



# Wisconsin Rapids Fire Department

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To: Mayor Matt Zacher, Wisconsin Rapids Police and Fire Commission, Wisconsin Rapids Common Council  
From: Todd Eckes, WRFDFire Chief  
Date: August 1, 2024  
RE: Monthly Summary for July 2024

WRFDFmeetings, events, training, and notable calls for the month of July 2024:

- Police and Fire Commission Meeting
- Common Council Meeting
- Attended Finance & Property Meeting
- Attended the Safety meeting at city hall.
- Attended the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks event.
- Attended the Fireworks post event Meeting
- PD/FD Meeting
- North Central Regional Trauma Advisory Meeting
- Held Narcan Training with Three Bridges Recovery with all three crews.
- All three Crews attended the asphalt plant tour.
- Started Train Safety Training with Canadian National and all three Crews
- EMD Director attended a Trauma Meeting at Aspirus Hospital
- Held a Blood Drive at Station 1
- Held a Pop-Up Splash Pad at Woodside Elementary
- Trained Waterford staff to assess and lift patients at their facility.
- Attended Xaden Parkers 9<sup>th</sup> Birthday party.
- Attended a Touch a Truck event at the Grand Rapids Lions Park.
- Monthly EMR training
- Monthly Cadet Training
- Trained the Lifeguards at the Aquatic Center
- CPR Training for the new recruits.
- Wisconsin State Fire Chiefs Board Meeting
- Attended North Central Fire Chiefs Meeting
- Attended Wood County Fire Chiefs Meeting
- Car seat Clinic at Station I
- Sponsored a Ride-along of a High School Student interested in the Fire Service as a career.

July Anniversaries: Sean Murphy 25 Years, Andrew Saxer 5 Years

July Notable Responses:        Structure Fire:3        Rubbish Fire: 2        Vehicle Fire: 1        MVC With Injuries: 6

MVC Without Injuries: 2        Gas Leak: 2        Rescue/EMS Standby: 1 Water Rescue    Cooking Fires: 2



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July WRFD Notes:

## Red Cross Blood Drive

This month we held a Red Cross Blood Drive, the first time to my knowledge this has been done at the Fire Department. We were approached by Billerud paper company about partnering with them to hold this event. WRFD always takes these opportunities to work with businesses in the city to help present such necessary events as this. Earlier this year it was determined the US had a Blood Supply shortage and we are still trying to recover. Some of the most important statistics that are relevant to this event are below. That is why this event is so important to WRFD and this community.

- 1. Every 2 seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood and or platelets.*
- 2. Approximately 29,000 units of red blood cells are needed every day in the U. S.*
- 3. Nearly 5,000 units of platelets and 6.500 units of plasma are needed daily in the U.S.*
- 4. Nearly 16 million blood components are transfused each year in the U.S.*
- 5. The average red blood cell transfusion is approximately 3 units.*
- 6. A single car accident victim can require as many as 100 units of blood.*
- 7. The blood type most often requested by hospitals is type O.*

## Pop-up Splash Pad

Our Pop-up Splash Pads were so successful and well attended in 2023, that we decided to schedule more this year. Last year we waited until the Aquatic Center was closed but there were requests to do this earlier. So, we are trying to pick spots farther out from the Aquatic Center to hold these events. We contacted the Wisconsin Rapids Public Schools and partnered with them as a host for our first event at Woodside Elementary on July 24<sup>th</sup> from 1:30 – 3:00. We have two others scheduled for August 7<sup>th</sup> and August 21<sup>st</sup> at Lincoln High School. This is a great way for WRFD to communicate with the citizens and let them have some family fun at the same time. Fire Prevention material was given out as well as great conversation. It amazes me how such a simple task such as these is so well attended and appreciated by both the Citizens of the community, but by our members also as we can meet citizens and get to know different neighborhoods and the people that live in those neighborhoods. We look forward to the next two events and hope to see everyone there. Below are some photos from that first event.



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## WRFD JULY 2024 MONTHLY RESPONSE REPORT

Type of Emergency	July 2024 Responses	Total # of 2024 Responses	July 2023 Responses	Total # of 2023 Responses
EMS 911	369	2,663	383	2,500
EMS IFT	2	9	3	11
COMMUNITY PARAMEDICINE	1	3	0	0
FIRE	9	29	10	33
EXPLOSION (No Fire)	0	1	0	0
HAZARDOUS CONDITION	2	31	7	27
SERVICE CALLS	2	28	7	32
GOOD INTENT	4	37	9	36
FALSE ALARMS/WEATHER	11	84	11	40
TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE	400	2,885	430	2,679

### Notes:

- Fire 100 Series: Fire (*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	July 2024	2024 Totals	July 2023	2023 Totals
Wisconsin Rapids	286	2,135	309	2,033
Saratoga	24	165	17	156
Village Port Edwards	10	87	13	64
Village Biron	9	106	19	129
Town of Port Edwards	7	29	12	57
Nekoosa	24	174	37	152
Cranmoor	1	2	1	8
Mutual Aid Given	12	81	6	28
Mutual Aid Received	27	106	16	52
<b>TOTALS</b>	400	2,885	430	2,679

Confined Space Stand-by	July 2024	Total # 2024	July 2023	Total # 2023
TOTALS	25	190	27	243



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## WRFD TRAINING CENTER FOR JULY 2024

Category	Topic
Fire	<b>Forcible Entry &amp; Door Control/Asphalt Plant Tours</b>
Officer	Unique evacuation & shelter in place needs of people with medical dependencies during a disaster (FEMA)
Motor Pump Operator	The engine company: "effective fire attack" (FDIC)
Technical rescue	
Hazardous Materials	Road Transport Rollover & Tank Truck Emergency Response (REACT)
EMS	Delayed Sequence Intubation (Airway)
EMR	Airway Training
Cadet	None on Summer Break
<b>Total Training Hours for the Month</b>	<b>438.5</b>
<b>Inspections for the month</b>	<b>81</b>



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## July Overtime Paid Summary

Overtime Summary in Hours													
Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Running Total
<b>Category</b>													
Comp Paid Out	2.75	24	0	72	0	0	0						98.75
FMLA	24	0	72	24	168	312	48						648.00
Emergency Calls	23.5	104	87.54	156.4	162	71.28	85						689.72
Sick	146.3	86	96.5	12.4	261.5	155.3	48						806.00
Stay-Over	5.5	3.5	2.54	74	11.83	7.25	14.3						118.92
Meeting/Committee	0	5.5	0	0	0.75	1	0						7.25
BC VAC	0	12	48	17	72	196.5	72						417.50
ODT	0	5			0	0	3						8.00
Training	26.75	19.17	28	80	4	196	4						357.92
Short Crew	0	0	72	152	120	96	0						440
<b>Monthly Total</b>	228.8	259.1	406.5	587.8	800.0	1035.3	274.3	0.0	0.0	0.00	0.0	0.0	3592.0
	0	7	8	0	8	3	0	0	0				6

<b>O.T. Rate</b>	<b>\$39</b>
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<b>Comp Pay Out over 100 hours</b>	<b>\$7,442</b>
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<b>July Total O.T. Cost</b>	<b>\$10,696.00</b>
<b>Year to Date O.T. Cost</b>	<b>\$142,298.52</b>

<b>Crew Transfer Pay to date</b>	<b>\$1,600</b>
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