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To: The Honorable Mayor, Members of the City Council, and participating Governmental Authorities

Re: Frankfort Fire & Rescue Department Report for April/May 2024.

I. Administrative

- Fire Department
 - Membership There are currently 26 members on the roster and 3 Cadets.
 - 1. Officers Meeting Friday, May 5, 2024 Topics of discussion included:
 - a. Training
 - b. Personnel
 - c. Operations
 - d. The business meeting topics for our May 14th meeting.
 - Business Meeting May 14, 2024.

II. Training

On April 23, 2024, we conducted an exercise at Crystal Downs in Lake Township. This
included utilizing a water supply from both a hydrant and shuttling in water from their
cistern from Sutter Road utilizing our portable hydrant truck. The scenario was to set up
the drop tank and use two fire engines to run 100ft of 2.5-inch hose up to a gated "Y"
and then tap two 1.75 hoses up to the restaurant and maintain a steady flow of water.
This involved the use of their hydrant and a water shuttle operation. We had 16
Firefighters in attendance.

III. Run Report for April 2024.

Fire # / % Responded

EMS # / % Responded

13 / 100%

46 / 100%

Average Response Times: Fire:06 Minutes EMS:08 Minutes

- 1. Crystal Lake Township 6 Fire calls and 11 EMS calls.
 - a. Average Response Times: Fire:06 Minutes EMS:08 Minutes
- 2. Elberta 0 Fire calls and 4 EMS calls.
 - a. Average Response Times: Fire:06 Minutes EMS:05 Minutes
- 3. Lake Township 2 Fire calls and 5 EMS calls.
 - a. Average Response Times: Fire:06 Minutes EMS:11 Minutes
- 4. Gilmore Township 0 Fire calls and 2 EMS calls.
 - a. Average Response Times: Fire:06 Minutes EMS: 05 Minutes

Attached is a summary covering the Month of April for the types of calls we received, frequency, and severity.

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IV. Community Risk Reduction (CCR) / Safety Message

- Attached are flyers for the community on:
 - Electrical Safety May is Electrical Safety Month
 - E-Bike and E-Scooter Safety
 - Dryer Safety

V. Equipment / Building Updates

- 4 Engine 1
 - 1. A hose line broke causing the truck to lose prime after our April 23rd training and had to be repaired.
 - 2. The leaky valves are scheduled to be repaired the week of May 8th.
- 4 Engine 2
 - 1. Had drafting problems.
- The garage doors
 - 1. The springs on the far south/eastern side broke. As a precaution a spare set of springs were ordered as a backup since these springs have a specific life cycle and all of them are nearing the end of that cycle.
 - Just after the garage repair guy left, the garage door springs on the far north/eastern side broke with a bang. On Wednesday, May 1, 2024, they were repaired.
- Last month the Fleet ran a total of 1100.2 Miles and used a total of 59.2 gallons of gasoline and 80.9 gallons of diesel.

VI. Donations / Grants / Agenda Requests and Resolution

Nothing to report.

VII. Fire Recovery USA (Cost Recovery)

In April, we submitted two claims totaling \$1,148.00. We received a total of \$447.72 from Fire Recovery USA.

VIII. Community Relations / Special Events / Meetings Attended

- Med-Control Teams Meeting April 9th. 4
- Short-Term Rental (STR) Inspection April 9th.
- Rotary Meeting April 10th.
- Short-Term Rental (STR) Inspection April 11th.
- LEPC/LPT meeting April 15th.
- Rotary meeting April 17th.
- Short-Term Rental (STR) Inspection April 17th.
- Village of Elberta Meeting April 18th.
- Short-Term Rental (STR) Inspection April 22nd.
- Countywide Chiefs and Association Meeting April 24th.
- Short-Term Rental (STR) Inspection April 26th.
- Short-Term Rental (STR) Inspection April 29th.
- Budget Workshop April 30th.

IX. Happy Notes:

There is nothing more gratifying as a Chief than to see a group of dedicated team members pull together in the rain just to train. Despite the heavy winds and falling temperatures, they persistently pulled together to make it all work. This is further proof that we are more than a Fire Department, we are a family!

EMS provides its challenges and rewards. This past month can be summed up with one word "Compassion". We helped people up and, on their feet, we held a hand and hopefully touched a heart that was hurting. We encouraged some when we could and comforted others during their loss. Most of all we shared and embraced each other when the situation we encountered was heart-wrenching and words were hard to come by, but together we knew because we'd been there before. You celebrate the wins, mourn the losses, and then move on. This is what we do.

As a part of National EMS Week, let us not forget those who help and comfort others.