

Monmouth Fire Department

October Monthly Report

November 21st, 2016

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>	01	30
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>	00	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>	62	573
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>	05	124
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>	25	134
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>	07	58
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>	18	148
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	02
Includes citizen complaints concerning code or ordinance violations and any other incidents that may not fit any of the above categories.		
Total	118	1074

Staff Training:

During the month of October, the staff completed EMS training on the subject of pediatric emergencies. Firefighters went over a PowerPoint on the subject and conducted a case review.

Firefighters also completed hose training and rope rescue training. The hose training was in conjunction with the annual hose testing which was completed during October and the rope rescue training involved lifting and lowering techniques using ropes and ladders.

Non-Emergency Activities:

October was the annual “Fire Prevention Month” and so all of the firefighters conducted presentations during their shifts at various places in the city including;

- Lutheran Day Care
- Harding School
- Headstart
- Warren County Library
- Immaculate Conception School
- Central School
- Lincoln School
- Teddy Bear Daycare
- Prairie Pointe

The firefighters also conducted a presentations at the Triad meeting for seniors at the Strom Center and the residents of Oak and Costello Terrace.

Fire Code Items:

The fire department inspected several haunted houses at Monmouth College to ensure that they were safe for the students and public.

Apparatus and Equipment Related Items:

The fire department purchased four new portable radios for the firefighters to use. Many of the portable radios that are being used at the department are now over ten years old and are having issues. Instead of replacing all of the radios at once, the department is purchasing a few radios each year to spread out the cost of replacing them all.

Respectfully submitted,
Casey Rexroat, Fire Chief