

Monmouth Fire Department June Monthly Report

***July 15th, 2019
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>	0	05
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>	0	05
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>	70	442
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>	22	91
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>	13	62
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>	03	23
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>	13	51
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	121	679

Staff Training

During the month of June firefighters completed EMS training on the subject of airway management and ventilation. This subject covers the procedures for clearing or maintaining a patient's airway and emergency ventilation for patients who are having trouble breathing. Firefighters reviewed a PowerPoint presentation and conducted a case review.

Non-Emergency Activities

The Fire Department attended the Healthy Kids Day event that was held at Sunny Lane Field in conjunction with the Warren-Henderson County Relay For Life. The firefighters provided a truck for the "touch a truck" portion of the event and helped to set up a landing zone for the helicopter that was brought in for the event.

All three shifts of firefighters participated in the ½ Way to Freezing for Food event that was held at Save-A-Lot to benefit local food banks.

The Fire Department participated in an event hosted by Warren County Housing at Lincoln Homes called "Strong Families". Several agencies from the area were at the event to talk with the residents, show the equipment to the kids, and answer questions.

Firefighters attended the "Meet Our Heroes" event that was held at the Warren County Library for children. Police Officers and Firefighters talked to the kids about what it's like to do their jobs and showed some of the equipment. Firefighters also read books to the children.

Firefighters provided fire extinguisher training to the employees at Legacy Estates.

Fire Code Items

Chief Rexroat worked with Zoning Director Clark to inspect the new Fareway Foods store for code compliance.

Apparatus and Equipment Related Items

All of the ground ladders and the aerial ladder received their annual test which is recommended by the NFPA and required by ISO. The ladders are inspected and tested by an independent company called Consolidated Fleet Services. During the test, the ladders are subject to an extreme load and checked for bends, cracks, or other defects. The company also inspects the heat labels which are special heat sensitive stickers that are placed on the ladders which are designed to change colors if the ladder is exposed to excessive heat that could decrease the strength of the ladder. All of the ground ladders at the department were certified for another year but a few issues were found with the aerial ladder that affected its certification status. Those issues are currently being addressed by Alexis Fire Equipment.

Other

Chief Rexroat attended a MABAS Executive Board Meeting that was held at the MABAS Readiness Center in Wheeling, Illinois.

All of the Monmouth Fire Department Officers held a staff meeting to discuss departmental issues.

Respectfully submitted,
Casey Rexroat, Fire Chief