

Fire Department Report, March 2022

In February, the Department responded to 21 calls for service: 9 Medical, 6 Mutual Aid (5 structure fires, 1 medical), 2 Medical Alarms, 1 Motor Vehicle Accident, 1 Fire, 1 burn Complaint, and 1 Assist United States Coast Guard. Department Members completed a total of 511 hours in the month of February. Total hours consisted of 203 training, 134 responding to calls for service, and 174 in the Station or Meetings.

Volunteer Activity and Status:

13 volunteers responded to calls for service again in February. Nine volunteers were very active with response rates above 20% of our calls for service.

Lieutenant Jacob Griffith responded to 89% of our calls for service followed by Fire fighter Saindon with 84%. Great job, keep up the good work.

Firefighter Saindon led the volunteers with 80 hours for the month. Lieutenant Jacob Griffith was close behind with 79 hours for the month of February.

We have completed on boarding 1 of our applicants, and the other 4 are in phase 2 of our on boarding process.

We remain 6 volunteers short to our pre covid-19 volunteer level. Our current call volume dictates that we try to increase our volunteer level to 25, or 6 more than we had at the beginning of 2020.

Training Program:

We still have 2 volunteers attending an EMT class in Rockaway Beach. Two of our new members are scheduled to begin a FF1 academy beginning March 9th in Nehalem Bay. We are also planning a Driver Pumper Operator Class as soon as is practical. Currently Acting Assistant Chief Kapiniak, and I are the only certified Pump Operators.

Our EMS training program has focused on adding our lucas device to our High Quality CPR program. We will be participating in CPR/AED/Lucas training on Wed. 3/2/2022.

We are awaiting the completion of the on boarding process for our current applicants to conduct a Fire Department Orientation for our newest members.

Administrative:

In January, I worked 152 hours, and was the on call duty officer for an additional 424 hours.

I am beyond struggling now, and I am simply choosing the least critical tasks to delay or postpone. These tasks include Fleet Maintenance, Equipment replacement planning, Facility Maintenance, as well as a few policy and guideline updates. I am not able to accomplish all that is required with the hours I am currently working, and I will not be able to maintain this pace for much longer.

Volunteer on boarding continues to consume time. Acting Assistant Chief Kapiniak has been learning the HR process to assist on boarding applicants.

Officer development toward report writing and use of our records management system continues.

Pre-Hospital EMS.

We received our Lucas device and created a home for it. We have also begun to design response criteria for its use. Currently the Lucas is housed in the rescue bay, with access to shore power. As mentioned under training, we are proceeding toward full deployment as soon as possible.

We are continuing to meet our EMS requirements with equipment and training.

We are at a point where we will soon be required to purchase all of our EMS supplies and equipment. AH will no longer be able to supply anything to local Fire Departments. This will require a program and inventory management strategy to ensure we have all of the items needed to provide quality Pre Hospital EMS delivery to the citizens of Bay City. We are required to maintain the supplies, medication, and equipment required to meet our current scope. With the addition of our new EMTs our scope will increase, which in turn will require a few more items be added to our kits.

Regarding the above, I have reached out to a few citizens in the area as well as volunteers to start helping with the development of a program to maintain our EMS equipment, medication, and supplies.

Permits, Development, and Fire Life Safety:

Permit Technician Madison continues to be proactive in maintaining permit intake and communication.

Long Term Concerns;

1) The Kennel on McCoy Ave. The second RV has been moved off of the lot. I continue to have concerns about the status of several unpermitted and un inspected structures being used to house animals, and offered as a business open to the public. This remains an issue for Code Enforcement and Land Use review.

- 2) Bay Front Lane, 1 ongoing building permit with unmet permit conditions, including adequate Fire Access and Water Supply, and Another possible building permit with the same issues. Again, this is an issue for the Building code Official and possibly some Zoning and Land Use action. City Manager Welch has drafted a letter to address the parking concerns along Bay Front Lane.
- 3) McRae and Sons Precision Wood Working. The Fire Sprinkler System for their facility is currently impaired. They have had an inspection completed, and repaired the check valve for their Fire Department Connection. Unfortunately during the recent freezing weather, the stand pipe filled with water and froze. I advised Ralph McRae of this when I tried to remove an adapter we placed on the system several years ago. I still intend on inspecting this occupancy with a Deputy State Fire Marshal as soon as the current covid-19 issues allow.
- 4) Residency and un-permitted construction at 9120/9140 5th Street, Art Space. Current residential occupancy continues, and I have recently noticed a wood stove being used in the occupancy. I don't remember the stove in the past? This is a matter for a land use review with regard to conditional use, and change of occupancy. How did it change from a restaurant to a residential occupancy?
 5) Un Permitted Construction and residency at Center Market, 9320 5th St. Deputy Fire Marshal Dugan and I conducted an inspection of this occupancy and the Manager admitted that they had added an apartment. They were advised to contact the City of Bay City for Zoning and Land Use review, and that they would then have to apply for permits with the County for the work that had been completed. In a follow up visit along with Deputy State Fire Marshal Dugan we found that several deficiencies in our last inspection had been fixed, however the new construction is still being used as a residence. We advised the Manager that they need to approach the City for a Zoning permit and the County for building permits for the change of occupancy.

Current Observations and concerns;

- 1) On street parking continues to be of concern. We continue to see numerous conditions of on street parking on City Streets and Right of Ways. This trend seems to be increasing and is affecting traffic patterns and roadway visibility.
- 2) Parked and/or abandoned Vehicles present so long they are becoming entangled in brush.

Fire Season:

As of October 1st, Fire Season is over. Debris burning is once again allowed with a valid permit. Permits are free of charge and available at City Hall.

I have asked Oregon Department of Forestry for dual subscription address within the city of Bay City to begin a fire wise, Wildland Urban Interface defensible space program for our community.

Fire Protection Continuity:

The Fire Committee continues to meet to discuss communication and education strategies to increase volunteer recruitment.

Garibaldi and Rockaway Beach have applied for a SAFER volunteer coordinator that if awarded will also help Bay City with volunteer recruitment and retention.

Recruiting:

We are still very short of volunteers.

Respectfully,

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Payroll and Attendance February 2022

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