



STAFF REPORT

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CONSENT

TO: City Council

FROM: Greg Malmquist, Fire Chief

AGENDA ITEM: Month End Fire Department Update for December 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 December:

- 1 Fire Alarms
- 1 CO Alarm
- 1 Cooking fire
- 4 Cancelled en route
- 22 Medicals
- 2 Car accidents with injuries
- 2 Gas Leaks
- 2 Car Fires
- 2 Other

- 37 Total

A Command vehicle did not respond on 11 calls for a response rate of 70%. Our average response time was 6.6 minutes from alarm to arrival. 22 calls had 3 or less responders minus the Duty Officer with 7 calls having only 1 personnel on the first due apparatus. 10 calls this month had only shift personnel for responders.

Drills for the Month:

- #1 - Make-up Ability test
- #2 - Annual SCBA fit test / Wildland fires

Points of Interest:

- 1 new PT Fire Fighter started and is now in the rotation.
- 2 new PT Fire Fighters are moving through the process for hiring.
- PT positions were nearly fully staffed but then 2 personnel resigned. One for a FT FF position and the other for a different PT job that fit his family schedule better.
- Several calls required double pages due to lack of Paid on Call responders.

- A Mutual aid structure fire request from one of neighbors went unanswered due to a lack of our ability to staff a crew timely. We were cancelled by the time we were able to put together a crew.

Part Timer Accomplishments:

- Began marking and replacing all hydrant paddles. All hydrants in the city will be tagged with their GIS label and marked with a plastic paddle. All old fiberglass poles are being disposed of as the project moves along.
- The 4 gas monitor was repaired in-house, calibrated and placed back into service.
- Cleaning and general maintenance at both station.
- Practical drills as assigned during shifts.
- Orientation and training of new PT personnel.
- Vehicle and equipment inspections.
- Assisted with Burn Permit applications.
- Assisted with the annual SCBA pack flow testing for the entire department.
- Assisted with testing and equipping new PT personnel and potential PT personnel.