

COUNCIL REPORT

To: Mayor and Council

From: Fire Chief, Jamie Guise

Date: December 1, 2023

Subject: Fire Department Month End Report, November 2023

FIRE DEPARTMENT RESPONSES:

Code	Description	Number of Calls this Period	Year to Date
AOA	Assist other Agency	2	35
FAL	False Alarm		25
FRC	Fire Chimney		1
FRS	Structure Fire	1	7
FRV	Vehicle Fire		1
GSL	Gas/Spill Leak		2
FRW	Wildland Fire		3
MVI	Motor Vehicle Incident	2	28
INV	Investigation no Fire		1
BC	Burning Complaint	1	24
CO	Carbon Monoxide Alarm	1	2
EH	Electrical Hazard		2
PS	Public Service		2
TOTALS		7	133

- AOA - 6 **November @ 21:14**– Requested by BCAS to assist with a lift. Crews were required to assist BCAS with moving a patient into an awaiting ambulance before returning to the Hall.
- AOA - 9 **November @ 22:30**– Requested by BCAS to assist with a lift. Crews were required to assist BCAS with moving a patient into an awaiting ambulance before returning to the Hall.
- MVI - 10 **November @ 18:22**– Report of a single vehicle rollover on Hwy 97 north of Mackenzie Junction. While responding, crews were waved down at a different

Rescue stopped, it was the driver from the original call, they were out, and we were not required. Got paramedics to check out the driver and crews returned to the Hall.

- FRS - 19 **November @ 14:57**– Report of a Structure Fire at Conifex Site 2 Sawmill. Upon arrival, lots of smoke showing. Crews entered extinguished the fire and then looked for any extension. Crews cleaned up before returning to the Hall.
- MVI - 20 **November @ 08:17**– Report of a semi tractor trailer rollover on Hwy 97 north of the junction. Crews responded to the Northern Boundary, this incident was still North of their location but Chetwynd Fire was responding to it as well. Rescue stood down and returned to the Hall.
- BC - 20 **November @ 21:00**– Chief 2 received a call from a concerned citizen that they could smell burning plastics from a fire their neighbor was having. Upon arrival there was no fire and they assured that they were not burning any plastic. Chief 2 returned to the Hall.
- CO - 30 **November @ 18:31**– Report of a CO detector going off at a business. Chief 2 attended the scene and confirmed that CO was present. Workers were evacuated and the unit was secure. Fortis was going to be a couple hours, Chief 2 arranged for maintenance to wait for their arrival. Chief 2 cleared and returned to the hall.

VOLUNTEER FIRE FIGHTERS TRAINING NIGHTS SCHEDULE:

7 November – Planning and Meeting Night

- a. Occupational Health & Safety Committee
- b. Management Team and Officers Meeting
- c. Monthly Training Plan
- d. Coordinate Work Plan Activities
- e. Complete Apparatus, Equipment and Facilities Checks
- f. Conduct Association Business Meeting

14 November- Firefighter Skills Development

- a. Senior members participated in vehicle stabilization and patient removal training.
- b. Probationary members participated in ventilation.
- c. New Probationary members participated in Fire Hall orientation.

21 November- Firefighter Skills Development

- a. Senior Members participated in power tool and air tools set up.
- b. Probationary members participated in forcible entry and tool maintenance training.
- c. New Probationary members participated in communication training.

28 November- Firefighter Skills Development

- a. Senior Members participated in vehicle extrication training with the hydraulic tools.
- b. All Probationary members participated in a PowerPoint on fire behaviour.

FIRE & LIFE SAFETY INSPECTIONS:

11 fire safety inspections were conducted in the month of November.

FIRE FIGHTERS SCHEDULE:

November 11 – The Fire Department participated in the Remembrance Day Parade and March.

November 27-30 – Fire Department lent wildland equipment for CNC to put on S100 and S185 courses.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Nothing to report for Emergency Management

FIRE DEPARTMENT MEMBERSHIP:

Position	Allocation	Actual
Fire Chief	1	1
Deputy Fire Chief	1	1
Assistant Chiefs	2	1
Training Officers	2	1
Captains	4	2
Lieutenants	4	3
Engineers	4	1
Fire Fighters	20	11
Total Fire Fighting Force	38	21
Fire Fighters (Probationary)		8

Fire Fighter (Junior)	4	3
Leave of Absence		

NEW FIRE HALL BUILD EXPENSES TO DATE

The construction of the new fire hall continues.

The District of Mackenzie has expensed the following amounts for the project to date:

Category	Vendor	Expense to date
Design	Field Lievers Architecture	\$ 545,000
Project Management	Colliers Project Leaders	\$ 8,289
Geotechnical	GeoNorth	\$ 25,534
Survey	McElhanney	\$ 7,203
Construction Contract	Southwest Design & Construction	\$ 4,654,315
FF&E	Furniture and Fixtures	\$ 177,823
Construction Management Fee	JenCol Construction	\$ 27,590
Miscellaneous*	Various	\$ 279,449
	Overall Budget Expense	\$ 5,725,203

*Miscellaneous expenses include: Hydro, legal, wages, benefits, minor contracting, and supplies.

Project works to date are as follows:

- Building is nearing substantial completion.
- Final Painting inside has started.

Total Project Budget = \$6.5 million

Total Expenses To Date = \$5,725,203

Total Budget Remaining = \$774,797

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Jamie Guise, Fire Chief

Reviewed By: Corporate and Financial Services

Approved By: Chief Administrative Officer