

Fire Chief Report

February 5, 2024

Calls: Month of January had 190 requests for service: EMS: 84 Transfers: 85 SWAT: 1 Dive: 0 Fire: 12
Month of December had 216 requests for service: EMS: 96 Transfers: 99 SWAT: 1 Dive: 0 Fire: 20

District Update

Staffing

District Staffing Level: 90 members
Command Staff: 4 (1 Career Fire Chief & 3 POC Deputy Chief)
Career Captains: 3
Career EMS Members: 3
Career Fire Inspector: 1
Administrative: 1
Chaplains: 2
Non-Station Assigned Members: 10 FF/EMT
St 1 members: 27 POC (26 fire/EMS & 1 Diver), 2 career, & 6 honorary
St 3 members: 22 POC (16 fire/EMS, 6 dive), 3 career, 1 honorary
St 6 members: 17 POC (15 fire/EMS & 2 EMS) 2 career
EMS Training: 47 members trained in the District as Medical Responders
Ambulance Staffing: 30-member training/approved to work on ambulance
Dive Team: 18 members (13 Divers & 5 support staff)

Department Interview(s)

6 Applicant to interview on 2/27/2024 by members of the Command Staff and Fire Commission
5 applications to interview by members of the Command Staff and Fire Commission with a date to be determined

Members that have or will be starting orientation

ELFF Tyler Kurtenbach assigned to Station 1 - 1/4/2024

Members that have complete orientation

FF/EMT-P Steve Weyers, assigned to Capt Wolf, EMS Duties 0 1/23/2024

Years of Service anniversaries for the month

Deputy Chief (FF/AEMT) Cory Jeffers – 20 years of service
Capt Kyle Frederickson – 11years of service (2 years with District)
FF/CC EMT-P Kali Junk – 6 years of service
FF/EMT-B Andrew Straszowski - 11 years of service
FF Dave Varga – 46 years of service
FF Shawn Kalms – 4 year of service
FF/EMT-B Tony Schlueter – 2 year of service
MPO Duane Wallsch – 25 years of service

Members that have Left.

FF/EMT-P Heather Morning, Non-station member, resigned effective 1/26/2024
FF/EMT-B Erica Becker, Station 1 member, resigned effective 1/31/2024

SOPs & MOGs of the Month

SOP 601 Emergency Radio Comm
SOP 1001 EMS Clothing to be Worn
MOG 3200 Chimney Fires

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Vehicle/Equipment Updates

Medic 1 new batteries replaced on 1/7/2024
Medic 1 DPF Regen done on 1/7/2024
Annual DOT for Station 3 and Medic Units started on 1/9/2024
Annual Hydro testing on SCBA cylinders and Cascade System cylinders at Station 3 was done on 1/10/2024
CV 1 (truck) new tires on 1/17/2024
Medic 1 in for repairs to stirring component from DOT inspection 1/17/2024
Medic 2 will be going in for some paint work from an accident reported on 1/17/2024 – WIP
Squad 6 anti-freeze leak repaired on 1/17/2024
Medic 3 in for repairs to stirring component from DOT inspection 1/19/2024
Truck 1 shore airline repaired on 1/19/2024

District Meetings and Trainings

Station Meetings

Station 1 meeting was held on 1/3/2024 attended by Chief Bernette, DC Nowak, and Station 1 Members.
Station 6 meeting was held on 1/17/2023 attended by Chief Bernette, DC Sheidler, and Station 6 Members.
Station 3 meeting held on 1/25/2023 attended by Chief Bernette, DC Jeffers, and Station 3 Members

Fire Board Meeting

Meeting Held on 1/16/2024 at Station 1 attended by Chief Bernette, Dc Nowak, DC Jeffers, DC Scheidler, Capt Wolf, FI Shervey and department members.
Special Meeting h Held on 1/16/2024 at Station 1 attended by Chief Bernette, Dc Nowak, DC Jeffers, DC Scheidler, Capt Wolf, Capt Steindorf-Berg, and several members.
Next regular scheduled meeting will be on 02/13/2024 Station 1

Fire Commission Meeting

Meeting held on 1/23/2022 Station 1 attended by Chief Bernette, DC Jeffers, DC Scheidler, Capt. Frederickson, Capt. Fike, Capt. Larson, Capt. Krall, and a member from St 3.
Next regular scheduled meeting is scheduled for 04/23/2024 at 1830 hours

Officers Meetings

District Officer Meeting held at St 1 on 1/4/2024 attended by Chief Bernette, DC Nowak, DC Jeffers, DC Sheidler, and District Officers
Career Officer Meeting attended by Chief Bernette, Capt. Wolf, Capt. Frederickson, and Capt. Steindorf on 1/3/2024
Station 3 Officer Meeting held on 1/24/2024 attended by Chief Bernette, DC Jeffers, Capt Fike, Capt Hennlich, and Capt Larson
Next scheduled District Officers Meeting set for 3/7/2024 at 6:30 pm
Next scheduled Career Officer Meeting set for 2/14/2024 at 7:15 am

Fire Training

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January training was on PPE, SCBA, and FF 1 skills.

Annual employee gear inspections was done.

Station 1, Non-station, and career employees completed FIT Testing.

EMS Meeting & Training

Annual HIPAA, Discrimination, and Harassment training

TEMS & SWAT Training

Training on 01/04/2023 attended by TEMS Leader FF/CC EMT-P Arriola

Other Meetings

North Central Fire Chief Association Meeting attended by Chief Bernette on 1/18/2024

MABAS DIV 132 and Chippewa County Fire Chief Association Meeting attended by Chief Bernette on 1/25/2024