# Monmouth Fire Department October Monthly Report

November 18th, 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>	04	20
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.		
Overpressure, Rupture, Explosion, Overheat (without ensuing fire)	00	07
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.		
Rescue and Emergency Medical Services	61	733
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.		
Hazardous Conditions (no fire)	06	126
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.		
Service Calls	21	114
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.		
Good Intent Calls	04	45
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.		
False Alarms and False Calls	07	96
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).		
Severe Weather and Natural Disaster	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.		
Other Type Incidents	00	00
Includes citizen complaints concerning code or ordinance violations and any other incidents that may not fit any of the above categories.		
Total	103	1141

### **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.

All of the MFD Staff completed the annual mask fit testing and medical evaluations. The mask fit testing is required by IDOL/OHSA to ensure that everyone using an SCBA is using the appropriate sized mask for the most respiratory protection.

### **Non-Emergency Activities:**

National Fire Prevention Week occurs annually during the week of October 9<sup>th</sup>. In the weeks before, during, and after Fire Prevention Week, the firefighters stay very busy with public education events to inform the public about the dangers of fire and ways to prevent it from happening. Each year, the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) chooses the theme for Fire Prevention Week, this year's theme was "Not Every Hero Wears a Cape. Plan and Practice Your Escape". MFD handed out posters, coloring books, pamphlets, and other miscellaneous information to help get the word out about fire safety. The crews at MFD also gave presentations at the following locations:

- Oak Terrace
- Costello Terrace
- Lincoln School
- Central School
- Harding School
- Head Start

- Teddy Bear Day Care
- Lutheran Day Care
- Monmouth Early Learning Center
- ICS
- Lutheran Day Care
- Warren County Library

The firefighters also conducted several station tours and received a visit from the "Good Gang" from Stone-Hayes Center for Independent Living.

Another Halloween event was held at the North Fire Station this year. On Halloween, families were invited to the fire station to trick or treat on the truck floor. The trucks were moved out of the way and several local agencies came to the station to hand out candy to the kids. Due to the cold weather, the Lions Club who normally hand out hot dogs and chips outside asked if they could join us inside of the building which was very successful. Hundreds of people came to the fire station to trick or treat and enjoy the food from the Lions Club.

The Fire Department participated in the Monmouth-Roseville High School and the Monmouth College Homecoming parades.

## Other:

Chief Rexroat participated in the Mental Health Discussion with the Radio Station, attended a meeting with Superintendent Fletcher about safety improvements at the schools, and attended a MABAS Executive Board meeting in Peoria.

Respectfully submitted, Casey Rexroat, Fire Chief