



# Wisconsin Rapids Fire Department

Fire - EMS - Haz Mat - Rescue - Education - Prevention

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To: Mayor Shane Blaser, Wisconsin Rapids Police and Fire Commission, Wisconsin Rapids Common Council

From: Scott Young, WRFDFire Chief

Date: October 5, 2020

RE: Monthly Summary for September 2020

WRFD meetings, events, training, and notable calls for the month of September:

- Police and Fire Commission meeting
- Finance and Property meeting
- Human Resource meeting
- Common Council meeting
- North Central Fire Chiefs meeting (Stratford)
- Emergency First Responder training
- Preliminary budget meeting with the mayor and finance director
- All three crews began annual hose testing requirements
- Lawn care at the Wisconsin State Firefighters Memorial
- EMS training focusing on self-study topics that meet continuing education requirements
- Structure fire at 2510 Engle Rd, cardboard recycling material was burning inside structure. The building sustained damage to metal siding when it was peeled away to allow access to control the fire

WRFD Notes:

National Fire Prevention Week runs from Sunday October 4<sup>th</sup> thru Saturday October 10<sup>th</sup>. This year's fire prevention theme focuses on kitchen fires. Unattended cooking in the kitchen is the leading cause of structure fires in the United States and the number one cause of fire injuries. Over the last several years' kitchen fires are the number one cause of fires the WRFD responds to, with over half of all structure fires related to unattended cooking. The importance of having and maintaining working smoke detectors throughout the home cannot be stressed enough as the department's last four fatal fires were due to unattended cooking in the kitchen with no working smoke detectors present.

The WRFD would like to welcome our newest member, Michael Koehler. Michael began his field orientation requirements on September 16<sup>th</sup> that will continue over the next couple of months. Max will be assigned to Crew #2 once his department orientation training requirements are completed. Congratulations Michael and welcome to WRFD!



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## WRFD SEPTEMBER 2020 MONTHLY RESPONSE REPORT

Type of Emergency	September 2020 Responses	Total # of 2020 Responses	September 2019 Responses	Total # of 2019 Responses	Year to Date % 2020/2019
EMS 911	297	2456	255	2417	1.6%
EMS IFT	36	211	37	300	29.7%
COMMUNITY PARAMEDICINE	1	10	1	14	28.6%
FIRE	2	34	4	42	19.1%
HAZARDOUS CONDITION	3	41	5	71	42.2%
SERVICE CALLS	9	62	3	53	14.5%
FALSE ALARMS	14	93	16	91	2.2%
<b>TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE</b>	<b>362</b>	<b>2907</b>	<b>321</b>	<b>2988</b>	<b>2.7%</b>

Notes:

- Fire 100 Series: Fire (s *structure, vehicle, wildland*)
- Fire 400 Series: *Hazardous Condition (spills, leaks with no fire)*
- Fire 500 Series: Service Calls (water & smoke problems, burning complaints)
- Fire 700 Series: False Alarms

Runs by District	September 2020	2020 Totals	September 2019	2019 Totals
Wisconsin Rapids	323	2533	274	2594
Saratoga	17	172	19	198
Village Port Edwards	10	89	16	88
Village Biron	10	74	6	73
Mutual Aid Given	1	30	6	22
Mutual Aid Received	1	9	0	13
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Confined Space Stand-by	September 2020	Total # 2020	September 2019	Total # 2019
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>615</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>504</b>