

Monmouth Fire Department June Monthly Report

July 17th, 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.

June Incidents

Basic Incident Type Code And Description (FD1.21)	Total Incidents
Incident Type Category (FD1.21): 1 - Fire	
100 - Fire, other	2
111 - Building fire	1
131 - Passenger vehicle fire	1
143 - Grass fire	1
	Total: 5
Incident Type Category (FD1.21): 3 - Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident	
300 - Rescue, EMS incident, other	3
311 - Medical assist, assist EMS crew	95
322 - Motor vehicle accident with injuries	1
324 - Motor vehicle accident with no injuries.	2
	Total: 101
Incident Type Category (FD1.21): 4 - Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	
442 - Overheated motor	1
444 - Power line down	11
480 - Attempted burning, illegal action, other	1
	Total: 13

Basic Incident Type Code And Description (FD1.21)	Total Incidents
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
553 - Public service	1
554 - Assist invalid	1
561 - Unauthorized burning	1
	Total: 6
Incident Type Category (FD1.21): 6 - Good Intent Call	
600 - Good intent call, other	2
611 - Dispatched and cancelled en route	3
622 - No incident found on arrival at dispatch address	2
650 - Steam, other gas mistaken for smoke, other	1
	Total: 8
Incident Type Category (FD1.21): 7 - False Alarm & False Call	
733 - Smoke detector activation due to malfunction	1
735 - Alarm system sounded due to malfunction	2
743 - Smoke detector activation, no fire - unintentional	1
745 - Alarm system activation, no fire - unintentional	3
746 - Carbon monoxide detector activation, no CO	1
	Total: 8
	Total: 141

Staff Training:

During the month of June, the fire department staff completed 502 hours of training including the topics of Transitional Fire Attack, Reading Smoke, EMS Pharmacology, and EMS Medication Errors. All of the firefighters also completed the combat challenge as part of the monthly training which is the course set up as part of the entry-level firefighter physical agility test.

In addition to MFD's normally scheduled shift training, a department-wide training event was held at Monmouth College on the topic of rope rescue. The training simulated a person needing to be rescued from an elevator shaft in the HT Science Building where firefighters were lowered from the third floor to the first to rescue the victim and then hauled back up. Firefighter Osborn made all the arrangements and provided instruction for this training which was a great opportunity to practice very specialized skills.





Another great training opportunity in June was a visit from Medforce Air Medical. Assistant Chief Spears made arrangements to have Medforce land across the street from Station I to provide landing zone and helicopter safety training to multiple area agencies. This type of training is essential to departments in our area who are often asked to create landing zones in remote areas.



Non-emergency Activities:

The fire department staff participated in the "1/2 Way to Freezing for Food" event at Save-A-Lot with the radio station. The firefighters attended all three days of the event to help with donations as well as loading and unloading the food for the pantries.

Chief Rexroat attended meetings with the Illinois Fire Chief's Association, MABAS Illinois, and the Warren County Health Department.

Apparatus and Equipment Related Items:

Ladder 40, Engine 23, Engine 21, and Engine 4 all received their annual pump test. The annual pump test is required by the NFPA and ISO to ensure the pumps on the apparatus are safe and can be operated at their rated pressures and volume.

All of the department's self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) were flow-tested. The SCBA are flow tested once each year to check for proper operation and to test for leaks or any other problems with the units.

Other:

The Police and Fire Commission held entry-level firefighter testing at Station I and had a total of 13 applications to the department. After the applicants completed the physical agility test and written exam, there will be 7 candidates on the eligibility list. The eligibility list will be valid for two years or until it is exhausted. When the fire department has an opening, a conditional offer of employment is extended to the top person on the list. The conditional offer of employment for the fire department includes a polygraph exam, psychological exam, medical exam, and a thorough background check which all must be passed in order to be hired.

Respectfully submitted,

Casey Rexroat, Fire Chief