



# Wisconsin Rapids Fire Department

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

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To: Mayor Zach Vruwink, Wisconsin Rapids Police and Fire Commission, Wisconsin Rapids Common Council  
From: Scott Young, WRFDFire Chief  
Date: March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020  
RE: Monthly Summary for February 2020

## WRFDMeetings, events and training for the month of February:

- Police and Fire Commission meeting
- Common Council meeting
- Tactical EMS Committee meeting
- EMS Committee meeting
- Labor-Management meeting
- WRFDOfficers meeting
- 5 Bugles and city personnel fire station design discussion
- Engine company participated in National Read-a-Book day at Grove School
- Invited to Immanuel Lutheran School for an "ice cream social"
- Boy Scout troop toured station #1
- Wood County car seat installation
- Provided EMS stand-by for the Polar Plunge that was held at the Ridges
- All members completed their annual hazmat physical assessment and certification
- Had a member complete a budgeting course at the NFA
- Wisconsin State Fire Chiefs Educational Spring Conference
- 3 members continue Fire Officer II certification classes
- WRFDF<sup>r</sup> Responder Monthly Training
- EMS training focusing on airway pharmacology and principles behind Delayed Sequence Intubation
- Wildland Fire training given by the DNR
- Search and Rescue techniques and training at the WRPS administration building
- Annual department meeting

## Response notes:

- Cooking fire at 151 12<sup>th</sup> Ave So. Fire was contained to the area of the stove. Crew remained on scene to ventilate the structure
- 2 vehicle fires that resulted in significant damage
- Responded to a water flow alarm at 2911 Peach St. Alarm caused by broking sprinkler line. Engine company shut down the fire protection system and assisted with clean-up
- Responded to several high profile EMS incidents, include; an industrial accident at Verso, ATV accident in the Town of Saratoga

## WRFDNotes:

October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020 will mark the 100-year anniversary of the Wisconsin Rapids Fire Department. It was on this date that a full time fire department was established. The original fire department was founded in 1873 as a group of "loosely organized volunteers". Between 1873 and 1920 two fire departments, Grand Rapids and Centralia, proudly served the community, each covering separate sides of the river. Over the next couple of months members will be exploring ways to recognize the proud tradition that the department has established while honoring those that served before us.



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## WRFD FEBRUARY 2020 MONTHLY RESPONSE REPORT

Type of Emergency	February 2020 Responses	Total # of 2020 Responses	February 2019 Responses	Total # of 2019 Responses	Year to Date % 2019/2020
EMS 911	289	563	255	533	5.5%
EMS IFT	19	42	31	69	49%
COMMUNITY PARAMEDICINE	1	2	2	5	85%
FIRE	4	7	3	4	55%
HAZARDOUS CONDITION	3	7	7	10	35%
SERVICE CALLS	11	14	4	10	33%
FALSE ALARMS	8	15	8	14	7%
TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE	335	650	310	645	<1%

### 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	February 2020	2020 Totals	February 2019	2019 Totals
Wisconsin Rapids	289	563	280	574
Saratoga	24	41	15	35
Village Port Edwards	13	25	6	12
Village Biron	6	14	5	17
Mutual Aid Given	3	6	2	4
Mutual Aid Received	0	1	2	3
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>335</b>	<b>650</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>645</b>

Confined Space Stand-by	February 2020	Total # 2020	February 2019	Total # 2019
TOTALS	24	90	35	95