

Monmouth Fire Department March Monthly Report

April 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.

March Incidents

Basic Incident Type Code And Description (FD1.21)	Total Incidents
Incident Type Category (FD1.21): 1 - Fire	
111 - Building fire	1
132 - Road freight or transport vehicle fire	1
140 - Natural vegetation fire, other	1
	Total: 3
Incident Type Category (FD1.21): 3 - Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident	
311 - Medical assist, assist EMS crew	90
320 - Emergency medical service, other	1
324 - Motor vehicle accident with no injuries.	1
	Total: 92
Incident Type Category (FD1.21): 4 - Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	
412 - Gas leak (natural gas or LPG)	1
424 - Carbon monoxide incident	1
444 - Power line down	6
445 - Arcing, shorted electrical equipment	1
	Total: 9

Basic Incident Type Code And Description (FD1.21)	Total Incidents
Incident Type Category (FD1.21): 5 - Service Call	
500 - Service call, other	4
553 - Public service	1
554 - Assist invalid	1
	Total: 6
Incident Type Category (FD1.21): 6 - Good Intent Call	
600 - Good intent call, other	2
611 - Dispatched and cancelled en route	1
622 - No incident found on arrival at dispatch address	1
	Total: 4
Incident Type Category (FD1.21): 7 - False Alarm & False Call	
700 - False alarm or false call, other	2
743 - Smoke detector activation, no fire - unintentional	2
745 - Alarm system activation, no fire - unintentional	3
	Total: 7
	Total: 121

Total Number of Incidents Year to Date: 398

Staff Training:

Medical training for the month of March included the topics of Documentation and Patient Care Reports. The fire department staff completed training on the topics which included an online presentation and accompanying quizzes.

The MFD staff also trained on the topics of Building Construction and Forcible Entry. Firefighters often train on the topic of building construction because having prior knowledge of how buildings are made and the type of materials that are used in the construction will allow them to make more informed decisions when fighting a fire. How a building is constructed relates to how fast fire will spread, where it will spread to, and how quickly it will collapse under fire conditions.

Firefighters train on the topic of forcible entry in order to know the best techniques for gaining access to a building that is locked or otherwise not accessible. Firefighters are often in situations when entry doors are locked or access points must be made in other parts of the building. Firefighters train to force open all types of doors, gates, overhead doors, padlocks, and chains so that they can get to the fire or victims quickly.

Five Monmouth Fire personnel completed the Illinois Fire Service Institute Fire Investigator class that was hosted by the Monmouth Fire Department (photos attached). The 120 hour class was taught by IFSI instructors over 6 different weekends starting in January and ending in March. The class had a total of 29 firefighters from across the state in attendance, 9 of which were from Warren County and several others from neighboring counties. The class covers a wide range of topics intended to train firefighters to determine the origin and cause of a fire.

Assistant Chief Hinton attended a Leadership Development and Decision Making Program class at the Illinois Fire Service Institute. The LDDM Program includes three different classes that all run simultaneously with each class having a different rank (firefighters, fire officers, and chief officers). The three classes are conducted concurrently to allow interaction between the classes throughout the week. All of the classes provide instruction that encourages the student's participation and discussion to develop their leadership skills.

Department personnel toured some of the new homes in the Monmouth Townhomes neighborhood to have a general familiarity of how the homes are laid out and where the utilities are located if there is an emergency.

Non-Emergency Activities:

The Monmouth Fire Department participated in the annual Merit Badge University event that is held each year for Boy Scouts. The event allows the scouts to earn many different types of merit badges that they need in the same day. The Monmouth Firefighters hosted a group of scouts at the station to provide a station tour and a fire safety presentation.

Fire Code Items:

Chief Rexroat assisted Director Clark with inspections at the Monmouth Townhomes, First United Methodist Church, and a business owner on South Main Street about code requirements for a restaurant.

Other:

MFD attended meetings with the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners, City of Monmouth Safety Committee, Illinois Fire Chief's Association, and Warren County 911.

Respectfully submitted,

Casey Rexroat, Fire Chief











