

COUNCIL REPORT

To: Mayor and Council

From: Fire Chief, Jamie Guise

Date: January 2, 2024

Subject: Fire Department Month End Report, December 2023

FIRE DEPARTMENT RESPONSES:

Code	Description	Number of Calls this Period	Year to Date
AOA	Assist other Agency	4	39
FAL	False Alarm	2	27
FRC	Fire Chimney		1
FRS	Structure Fire		7
FRV	Vehicle Fire		1
GSL	Gas/Spill Leak	1	3
FRW	Wildland Fire		3
MVI	Motor Vehicle Incident	4	32
INV	Investigation no Fire		1
BC	Burning Complaint		24
CO	Carbon Monoxide Alarm		2
EH	Electrical Hazard		2
PS	Public Service		2
TOTALS		11	144

- MVI 1 **December @** 14:35– Report of a single vehicle rollover on Hwy 97 north of Mackenzie Junction. Upon arrival of responding crews, it was noted the driver was out, and there were minor injuries. Paramedics arrived to check out the driver and the crew returned to the Hall.
- MVI 2 **December @** 01:21– Report of a single MVI on Hwy 97 south of Mackenzie Junction. Responding crews and BCAS did not come across any accidents. Crews returned to the Hall.



- AOA 2 **December @** 13:36– 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 6 **December @** 00:47– 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.
- GSL 6 **December @** 08:50– Report of a smell of natural gas. Chief 2 attended the scene and confirmed that natural gas was present. Chief 2 and Fortis Gas located a leaking gas meter on Blackwater Cres. Fortis Gas representative said he was going to fix the meter. Chief 2 cleared and returned to Hall.
- FAL 10 **December @** 21:48– Report of residential alarms activated. Upon the arrival of Chief 2 it was noted that the alarms were false due to cooking. Chief 2 returned to the Hall.
- MVI 11 **December @** 17:11– Report of a single vehicle hitting a moose on Hwy 39 south of Mackenzie. While responding, crews were informed that there was no entrapment. Crews returned to the Hall.
- AOA 15 **December @** 00:15– Requested by BCAS for an emergency lift assist. Crews were required to assist BCAS with CPR on the patient before returning to the Hall.
- AOA 15 **December @** 11:37– 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 17 **December @** 09:21– Report of a snowplow in the ditch on Hwy 97 north of the Junction. While responding, crews were informed that there was no entrapment. Crews returned to the Hall.
- FAL 18 **December @** 14:32– Report of alarms activated. While responding, Chief 1 received a call that the alarms were false. Chief 1 returned to the Hall.

VOLUNTEER FIRE FIGHTERS TRAINING NIGHTS SCHEDULE:

5 December – 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
- **12 December** Firefighter Skills Development
- a. Senior members participated in over the bank training.
- b. New Probationary members participated in bunker gear training.
- **19 December-** Firefighter Skills Development
- a. All Members participated in Annual Chief's Night.
- 26 December- Firefighter Skills Development
- a. Statutory Holiday, no Practice.

FIRE & LIFE SAFETY INSPECTIONS:

4 fire safety inspections were conducted in the month of December.

FIRE FIGHTERS SCHEDULE:

December 9 – The Fire Department participated in the Parade of Lights.

- December 15 Fire Department hosted its annual Christmas Party for current and past members.
- December 17 Fire Department hosted the annual Kids Christmas party. Afterwards a team with Santa went to visit the patients in the Hospital.

December 19-20 – Fire Department conducted interviews for a FireSmart Emergency Coordinator.

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)		9	
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	\$	635,000	
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	\$	5,815,203	

*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 = \$6,500,000 Total Expenses To Date = \$5,815,203 Total Budget Remaining = \$684,797



RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Jamie Guise, Fire Chief

Reviewed By: Corporate and Financial Services **Approved By:** Chief Administrative Officer