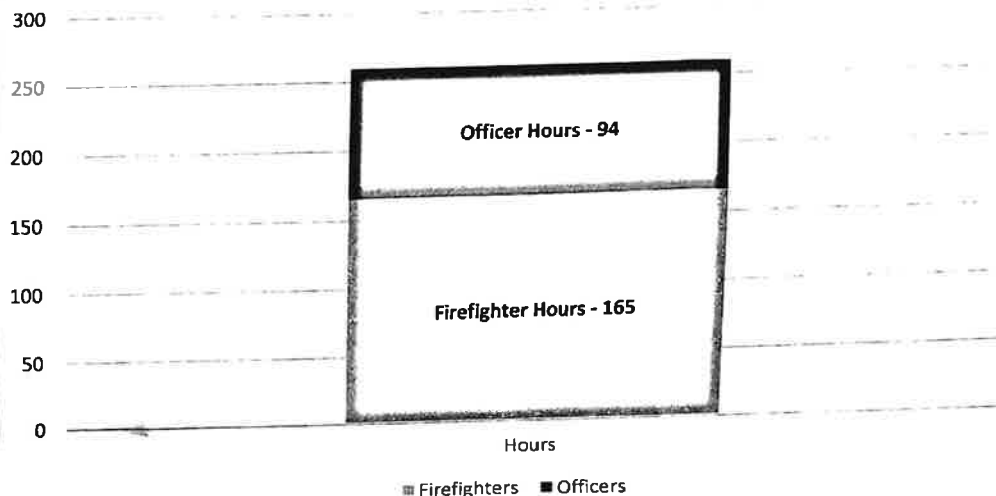
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Emergency Services Meeting 5/26/2026 – 6/22/2026

Calls (5/26/2026 – 6/22/2026)

- Responded to 24 Total Calls

Total Hours on Call - 259



- Training Hours – 1250 HRS YTD

Training

- Officer Training
- Apparatus Maintenance
- SAR (Search & Rescue)

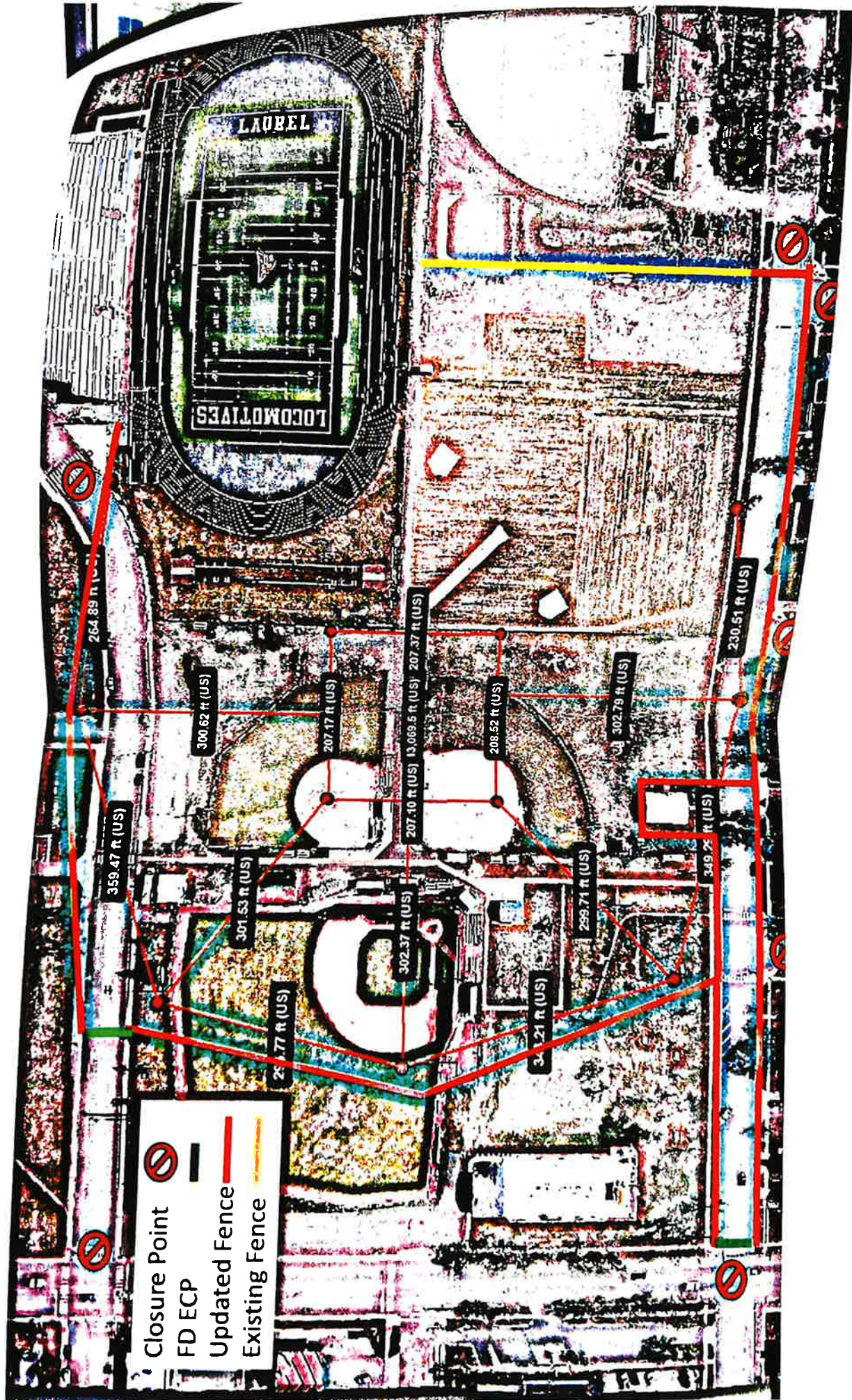
Rookie School Training

- SAR (Search & Rescue)
- Rope Training
- Water Rescue Training

Department News

- Current Numbers
 - 29 Members
 - 3 firefighters in rookie school
 - 4 applications so far for next interviews in September.
- DNRC Staffing
 - Staffing has not started yet.

- Misc.-
 - CHS Personnel
 - Doug Fox – Operations Trainer (Firefighter)
 - Travis Nagel – Zone E Operator (Assistant Chief)
 - Henery Fox – Zone A DCS Operator (Operations captain)
 - Landen Gradwohl – Temporary Employee T&S (Firefighter)
 - John Herr JR – Temporary Employee T&S (Firefighter)
 - District Contracts
 - Submitted to Cit Council.
 - Billing Policy
 - I have a draft to submit to Mayor and City Attorney.
 - Bunker Gear
 - Saving \$6K on 5 sets of gear.
 - Kenetrek Boots
 - Half Price
 - B4 & B5
 - New Seat Covers
 - Reflective Striping
 - Montana State Fire Fighter Memorial
 - Run and Memorial went well.
 - Thanks for all the help!
 - Grants
 - Lowe's
 - Firehouse Sub's
 - DNRC
 - Fourth of July
 - Park will be locked and secure.
 - See attached map.





LAUREL POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Chief of Police Jarred Anglin

Emergency Services Report May 26, 2026 – June 22, 2026

The FAP has responded to **792 calls for service** during the reporting period of **May 26, 2026 through June 22, 2026**.

Year-to-date, the FAP has responded to **4,588 calls for service**, compared to **4,583 calls for service** during the same period in 2025. This represents an increase of **5 calls for service** over the same reporting period last year.

Law Enforcement Activity

During this reporting period, the Laurel Police Department documented **82 reported crimes**. Of those cases:

- **10 arrests** were made.
- **47 citations** were issued.
- **19 cases** were closed with no charges filed.
- The remaining cases are still under investigation.

The department continues to provide law enforcement services, investigate criminal activity, and respond to calls for service throughout the community.

Equipment and Technology

The Laurel Police Department has transitioned to the CloudGavel electronic warrant system and is working with the Billings Police Department and Yellowstone County Sheriff's Office as the region moves toward implementation. Staff has already begun ongoing training and onboarding in preparation for the July 1 transition date.

CloudGavel will replace the department's current use of SecureWarrant and is intended to provide a more streamlined and efficient warrant process between law enforcement agencies,

attorneys, and the courts. The transition is also expected to reduce annual costs to the department.

In previous Emergency Services Reports, I discussed concerns regarding the department's inability to effectively communicate with neighboring agencies due to radio interoperability limitations, as well as the significant cost associated with replacing the department's radio equipment.

The department has identified a cost-effective solution that will address these interoperability issues without requiring a complete radio system replacement. The proposed solution involves adding a new key to the department's existing radios. Testing has already been completed on one portable radio and the dispatch center radio, both of which successfully accepted the new key and now have trunking capabilities.

Once fully implemented, officers will be able to communicate more effectively with neighboring agencies and should have connectivity with additional agencies throughout the state. The estimated cost of the project is approximately **\$15,000 to \$20,000**, although the department is still awaiting a final quote. This solution provides a substantial cost savings when compared to replacing the entire radio system while significantly improving communications capabilities.

The department's **40mm launcher** has also been received. The department will be sending an officer to the required training so the launcher can be placed into service. Once training is completed, the 40mm launcher will be assigned to a patrol vehicle, providing officers with an additional less-lethal option for responding to critical incidents.

Upcoming Events

The **Palace Bar Street Dance** will be held on July 3rd. The Laurel Police Department will have **two officers assigned inside the fenced event area** to assist with security and public safety throughout the evening.

In years past, this event has been well attended and has generally gone smoothly with few issues. In addition to the officers assigned to the event, officers will remain on patrol throughout the city to ensure continued law enforcement coverage and response to calls for service.

July 4th Fireworks Display

The City of Laurel's July 4th fireworks display will feature a new layout this year. At this point, it is difficult to predict how the changes may affect traffic flow, parking, and crowd movement during and after the event.

Due to the large crowds and increased call volume experienced during recent Fourth of July celebrations, the Laurel Police Department will have multiple officers working overtime assignments to assist with traffic control, crowd management, and public safety. Additional

staffing will help ensure adequate coverage at the event while maintaining patrol services throughout the city.

For reference, between the July 3rd Street Dance and July 4th celebrations last year, the **FAP Department responded to 141 calls for service**, highlighting the increased demand placed on emergency services during the holiday period.

Closing

As we move into the busy Fourth of July holiday period, I would like to thank the members of the Laurel Police Department, Laurel Volunteer Fire Department, Laurel EMS, dispatch staff, and our partner agencies for their continued dedication and service to the community. The upcoming holiday events will require additional staffing and coordination, and I appreciate the willingness of our personnel to work overtime and adjust schedules to help ensure the safety of our residents and visitors.

The Laurel Police Department remains committed to providing professional law enforcement services while continuing to seek opportunities to improve equipment, technology, training, and overall public safety for the City of Laurel.

Chief Anglin



Laurel Police Department

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Total Calls Emergency Services

Printed on June 22, 2026

Code : Description	Totals	
10-15 : With Prisoner	0	0
: Abandoned Vehicle	8	8
: Agency Assist	55	55
: Alarm - Burglary	9	9
: Alarm - Fire	1	1
AMB : Ambulance	95	95
: Animal Complaint	9	9
: Area Check	3	3
: Assault	5	5
: Bad Checks	0	0
: Barking Dog	2	2
: Bomb Threat	0	0
: Burglary	1	1
: Child Abuse/Neglect	7	7
: Civil Complaint	11	11
: Code Enforcement Violation	8	8
: Community Integrated Health	0	0
: Counterfeiting	0	0
: Criminal Mischief	6	6
: Criminal Trespass	2	2
: Cruelty to Animals	6	6
: Curfew Violation	26	26
: Discharge Firearm	1	1
: Disorderly Conduct	5	5
: Dog at Large	30	30
: Dog Bite	2	2
DUI : DUI Driver	7	7
: Duplicate Call	6	6
: Escape	0	0
: Family Disturbance	13	13
: Fight	4	4
FIRE : Fire or Smoke	12	12
: Fireworks	0	0
: Forgery	0	0
: Found Property	12	12
: Fraud	3	3
: Harassment	1	1
: Hit & Run	4	4
: ICAC	0	0

Code : Description	Totals	
: Identity Theft	0	0
: Indecent Exposure	1	1
: Insecure Premises	3	3
: Intoxicated Pedestrian	2	2
: Kidnapping	0	0
: Littering	0	0
: Loitering	1	1
: Lost or Stray Animal	7	7
: Lost Property	2	2
: Mental Health	7	7
: Missing Person	0	0
: Noise Complaint	5	5
: Open Container	0	0
: Order of Protection Violation	4	4
: Parking Complaint	18	18
: Possession of Alcohol	0	0
: Possession of Drugs	0	0
: Possession of Tobacco	0	0
: Privacy in Communications	1	1
: Prowler	0	0
: Public Assist	45	45
: Public Safety Complaint	17	17
: Public Works Call	12	12
: Report Not Needed	4	4
: Robbery	0	0
: Runaway Juvenile	4	4
: Sexual Assault	0	0
: Suicide	0	0
: Suicide - Attempt	1	1
: Suicide - Threat	3	3
: Suspicious Activity	70	70
: Suspicious Person	16	16
: Theft	11	11
: Threats	9	9
: Tow Call	3	3
: Traffic Accident	12	12
: Traffic Hazard	10	10
: Traffic Incident	15	15
: TRO Violation	0	0
: Truancy	0	0
T/S : Traffic Stop	118	118
: Unattended Death	1	1
: Unknown - Converted	0	0
: Unlawful Transactions w/Minors	0	0
: Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle	0	0
: Vicious Dog	1	1

Code : Description

Totals

: Warrant	13	13
: Welfare Check	22	22
Totals	792	792