

COUNCIL REPORT

To: Mayor and Council

From: Fire Chief, Jamie Guise

Date: May 9, 2025

Subject: Fire Department Month End Report, April 2025

FIRE DEPARTMENT RESPONSES:

Code	Description	Number of Calls this Period	Year to Date
AOA	Assist other Agency	2	12
FAL	False Alarm	0	3
MVI	Motor Vehicle Incident	2	11
PS	Public Service	0	4
BC	Burn Complaint	2	2
GSL	Gas Leak	1	1
FRE	Electrical Fire	1	1
TOTALS		8	36

- BC - 4 April @ 17:00 – Report of a fire below the Little Mac Ski Hill. The officer on call responded and instructed the two individuals to extinguish the fire in the barrel. They were also informed of the designated areas where fires are permitted.
- AOA – 6 April @ 22:22 – 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.
- AOA – 7 April @ 14:12 – Requested by BCAS for a Lift Assist. Crews were required to move a patient from an ambulance into their home before returning to the hall.
- GSL – 8 April @ 12:36 – A gas leak was reported in the Industrial Site. Chief 1 and Chief 2 responded to the scene and advised the property representative on proper hazardous materials procedures. Conditions were favorable for venting, and the property representative was instructed to await the arrival of Fortis BC.
- MVI – 14 April @ 23:15 – Report of an MVI on Hwy 39. While responding, crews were informed by RCMP that there was no entrapment. Crews stood down.

- MVI - 21 April @ 14:02 – Report of an MVI on Hwy 97 North of the Junction. Crews were required to assist with patients before returning to the hall.
- BC - 25 April @ 12:55 – Report of a Burn Complaint. The officer on call responded and instructed the resident that burning their lawn was against the District's bylaw. The resident complied and put out the fire.
- FRE - 21 April @ 17:53 – Report of laundry machine on fire. The officer on call responded and was able to deal with the smoking machine. The officer waited for the property representative before returning to the hall.

VOLUNTEER FIRE FIGHTERS TRAINING NIGHTS SCHEDULE:

1 April – 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

8 April – Training Night

- a. Fire Fighters participated in hydrant training.
- b. Probationary Fire Fighters participated in Communication Training.

15 April – Training Night

- a. Fire Fighters participated in hydrant and apparatus training.
- b. Probationary Fire Fighters participated in Passport Accountability and Firefighter Safety Training.

22 April – Training Night

- a. Fire Fighters conducted scenarios around Mackenzie.
- b. Probationary Fire Fighters received their PPE.

29 April – Training Night

- c. Fire Fighters participated in a large scenario at Hall #2.
- d. Probationary Fire Fighters participated in donning SCBA and hose training.

FIRE & LIFE SAFETY INSPECTIONS:

1 - Fire safety inspection was conducted in the month of April.

FIRE DEPARTMENT SCHEDULE:

April 3 – Fire Department staff attended an EOC activation and mock evacuation at Mcleod Lake.

April 7 – Commercial inspection on structure protection unit #1.

April 13 – 2 Fire Department members went for Electric Vehicle Training at Ferndale-Tabor Fire Department.

April 23 – Fire Department staff conducted a hall tour for homeschooled kids.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:

April 29 - Emergency Management staff met with Connect Rocket for a Public Alerting System Training Session.

FIRE SMART:

April 2 – Fire Smart Coordinator and Fire Chief attended MWAC meeting.

April 4 – FireSmart Let's Chat Mackenzie Page was launched with information on FireSmart.

April 12 – FireSmart Coordinator attended Wildfire Resiliency and Training Summit in Penticton from April 12th to 17th.

April 22 - Fire Smart Coordinator met with contractor for a Fuel Treatment Project Viewing.

April 22 – FireSmart Coordinator conducted FireSmart Home Assessment.

PERMITS ISSUED:

Permit Type	This Period	Year to Date
Recreational Burn Permit	74	170
Category #1 Burn Permit	1	3
Category #2 Burn Permit	2	2

Category #3 Burn Permit	2	5
Fireworks Permit	0	0
Totals	79	180

FIRE DEPARTMENT MEMBERSHIP:

Position	Allocation	Actual
Fire Chief	1	1
Deputy Fire Chief	1	1
Assistant Chiefs	2	1
Training Officers	2	2
Captains	4	2
Lieutenants	4	2
Engineers	4	2
Fire Fighters	20	8
Total Fire Fighting Force	38	19
Fire Fighters (Probationary)		11
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