



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: November 1, 2022
RE: Monthly Summary for October 2022

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

- Police and Fire Commission meeting
- Common Council meeting
- Committee of the whole (Budget Presentation)
- Management Meeting
- Attended the Final Alarm ceremony & Procession
- Attended Wisconsin Affiliation Leadership Training Seminar (WALTS)
- Hosted an Open House for the Fire Departments attending the ceremony
- Hosted the Wood County Arson Task Force meeting
- North Central Fire Chiefs meeting
- Wood County Chiefs Meeting
- Held 5 different Trainings with our Mutual Aid Partners
- All Department Night Drill
- Held EMR Training – ICS Blue Card Command
- Attended the TEMS Committee meeting
- Cadet training Topic –
- Recruiting at WRAMS with 300 8th Graders
- Recruiting at CVIC
- Attended Career day at Lincoln High School
- MSTC EMS Advisory meeting
- Had speak your peace training on each crew
- ACLS – EP training
- Member attended the Farm Ag Train the Trainer held in Pittsville
- Mayors Monthly Touch Base Meeting
- EMS Training Topic - (On scene death responsibilities, FOGreview, EKGcase studies)
- All crews are completing Fire Prevention in the schools

October Anniversaries: None

Notable Responses:

Mutual Aid Fires: Rudolph, Vesper

Motor Vehicle Accidents: 15

Gas leaks: 2

Fires: 2 rubbish fires, 1 Chimney Fire



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WRFD Notes:

October always finds the department engaged with the Grade Schools during Fire Prevention week. We were in every Grade School in the city and our target every year is the Kindergarteners and Third Graders. Kindergarten are introduced to the Fire Prevention concept with Sparky/s Fire Prevention Video, as well as meeting a Firefighter as they put their Fire gear on so they can see that the scary person in the suit was really just a Firefighter. They then get to interact with them as they crawl around the class. The Third Graders are taken into the Safety House where they talk about Fire Safety in a Kitchen, Living room and Bedroom setting. They then practice a Fire drill where they climb down the escape ladder on the trailer. When finished a discussion on the use of 911, how to call 911 properly, a safe meeting place and of course testing their smoke detectors with Mom & Dad when they get home. Fire Prevention week is always the week of October 10, the day of the great Chicago Fire and the even more devastating fire in Peshtigo Wisconsin on that same night. Since the inception of Fire Prevention week was introduced in 1925 by President Coolidge, the act of training Americans from grade school on with Fire Prevention has reduced the number of fire related deaths in America to one quarter the number of deaths from years prior.

During the Month of October we gave out two citizens awards for two employees of Wal-Mart that initiated by stander CPR to a customer that had went Pulseless and Non-breathing. Early CPR is the first link in the chain of survival in cardiac arrest. The two Ladies responded to the side of the customer and initiated immediate CPR. When our Medics arrived, they were doing flawless CPR, a tribute to their dedication to their fellow neighbors.

In the month of October, we implemented a new Incident Command system that we have been working on for a year now. The final stage was to role the new system out to our mutual aid partners in a classroom setting to give an overview of the concept, and an all hands on training to exercise the system. Our department members, and the Officers and members of seven departments that encircle the city that we use as Mutual Aid in larger events attended five different classroom presentations. The process culminated on Tuesday October 18 when we held the practical portion encompassing 6 departments including our own and nearly 50 Firefighters and Officers to exercise the concept. The night saw everyone on the training grounds working through the flow path of the resources as they worked the simulated Emergency scene. Many Thanks to all our Mutual Aid partners with their willingness to evaluate and improve emergency scenes across the county by their commitment to timely response and Professional deployment.



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WRFD October 2022 MONTHLY RESPONSE REPORT

Type of Emergency	October 2022 Responses	Total # of 2022 Responses	October 2021 Responses	Total # of 2021 Responses
EMS 911	372	3,624	373	3396
EMS IFT	5	58	6	156
COMMUNITY PARAMEDICINE	1	12	1	10
FIRE	5	34	3	42
EXPLOSION (No Fire)	0	0	0	0
HAZARDOUS CONDITION	6	29	4	43\39
SERVICE CALLS	5	47	7	72
GOOD INTENT	3	60	0	0
FALSE ALARMS/WEATHER	3	72	9	79
TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE	400	3,936	403	3794

Notes:

- Fire 100 Series: Fire (s *tructure, 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	October 2022	2022 Totals	October 2021	2021 Totals
Wisconsin Rapids	286	2,882	318	3,017
Saratoga	28	263	31	230
Village Port Edwards	7	121	20	108
Village Biron	25	121	12	92
Town of Port Edwards	8	77	0	0
Nekoosa	25	238	0	0
Cranmoor	0	7	0	0
Mutual Aid Given	11	76	12	65
Mutual Aid Received	10	151	10	283
TOTALS	400	3,936	403	3,794

Confined Space Stand-by	October 2022	Total # 2022	October 2021	Total # 2021
TOTALS	52	383	11	332



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