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## DEPARTMENT OF FIRE AND EMS PROMOTES THREE MEMBERS

WESTERN SPRINGS, IL. October 15, 2020 - On October 12, 2020, the Western Springs Department of Fire and EMS promoted three of its members.

**Captain Steve Smith-** Captain Smith was promoted from the position of Fire Lieutenant. Captain Smith has served the Western Springs Department of Fire and EMS for over 19 years with certifications including Advanced Technician Firefighter, Hazardous Materials Operations, Fire Apparatus Engineer, and Vehicle Machinery Operations. Captain Smith also serves as the personal protective equipment officer for the Department and oversees Fire Station #2. Captain Smith is an EMT-Basic and earned a Bachelor's Degree from the University of Maine.

**Lieutenant Stephanie Grimm-** Lieutenant Grimm is a 25 year fire service veteran who joined the Department as a paid-on-call member in 1995. Lieutenant Grimm currently is the Department's full-time Fire Marshal and coordinates the Fire Prevention Bureau. Lieutenant Grimm is also a licensed Paramedic and serves as the EMS Coordinator for the Department. Lieutenant Grimm has earned certifications as a Firefighter III, Company Fire Officer, Hazardous Materials Operations, Fire Apparatus Engineer, Trench Rescue Specialist, Advanced Fire Prevention Officer, and Fire Inspector II.

**Lieutenant Chris Langstaff-** Lieutenant Langstaff has over 8 years of service with the Department. Lieutenant Langstaff is an EMT-Basic and has an Associate's Degree in Fire Science. Lieutenant Langstaff has earned certifications as Firefighter II, Fire Apparatus Engineer, Hazardous Materials Technician, and Vehicle Machinery Operations. Lieutenant Langstaff is nearing completion of his Advanced Technician Firefighter certification.

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