



# Fire Chief's Report

## March 2020

### 1. Alarm Responses:

INCIDENT TYPE	NUMBER	PERCENT
111 - Building fire	2	3.28
142 - Brush or brush-and-grass mixture fire	2	3.28
150 - Outside rubbish fire, other	1	1.64
311 - Medical assist, assist EMS crew	3	4.92
321 - EMS call, excluding vehicle MVC with injury	26	42.62
322 - Motor vehicle accident with injuries	6	9.84
441 - Heat from short circuit (wiring)	1	1.64
551 - Assist police or another governmental agency	1	1.64
553 - Public service	5	8.20
611 - Dispatched & cancelled en route	5	8.20
622 - No incident found on arrival at dispatch	2	3.28
731 - Sprinkler activation due to malfunction	1	1.64
735 - Alarm system sounded due to malfunction	1	1.64
744 - Detector activation, no fire – unintentional	1	1.64
745 - Alarm system activation, no fire	4	6.56
<b>TOTAL INCIDENTS:</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>100.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL INCIDENTS YEAR-TO-DATE:</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>N/A</b>

Response Data	Month
Average response time to Fire Calls*	16:43
Average response time to All Calls	10:24
Average personnel to Fire Calls *	11

\* There were two structure fire responses in March. One was in the Oak Grove community at the very end of our district resulting in an extended response time. The other was in Lake Cunningham's district. The average response time to fire calls reflects the in-district response only. Response to the fire outside the district had a lag time from communications of approximately 5 minutes.

Glassy Mountain provided 8 Mutual and Automatic Aid responses in March. One was for a Building Fire, 3 were for fire alarms, and the remaining 4 were for EMS calls. All three of the fire alarms were canceled en route.

### 2. Personnel:

- No new applications for membership were received. We continue to fill the open position with part time employees.



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### **3. Meetings / Operational Initiatives:**

- Attended the EMS Today Conference and Exposition in Tampa, FL.
- Due to the developing Coronavirus pandemic, department operations were significantly changed including:
  - All training (other than by on duty personnel) was cancelled.
  - The Administrative Manager and Fire Chief began working from home for most of the time beginning March 19<sup>th</sup>.
  - Non-emergency medical calls deemed as COVID ALERT patients had a GCEMS response only beginning March 24<sup>th</sup> to limit exposure to department personnel. This was an initiative by GCEMS and is inline with national trends to limit exposure to first responders and maintain an effective workforce.
  - The average Turnout time was 00:19. This includes several alarms where units were already out and clearing from other alarms with 00:00 reaction times. There were two outliers of 2:38 and 2:57 minutes. The Incident Response Detail Times report is attached for your review.

### **4. Inspections / Re-Inspections / Preplans and Plan Reviews:**

- There were 5 inspections and pre-fire plans completed in March prior to all inspections and pre-fire planning was suspended on March 19<sup>th</sup>.