



Wisconsin Rapids Fire Department

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To: Mayor Shane Blaser, Wisconsin Rapids Police and Fire Commission, Wisconsin Rapids Common Council
From: Todd Eckes, WRFDFire Chief
Date: June 1, 2023
RE: Monthly Summary for June 2023

WRFDFmeetings, events, training, and notable calls for the month of December:

- Police and Fire Commission meeting
- Common Council meeting
- Mayors Monthly Touch Base Meeting
- Wisconsin State Fire Chiefs Board Meeting
- Pub Ed Committee Meeting
- Management meeting
- Regional Trauma Advisory Committee meeting
- Dispatch Ride along
- Trained the Wood County Highway crews on Haz Mat awareness.
- Electrical use Assessment at both stations
- ERCODisaster drill planning meeting
- Opioid remediation meeting
- Burning ordinance change meeting.
- Meeting with new Police Chief
- Fall Reduction meeting with ADRC
- Fire Marshal attended the District 9 Fire Inspectors meeting
- North Central Fire Chiefs meeting
- Station tour for St. Lawrence school (16 children)
- FDPDtraining
- Car seat Clinic at Station I
- Held an all-day drill at MSTC attended by 22 members
- ESS MUNIS training for all department Officers
- Life Guard Training at the Aquatic Center

May Anniversaries: Mke Lisitza; 22 Years, Justin Pluess; 19 Years, Aaron Palbrach; 16 Years, Brennan Agen; 15 Years, Cole Varsho; 1 Year.

Notable Responses:

Structure Fire: Exterior structure fire Baker Drive, Mutual aid in the town of Seneca

Motor vehicle Crashes: 9 motor vehicle crashes 1 involving a pedestrian



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WRFD Notes:

The entire month of May our newest members completed their Recruit Academy. This is a 4-week orientation training, teaching them all of our Fire Standard Operating Guidelines (SOG) and our EMS Field Operating Guidelines (FOG). Three weeks are dedicated to the Fire side of the job and the last week dedicated to the EMS side of the job. They need to learn many tasks, some of which are Fire Behavior, so they understand the dangers of a growing fire and recognize those signs as that Fire grows. They also spend a lot of time on Personal Protective Equipment, with a focus on their Turnout clothing and Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA). These are their first line of defense and improper use can get them in trouble quickly. Time is also spent on all the specialized training we do also such as Haz Mat, Vehicle extrication, Confined space, rope rescue, etc. The entire last week is focused on EMS teaching them the use of our IV pumps, Ventilator, our Life packs which are our cardiac monitors that have can monitor a patient, take 12 leads which are used to identify a heart attack, shock a person in a dysrhythmia, and also externally pace a patient in need of that skill. I am happy to say all three successfully completed that training and beginning May 29 started on their perspective crews counting to staff.

The month of May also found all three crews and command staff, and all the members of the P.D. participating in Tabletop Exercises of Active Shooter scenarios. Planning has been happening since the first of the year lead by Deputy Chief Jason Joling and Deputy Chief Scott Dewitt. Many hours lead us to three exercises that focused on three locations. Lincoln High School, Middle School, and Riverview Aspirus hospital. Three locations we feel are our most likely targets. Along with Wisconsin Rapids Public Safety, members of Wood County Sheriffs, Stevens Point F.D, Plover F.D, Grand Rapids P.D, Wisconsin Rapids school district, Aspirus Hospital also participated in these exercises. Now that the table tops exercises have been completed, in August we will have three separate Active Shooter exercises, on three separate days in order to cover all three crews on both WRFD, and WRPD. Each day will have an exercise at one of the three locations. These exercises are vital for building relationships with not only our local resources but with those that we would call in the event of such an incident. These also allow us to identify and work out any problems in a training atmosphere and rectify them, as well as pre-planning many aspects of such events. Some of those are setting up Incident Command and where it will be located, identifying staging areas of deploying resources as well as incoming resources, identification of cold, warm, & hot zones. Deployment for incidents like these is ever changing, and keeping on top of new skills and deployment methods is vital to reducing loss of life. Each entity will be exercising different skills that include threat elimination, victim care and removal, resource deployment and movement from staging to the warm & hot zone. We will be continuing this effort every year choosing three new locations and exercising these skills at those locations allowing us to build a library of experience to draw from in the event of real incident, identifying and recording additional pre-planning, and build muscle memory to draw from when needed.



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WRFD JUNE 2023 MONTHLY RESPONSE REPORT

Type of Emergency	June 2023 Responses	Total # of 2023 Responses	June 2022 Responses	Total # of 2022 Responses
EMS 911	350	1779	376	1767
EMS IFT	2	6	9	29
COMMUNITY PARAMEDICINE	0	0	1	9
FIRE	5	21	5	14
EXPLOSION (No Fire)	0	0	0	0
HAZARDOUS CONDITION	4	15	4	11
SERVICE CALLS	2	22	4	21
GOOD INTENT	6	21	13	34
FALSE ALARMS/WEATHER	6	22	5	29
TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE	375	1,886	417	1914

Notes:

- Fire 100 Series: Fire (s *structure, vehicle, wildland*)
- Fire 200 Series: Overpressure, Rupture, Explosion, Overheat (*No Fire*)
- Fire 300 Series: Rescue & Emergency Service Incident (*Motor vehicle accident, EMS Calls*)
- Fire 400 Series: *Hazardous Condition (spills, leaks with no fire)*
- Fire 500 Series: Service Calls (water & smoke problems, burning complaints)
- Fire 600 Series: Good Intent (*Dispatched and cancelled, Citizen needs help*)
- Fire 700/800 Series: (700) False Alarms (800) Severe Weather/Natural Disasters

Runs by District	June 2023	2023 Totals	June 2022	2022 Totals
Wisconsin Rapids	278	1433	306	1394
Saratoga	20	118	25	138
Village Port Edwards	7	44	7	62
Village Biron	21	94	9	47
Town of Port Edwards	7	40	10	29
Nekoosa	18	99	30	128
Granmoor	1	4	1	6
Mutual Aid Given	3	20	5	35
Mutual Aid Received	20	34	24	75
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Confined Space Stand-by	June 2023	Total # 2023	June 2022	Total # 2022
TOTALS	21	177	25	177



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WRFD TRAINING CENTER FOR MAY 2023

Category	Topic
Fire	Fire Attack (practical) & Fire Behavior in a Single-Family Dwelling (Q0368)-NFA
Officer	Safety Officer & Fire-Ground Accountability / Resource Management
Motor Pump Operator	Fire Hose Selection, Flow Rates & Hose Testing
Technical rescue	Confine Space 101 (classroom) & Confine Space Rescue (practical)
Hazardous Materials	Radiological & Nuclear Awareness
EMS	Rescue Task Force
EMR	Mass Casualty Incident, TRIAGE, and BLS Skills
Cadet	Firefighter self-survival techniques



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Day Drill Photos

