

Monmouth Fire Department November Monthly Report

***December 21st, 2020
City Council Meeting***



Emergency Responses:

The Monmouth Fire Department utilizes fire reporting software approved by the United States Fire Administration and the Office of the Illinois State Fire Marshal. This software records fire department responses in over 90 categories to track fire department emergency response statistics. This information is used by the department to support decision-making for fire response planning. Tracking response data with approved software is also required for fire departments receiving Federal and State grant dollars.

The chart on the following page includes a brief summary for each of the nine main categories of incident types and the number of calls that were responded to in each category.

Responses	Monthly	YTD
<u>Fires</u>	02	27
Includes structure fires, fire in mobile property used as a fixed structure (mobile homes and campers), vehicle fires, vegetation fires, rubbish fires, and field fires. There may also be other types of fires that do not necessarily meet the definition of one of the subcategories in this category.		
<u>Overpressure, Rupture, Explosion, Overheat (without ensuing fire)</u>	01	04
Includes overpressure rupture of a steam pipe or pipeline, overpressure or rupture from air or gas pipe or pipeline, overpressure rupture from chemical reaction, explosion without resulting in fire, and overheat or scorching with no ignition.		
<u>Rescue and Emergency Medical Services</u>	107	733
Includes medical assists (majority of MFD calls in this category), vehicle accidents with injuries, vehicle/pedestrian accidents, lock-in (gaining access to a vehicle or other area where a patient is locked inside), search for a lost person, extrication (victims trapped in vehicle, elevator, trench, confined space, machinery), water and ice rescue, and electrocutions.		
<u>Hazardous Conditions (no fire)</u>	13	127
Includes combustible/flammable spills and leaks, chemical releases or toxic conditions, carbon monoxide incidents, power line down, electrical equipment problems, vehicle accidents with no injuries, incidents involving explosives and attempted arson.		
<u>Service Calls</u>	09	88
Includes people in distress (locked out of vehicle), water in basements or leaky hydrant, smoke or odor removal, animal rescue, provide police with assistance, smoke detector checks, and unauthorized burning.		
<u>Good Intent Calls</u>	04	48
Incidents where the fire department was dispatched and then cancelled while en-route to the call. Also includes calls where no emergency was found upon arrival. Incidents where steam was mistaken for smoke or smoke from a barbecue or other controlled fire was mistaken for an uncontrolled fire. Includes emergency medical calls when the patient had been transported prior to the arrival of emergency responders.		
<u>False Alarms and False Calls</u>	05	99
Includes false alarms that were malicious or mischievous in nature, bomb scares, alarm activation due to the system malfunctioning, and the accidental activation of the alarm system (example -burnt food).		
<u>Severe Weather and Natural Disaster</u>	00	00
Includes responses to severe weather and natural disasters to stand by, investigate, or to assess the damage to determine if any additional assistance is needed.		
<u>Other Type Incidents</u>	00	00
Includes citizen complaints concerning code or ordinance violations and any other incidents that may not fit any of the above categories.		
Total	141	1126

Staff Training:

November training for the fire department staff included the topics of Search and Rescue and Firefighting Tactics. All of the firefighters reviewed the different types of search and rescue techniques and discussed firefighting tactics for different types of fires.

Additional training for the month of November included emergency medical training on the subject of soft tissue trauma. All of the MFD staff reviewed the subject matter and also went over the procedures to care for patients who have suffered a soft tissue injury.

Non-Emergency Activities:

The fire department provided assistance to the Monmouth Roseville High School and Harding Elementary with conducting fire drills for all of the students.

Fire Code Items:

Chief Rexroat assisted Director Clark with an inspection for a business at 69 Public Square and also participated in a discussion with Monmouth College regarding possible work to be done to one of the dormitories.

Apparatus and Equipment Related Items:

The water primer pump on Engine 23 went bad and had to be replaced. Also on Engine 23, one of the front tires developed a leak and also had to be replaced.

Other:

Chief Rexroat continues to participate in the weekly conference call with the Warren County Health Department in regard to COVID-19. Also, in response to an increase in COVID related illnesses in Warren County, the fire department's plan was updated to increase cleaning in the stations and apparatus to prevent the spread of any illnesses.

Respectfully submitted,
Casey Rexroat, Fire Chief