

MONTHLY REPORT

To:	Mayor Stratthdee and Members of Council
From:	Emergency Services / Fire Department
Date of Meeting:	27 February 2018
Subject:	FD 02-2018 February Monthly Report (Emergency Services)

RECOMMENDATION

THAT FD 02-2018 February Monthly Report (Emergency Services) be received for information.

DEPARTMENTAL HIGHLIGHTS

During the month of February (12 January – 15 February 2018) the Fire Department responded to 14 emergency responses most notably:

- Automatic Alarms – 6
- Motor Vehicle Accidents (MVA) – 2
- Fire – Vehicle Fire - 1
- Medical response - 2
- Vital Signs absent (VSA) – 1
- Pre-Fire Condition – 1
- Carbon Monoxide Alarm – 1

The St. Marys Firefighters have responded to 23 calls for service (01 Jan – 15 Feb 18) compared to 12 emergency responses last year (1 Jan – 15 Feb 17).

Brian Leverton (Fire Prevention Officer) has completed the following since being hired 2nd of January 2018.

- 0 complaints
- 1 Follow up and ongoing
- 1 Safety Concern*
- 4 vulnerable occupancy inspections and fire drills
- 12 Requests (fire route signage)
- 21 Routine (schools and restaurants)
- 2 Fire investigations (agricultural and residential)
 - Pig barn was totally destroyed which made entry impossible and oven fire where tenant accidentally set oven to clean with food inside.

*The safety concern was initiated by the suppression division that noticed the tenant did not have the correct amount of required working smoke alarms. We have therefore started a program where we loan the tenant the correct amount of smoke or CO alarms and we install them as to Code. The tenant has 10 days to return the alarms, if not we will invoice for the outstanding alarms. If this is a rental property the owner shall be responsible. The fire prevention personal will return to the address to retrieve the alarms but also make sure the house is properly protected.

Firefighters have completed theory and practical training for the new Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCAB) during two training sessions in the month of January 2018. New SCBA's have been placed in service on the vehicles.

The old SCBA cylinders have been sold and I am making arrangements to sell the masks and harnesses.

The air compressor has been upgraded to accommodate two 4500 psi lines versus just one that we currently have.

21 fire department personnel have completed the Legislation course.

Fire Department is now conducting online courses offered by the Emergency Response Safety Institute. This was initiated to conduct formal training for firefighters when dealing with traffic control during emergency response to motor vehicle accidents. Some of the topics include; Advance Warning, Blocking Procedures, High Visibility, Intro to Fire Service Traffic Control Professional, Law Enforcement and High Visibility PPE, Manual on Uniform Control Devices, Move it or work it...

OUTSTANDING ISSUES AND PROJECT LIST

3 Firefighters that completed the NFPA 1021 Fire Officer Level I course have been course loaded on a NFPA 1041 Fire Service Instructor course in April 2018.

Fire Chief has placed the Firefighters training on hold with regards to them receiving their NFPA 1001 Firefighter Level II. Currently the OFMEM and OFCA are in the draft stage of reopening the "Grandfathering" to target fire departments that were eligible in 2013/2014, but did not peruse the option when initially offered then. Fire Chief is working in conjunction with HR to acknowledge our concerns as it pertains to St. Marys. More to follow.

Fire Chief will make arrangements to course load Firefighters on a series of courses throughout the 2018 with an end result of them achieving their NFPA 1021 Fire Officer Level I.

SPENDING AND VARIANCE ANALYSIS

The Fire department was able to generate some revenue through the sale of the old used Scott SCBA cylinders – INOAC \$994.40, South Huron \$3,176.10, Perth East \$1,427.30 = \$5,597.80

The Fire Department has purchased or contracted the following work:

- Air Compressor upgrades \$1,241.87
- Flashlights \$700.60

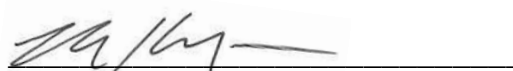
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Recommended by the Department



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