

COUNCIL REPORT

To: Mayor and Council

From: Fire Chief, Jamie Guise

Date: December 16, 2024

Subject: Fire Department Month End Report, November 2024

FIRE DEPARTMENT RESPONSES:

Code	Description	Number of Calls this Period	Year to Date
AOA	Assist other Agency	4	30
BC	Burning Complaint		14
CO	Carbon Monoxide Alarm		1
FAL	False Alarm	3	27
FRC	Chimney Fire		1
FRD	Dumpster Fire		1
FRS	Structure Fire	1	7
FRV	Vehicle Fire		4
FRR	Rubbish Fire		1
FRW	Fire Wildland		5
FRU	Fire Unclassified		1
MVI	Motor Vehicle Incident	8	45
INV	Investigation no Fire		1
PS	Public Service	1	13
EH	Electrical Hazard	1	3
TOTALS		18	154

MVI - 4 November @ 17:54 – Report of an MVI on Hwy 39. When Chief 1 arrived on the scene, the patient was out of the vehicle and in the care of BCAS. The crew stood down and returned to the hall.

FRS - 9 November @ 22:41 – Report of a Structure Fire. Crews were required to extinguish the Fire before returning to the hall.

AOA - 11 November @ 09:30 – Requested by BCAS for a Lift Assist. Crews were required to move a patient from their home and into an ambulance before returning to the hall.

- MVI - 14 November @ 08:00 – Chief 1 came across a truck in the ditch on Mackenzie Blvd. Lone occupant was out of the vehicle and waiting for a tow truck.
- MVI – 14 November @ 14:50 – Report of an MVI on Hwy 97, south of McLeod Lake. When crews arrived on scene, there were no occupants in the vehicle. The crew stood down and returned to hall.
- MVI – 14 November @ 21:24 – Report of an MVI on Hwy 97 north of the junction. While on route, crews were updated there was no entrapment. Crews stood down and returned to hall.
- MVI – 16 November @ 07:48 – Report of an MVI on Hwy 97 near Bear Lake. While on route, crews were updated there was no entrapment. The crew stood down and returned to hall.
- MVI – 18 November @ 13:29 – Report of an MVI on Hwy 97 north of the junction. When crews arrived on scene, there was no entrapment. The crew stood down and returned to hall.
- MVI – 21 November @ 11:43 – Report of an MVI on Hwy 97 North of the Junction. When crews arrived on scene, there was no entrapment. The crew stood down and returned to hall.
- EH – 22 November @ 19:52 – Report of downed power lines. Chief 1 & 2 located two separate incidents and waited on scene for BC Hydro to arrive, before clearing the scene.
- FAL – 23 November @ 00:44 – Report of Residential Fire Alarms Activated. Chief 2 investigated and determined it was a false alarm, before returning to the hall.
- AOA – 23 November @ 04:15 – BCAS requested assistance with gaining access to a residence. Crews assisted with access and moving the patient down the stairs to a waiting ambulance before returning to the hall.
- AOA – 23 November @ 08:00 – BCAS requested a Class 4 Driver to drive the ambulance for a couple of hours.
- PS – 23 November @ 11:45 – Chief 1 received a call about a tree that fell on a house. No one was trapped or injured, and the homeowner was advised that the fire department was not able to remove the tree.
- MVI – 26 November @ 10:29 – Report of an MVI on Hwy 97 north of the Junction. Crews did not respond as there was no entrapment.

- FAL – 27 November @ 14:03 – Report of Commercial Fire Alarms Activated. This was a false alarm due to testing on the system.
- FAL – 28 November @ 08:04 – Report of Commercial Fire Alarms Activated. This was a false alarm due to testing.
- AOA – 29 November @ 09:53 – BCAS requested crews for a Lift Assist. Crews were required to move a patient from their residence and into a waiting ambulance before returning to the hall.

VOLUNTEER FIRE FIGHTERS TRAINING NIGHTS SCHEDULE:

5 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

12 November – Firefighter Skills Development

- a. Probationary members participated in Forcible Entry training.
- b. Senior members participated in Rope Rescue Training.
- c. New Probationary members participated in Self Contained Breathing Apparatus training.

19 November – Firefighter Skills Development

- a. Senior members participated in Rope Rescue training.
- b. Probationary members participated in Scene Illumination and Hydrant Hookup training.
- c. New Probationary participated in Utility control and Accountability training.

26 November – Firefighter Skills Development

- a. Senior members participated in a Rope Rescue Scenario.

- b. Probationary members participated in Chainsaw Operations and Hydrant Hookup training.
- a. New Probationary conducted Scene Illumination and Traffic Control training.

FIRE & LIFE SAFETY INSPECTIONS:

1 fire safety inspection was conducted in the month of November.

FIRE FIGHTERS SCHEDULE:

November 11 – Fire Department members participated in Remembrance Day Parade and ceremony

November 22 – Members helped flood the outdoor ice rink at the Recreation Center

November 25 – Members helped flood the outdoor ice rink at the Recreation Center

November 27 – Members helped flood the outdoor ice rink at the Recreation Center

FIRE SMART

November 7 – Fire Smart Coordinator meet with BC Wildfire about clean-up work around townsite

November 12/13 – BC Wildfire Service Crews conducted minor cleanup of woody debris around Fraser Blvd, Centennial Drive, and the Tree Crusher.

November 18 – Fire Smart Coordinator and Fire Chief met with BC Wildfire Service for CRI Post-Grant approval meeting

November 20 – Fire Smart Coordinator and Fire Chief attended Asset Management Meeting

November 26 – Ordered Structure Protection Trailer and Fire Pumps under the 2025 Fire Smart Grant

November 27 – Fire Smart Coordinator Attended online Home Partners Program session for the transition to the New Fire smart Assessment Program

FIRE DEPARTMENT MEMBERSHIP:

Position	Allocation	Actual
Fire Chief	1	1
Deputy Fire Chief	1	0
Assistant Chiefs	2	1
Training Officers	2	2
Captains	4	2
Lieutenants	4	2
Engineers	4	2
Fire Fighters	20	9
Total Fire Fighting Force	38	20
Fire Fighters (Probationary)		6
Fire Fighter (Junior)	4	4
Leave of Absence		

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Jamie Guise, Fire Chief

Reviewed By: Corporate and Financial Services

Approved By: Chief Administrative Officer