

# Monmouth Fire Department

April Monthly Report

May 15th, 2023 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.

## **April Incidents**

Basic Incident Type Code And Description (FD1.21)	Total Incidents
Incident Type Category (FD1.21): 1 - Fire	
100 - Fire, other	1
111 - Building fire	1
131 - Passenger vehicle fire	1
151 - Outside rubbish, trash or waste fire	1
	Total: 4
Incident Type Category (FD1.21): 2 - Overpressure Rupture, Explosion, Overheat (No Fire	e)
200 - Overpressure rupture, explosion, overheat, other	1
	Total: 1
Incident Type Category (FD1.21): 3 - Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident	
311 - Medical assist, assist EMS crew	111
320 - Emergency medical service, other	2
322 - Motor vehicle accident with injuries	1
324 - Motor vehicle accident with no injuries.	1
	Total: 115
Incident Type Category (FD1.21): 4 - Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	
412 - Gas leak (natural gas or LPG)	1

Basic Incident Type Code And Description (FD1.21)	Total Incidents
444 - Power line down	4
463 - Vehicle accident, general cleanup	2
	Total: 7
Incident Type Category (FD1.21): 5 - Service Call	
500 - Service call, other	4
510 - Person in distress, other	1
553 - Public service	1
554 - Assist invalid	6
561 - Unauthorized burning	6
	Total: 18
Incident Type Category (FD1.21): 6 - Good Intent Call	
600 - Good intent call, other	3
611 - Dispatched and cancelled en route	3
622 - No incident found on arrival at dispatch address	8
671 - HazMat release investigation w/no HazMat	1
	Total: 15
Incident Type Category (FD1.21): 7 - False Alarm & False Call	
700 - False alarm or false call, other	2
715 - Local alarm system, malicious false alarm	1
732 - Extinguishing system activation due to malfunction	1
733 - Smoke detector activation due to malfunction	1
735 - Alarm system sounded due to malfunction	2
743 - Smoke detector activation, no fire - unintentional	5

Basic Incident Type Code And Description (FD1.21)	Total Incidents
744 - Detector activation, no fire - unintentional	2
745 - Alarm system activation, no fire - unintentional	3
746 - Carbon monoxide detector activation, no CO	1
	Total: 18
	Total: 178

**Total Number of Incidents Year to Date: 576** 

### **Staff Training:**

In April, the staff at MFD completed 51 total hours of training in various topics including; Mass Casualty Incidents, Assessing Patients with Major Trauma, Gunshot Wounds, and Engine Pump Operations.

Sergeant Bratcher from the PD presented information to the staff about active threat situations. Bratcher went over the different roles fire and police will have during an incident and the procedures responders are to follow during the emergency.

Firefighter Bemowski completed the Basic Firefighter/NFPA Firefighter I Academy at the Illinois Fire Service Institute in Champaign. The firefighter academy is 7 weeks long and provides extensive training which forms the baseline for firefighters to build off of throughout their career. Following the academy, Bemowski completed Vehicle Machinery Operations, a week long class that teaches firefighters about the tools and techniques used to rescue someone trapped in a vehicle.



#### **Non-Emergency Activities:**

The Monmouth Fire Department teamed up with the Monmouth Roseville High School to conduct a mock car crash to teach the students about the consequences of distracted driving and driving under the influence. Captain Craig Cozadd organized the event which involved many agencies and resources including the Monmouth PD, Warren County Coroner, Warren County States Attorney, Galesburg Hospital Ambulance Service, Berg's Towing, and the Life Flight Helicopter. The project has been in the works for several years and kept getting postponed due to COVID and the weather. This year the event was finally possible and went very well.



Assistant Chief Spears and Firefighter Tyler Osborn conducted a presentation to the Monmouth Roseville High School Forensics Class on the subject of fire investigations. After being requested to speak a year ago by Mr. Daw (forensics instructor), the firefighters were invited back for another presentation.

#### **Fire Code Items:**

Chief Rexroat assisted Director Clark with an occupancy inspection at Dollar General South.

#### Apparatus and Equipment Related Items:

The new turnout gear extractors and dryers have been purchased and installed in both of the fire stations. The equipment was purchased with funding from the FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant which paid for 95% of the cost. This equipment replaces the 20+ year old turnout gear extractor that was at Station II. With the replacement, the department now has a new extractor and dryer at each station that will save time and ensure the gear is being kept clean for the firefighters to use.

#### Other:

MFD presented Certificates of Appreciation to Berg's Towing and Mike Whitson of 1-800-BOARDUP.

For many years, Berg's Towing has supported the fire department by providing vehicles to be used during training evolutions and the mock car crash which was done in April. By having the vehicles, the firefighters are able to complete training as close as possible to the real thing to keep their skills sharp and ensure the tools are operating correctly. The staff at Bergs go out of their way to set the vehicles which sometimes is after normal business hours.



Mike Whitson is a retired firefighter from Galesburg who now works with 1-800-BOARDUP to assist victims of a fire. In addition to his duties, Mike provides support to the firefighters at an incident or during training events. Mike excels at his position and goes out of his way to ensure the firefighters are provided with food and drinks or anything else they need during an incident.



Respectfully submitted,

Casey Rexroat, Fire Chief