



# 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, WRFD Fire Chief  
Date: June 2, 2020  
RE: Monthly Summary for May 2020

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

- Police and Fire Commission meeting
- Common Council meeting
- North Central Fire Chiefs meeting
- WRFD Officers meeting
- WRFD Health & Safety committee meeting
- Labor-Management meeting
- EMS committee meeting
- Numerous Covid-19 meetings
- Boys and Girls Club/YMCA safety meeting
- Entry level firefighter field training testing requirements
- Engine company operations training
- SCBA and Rapid Intervention Team training
- EMS training focusing on pediatric patients
- Ladder testing completed
- Wisconsin State Firefighters Memorial lawn care and spring clean-up (Crew #2)
- Responded to fires at both city compost sites. The east side fire had the potential to become a large scale operation due to location, wind and dry conditions
- Stove fire at 448 Pepper. Minimal damage to structure

## WRFD Notes:

As restrictions surrounding Covid-19 are being lifted and many of the procedures and measures that were implemented to reduce the spread of the virus are eased, the WRFD will leave several internal policies in-place. We will continue with morning medical screenings and ask any employee that has a fever or respiratory symptoms that mimic the virus to stay away from work until they are tested or are symptom free for ten days. We will continue to wear surgical masks on every EMS call and upgrade to higher levels of PPE for positive responses. We will continue to limit access to the fire stations, with exceptions made for deliveries or essential business.

We have begun to conduct annual fire inspections with the initial focus placed on low traffic areas, such as; apartment complexes, schools, churches and liquor license holders (before normal business hours). The precautions we continue to take are aimed to minimize the risk of exposure for our members so the department reduces the risk of potential spread from us to the most vulnerable population that we treat on a daily basis, the residents in skilled and assisted living facilities and patients at local clinics and hospitals.



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## WRFD MAY 2020 MONTHLY RESPONSE REPORT

Type of Emergency	May 2020 Responses	Total # of 2020 Responses	May 2019 Responses	Total # of 2019 Responses	Year to Date % 2020/2019
EMS 911	265	1306	275	1324	1.4%
EMS IFT	22	102	33	166	39.5%
COMMUNITY PARAMEDICINE	0	3	1	7	59%
FIRE	7	18	9	21	14.3%
HAZARDOUS CONDITON	1	19	8	24	20.8%
SERVICE CALLS	9	37	4	26	30.7%
FALSE ALARMS	8	42	11	36	14.3%
TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE	312	1527	341	1604	4.8%

### Notes:

Fire category includes structure, vehicle rubbish, and wildland fires. Hazardous conditions include chemical release and spills, combustible/flammable leaks and spills, electrical wiring or equipment problems. False Alarms commercial fire alarm system activation, no fire. Service calls include smoke and carbon monoxide activation, water removal, burning complaints and public assistance.

Runs by District	May 2020	2020 Totals	May 2019	2019 Totals
Wisconsin Rapids	277	1329	304	1416
Saratoga	18	92	18	87
Village Port Edwards	7	52	10	43
Village Biron	3	34	8	40
Mutual Aid Given	4	15	1	9
Mutual Aid Received	3	5	0	9
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>1527</b>	<b>341</b>	<b>1604</b>

Confined Space Stand-by	May 2020	Total # 2020	May 2019	Total # 2019
TOTALS	72	273	43	234