



STAFF REPORT

DATE: April 17, 2018

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ITEM #: 5

TO: City Council

FROM: Greg Malmquist, Fire Chief

AGENDA ITEM: Month End Fire Department Update for March 2018

REVIEWED BY: Kristina Handt, City Administrator

ISSUE BEFORE COUNCIL: Review month end activity update from fire department. Advise on any additional information requested.

PROPOSAL DETAILS/ANALYSIS:

We had 37 calls in March:

1	Structure Fire
1	CO Detector Alarm
3	Dispatched and cancelled en route
24	Medicals
1	Fire (other)
1	Confined Fire (boiler malfunction)
1	Gas Leak
3	Car accident with injuries
1	Grass Fire
1	Special outside fire (Bon fire in park)
37	Total

A Command vehicle did not respond on 13 calls for a response rate of 65%. Our average response time was 7.1 minutes from alarm to arrival. 16 calls had 3 or less responders minus the Duty Officer with 7 calls having only 1 personnel on the first due apparatus. 11 calls this month had only shift personnel for responders.

Drills for the Month:

- #1 - Company Ops at Burn House
- #2 - Search and Rescue at Burn House

Points of Interest:

-Several of our personnel were recognized at the March 6th City Council meeting for their years of service. They ranged from 5 to 25 years of service to the community.

- One Officer attended the Officer's Conference in Duluth in March. They attended training on Fire fighter health and wellness including a Train-the-Trainer for the MNFIRE being rolled out state wide.

-One part time fire fighter resigned at the beginning of the month. Another part time Fire Fighter announced they would likely be resigning in that capacity as well due to other job commitments. This will leave us with 2 part time positions open.

-Arbor Glen held a fundraiser with the proceeds to go to the Safe Haven program. The fire department was presented a check for over \$1300 at the March 20th City Council meeting. Fire personnel have attended several of the Friday morning "news and views" from 0930-1000 at Arbor Glen when it is possible. This is an opportunity to

talk over a cup of coffee and meet the residents of the building. We have also used this forum for fire prevention and educational moments with the residents.

Part time personnel accomplishments:

Maintenance and repairs to ice machine Daily truck checks and repairs
Moved and set up Sign Board for school carnival General cleaning and maintenance of stations
Cleaned doors and installed bird nest deterrents at Station #2
Labeled all apparatus compartments and shelves as well as tools
Placed both Brush trucks and Ranger back in service for grass and wild fires including filling, flushing, and operating pumps Assisted Public Works in flushing water from contaminated Well
Assisted in Fire Inspection and started training on data entry for follow-up in Image Trend
Conducted Ability Test for one new potential recruit.