

The logo is a red Maltese cross with a white outline. The word "FIRE" is at the top, "EMERGENCY" is written vertically on the left and right arms, and "EST. 1855" and "MONMOUTH, IL." are at the bottom. In the center is a circular emblem with a fire hydrant and a fire engine.

***Monmouth Fire Department
February Monthly Report***

March 18th, 2024 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.

February 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 | 2 |
| | Total: 3 |
| Incident Type Category (FD1.21): 2 - Overpressure Rupture, Explosion, Overheat (No Fire) | |
| 251 - Excessive heat, scorch burns with no ignition | 1 |
| | Total: 1 |
| Incident Type Category (FD1.21): 3 - Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident | |
| 300 - Rescue, EMS incident, other | 2 |
| 311 - Medical assist, assist EMS crew | 96 |
| 320 - Emergency medical service, other | 1 |
| 324 - Motor vehicle accident with no injuries. | 3 |
| | Total: 102 |
| Incident Type Category (FD1.21): 4 - Hazardous Condition (No Fire) | |
| 412 - Gas leak (natural gas or LPG) | 3 |
| 444 - Power line down | 3 |
| 463 - Vehicle accident, general cleanup | 1 |

| Basic Incident Type Code And Description (FD1.21) | Total Incidents |
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| 480 - Attempted burning, illegal action, other | 2 |
| | Total: 9 |
| Incident Type Category (FD1.21): 5 - Service Call | |
| 500 - Service call, other | 1 |
| 531 - Smoke or odor removal | 1 |
| 550 - Public service assistance, other | 1 |
| 551 - Assist police or other governmental agency | 1 |
| 553 - Public service | 1 |
| 554 - Assist invalid | 4 |
| | Total: 9 |
| Incident Type Category (FD1.21): 6 - Good Intent Call | |
| 611 - Dispatched and cancelled en route | 1 |
| 622 - No incident found on arrival at dispatch address | 4 |
| | Total: 5 |
| Incident Type Category (FD1.21): 7 - False Alarm & False Call | |
| 700 - False alarm or false call, other | 5 |
| 735 - Alarm system sounded due to malfunction | 4 |
| 736 - CO detector activation due to malfunction | 1 |
| 745 - Alarm system activation, no fire - unintentional | 1 |
| | Total: 11 |
| | Total: 140 |

Total Number of Incidents Year to Date: 295

Staff Training:

During the month of February, the staff at the fire department completed 196 hours of combined training. The main topics of the training included Firefighter Mayday, Rapid Intervention Teams (RIT), Bloodborne Pathogens, and HIPAA Awareness. The Mayday training covers instances when a firefighter is lost/trapped, injured, or missing/unaccounted for. When firefighters call for a Mayday or otherwise need to be rescued, a RIT team is deployed. Members of the RIT are fire personnel dedicated to the team during an incident to search for and rescue firefighters if needed. The staff completed the training that included the procedures for calling a Mayday, receiving a Mayday, deployment of the RIT, and techniques used to rescue firefighters.

Assistant Chief Spears attended the annual MABAS Conference that was held in Bloomington. The MABAS Command Conference is held each year and offers many learning opportunities for fire personnel regarding new technology, lessons learned from other departments, and emerging trends. Following the conference, Spears attended the MABAS Executive Board meeting.

Chief Rexroat participated in training on the topic of safety at incidents involving buried pipelines. This training is done annually and includes information in regard to safety at incidents, the type of materials transported in pipelines, and what pipelines are in our area. The training also provides area responders with the opportunity to speak with representatives of the companies who own the pipelines in the area.

Firefighter Osborn provided CPR training to the fire department staff to renew all of the firefighters' CPR certifications. Firefighter Osborn is a Certified CPR Instructor and provides the training on different days while the firefighters are on duty.

Non-Emergency Activities:

All of the firefighters completed the annual mask fit testing and medical evaluations required by OSHA. This is part of the fire departments annual Respiratory Protection Plan that requires firefighters to be tested annually to ensure they are wearing the appropriate sized respirator mask. In addition, the firefighters must undergo a basic medical evaluation to ensure they are physically capable of wearing the respirator.

Chief Rexroat and Assistant Chief Cozadd met with the Safety Committee and a representative of the Illinois Public Risk Fund to discuss training requirements and workers compensation claims.

Fire Code Items:

Chief Rexroat and Director Clark met with representatives of Monmouth College to discuss code requirements for the Monmouth College Stockdale Center and also met with representatives of the Warren County YMCA regarding code requirements for one of their facilities. Chief Rexroat also assisted Director Clark with an inspection at the gas station at 831 South Main Street.

Apparatus and Equipment Related Items:

Engine 23 had several issues that needed addressed. A section of the engine's tailpipe broke away due to rust and was repaired. The hydraulic cylinders that lift the cab of the engine were leaking and required new seals to be put in. A small piece of steel was found in one of the front wheels and the other front tire was almost due to be replaced anyway and so they were both done at the same time.

The exhaust removal system at Station I was repaired after the hose that connects the system to the trucks exhaust failed. The technician replaced the hose and made adjustments to the exhaust removal system.

Other:

The fire department submitted an application to the FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) Program requesting funding to purchase a new fire engine. The department is in need of replacing one of the engines as the current ones are having many issues typical of their age. Two of the department's engines are 21 years old with the third engine being 27 years old. If the department is able to secure grant funding, the 27 year old engine would be replaced and the two 21 year old units would be kept in reserve. The price of a new fire engine for the department has been estimated at \$850,000 which is what was requested in the grant. If awarded, there is a 5% match that the City would be obligated to pay towards the project. The grant has \$324 mil. in available funding for this grant period. FEMA has estimated that beginning April 30th, 2024 awards will begin being issued and will continue until the grant funds are depleted. Representative Eric Sorensen is in support of the City of Monmouth being awarded the grant and has issued a letter to FEMA urging them to strongly consider the grant application.

Service Anniversaries:

- Firefighter Dan Chard-23 Years
- Firefighter Travis Bitner-21 Years
- Firefighter Tyler Osborn-6 Years
- Firefighter Paul Mangieri-2 Years
- Firefighter Devin Bemowski-1 Year

Respectfully submitted,

Casey Rexroat, Fire Chief