

Fire Department

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To: The Participating Fire Board Members

Re: Frankfort Fire & Rescue Department Report for June 2024.

I. Administrative

- Fire Department
 - Membership There are 21 members on the active roster, 6 on the fill-ins and non-active roster, and 3 Cadets.
 - On June 26, 2024, three members were sent a Certified Letter requesting they return their pagers, radio, and other fire department gear due to noncompliance with Public Act 291. A deadline of July 15th was set.

II. Training

On Tuesday, June 25, 2024, we held a communications training meeting. We went through all the 800 MHz channels on our radios and trained on the two Emergency Vehicle Repeater System (EVRS) channels in 4 Medical and 4 Rescue. This special channel is used in hard-to-reach areas by transmitting a signal from the handheld radio (3 watts) to a base unit in a truck (5 watts) and then to the nearest tower. Cory Ellis, the 911 Director, was also in attendance to help our members sign up for the new Chief 360 mobile App. We had a total of 15 in attendance.

III. Run Report for May 2024.

Fire # / % Responded	EMS # / % Responded

18 / 100%

41 / 100%

Average Response Times: Fire:11 Minutes EMS:07 Minutes

May breakdown per Municipality

<u>Municipality</u>	EMS	/ <u>Avg. Resp</u>	FIRE / Avg. Resp.	
City of Frankfort	21	:05	5	:06
Elberta	1	:06	1	:10
Lake Township	7	:11	7	:14
Crystal Lake Twp.	11	:08	4	:10
Gilmore Twp	1	:09	1	:12

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

IV. Community Risk Reduction (CCR) / Safety Message

- Attached are flyers for the community on:
 - Babysitting Safety
 - Airbnb Safety Tips.
 - Electrical Water Safety Tips.

V. Equipment / Building Updates

- 4 Engine 1 All the valves have been repaired except for one drain valve on the front suction.
- 2. 4 Engine 2 A part has been ordered for the front suction to boost the intake suction.

Last month the Fleet ran a total of 1,082 Miles using a total of 67.8 gallons of gasoline and 74.7 gallons of diesel.

VI. Donations / Grants / Agenda Requests and Resolution

- The AFG Grants are still under panel review.
- The DNR 50/50 Grant seeking to purchase 15 Wildland Fire Helmets, goggles, and 15 sets of wildland fire gloves was applied for and received.

VII. Community Relations / Special Events

- On Saturday, June 8, 2024, the Frankfort Fire Department said goodbye to one of their own. Gene Luxford served the Citizens of this community for over 25 years. The Fire Department was asked and graciously and honorably agreed to assist with the funeral. Rest Well Gene, your work on earth is done.
- On Friday, June 28, 2024, the fire department met with Amy Somero from the Christian Summer Assembly (CSA) to talk about fire safety ideas for the assembly to look at.
- Coffee with the Residence of Michigan Shore May 13th.
- Conducted a pre-plan of the CSA with Asst. Chief Charlie Thompson and Safety Officer David R. Gum. – May 13th.
- Northwest Regional Medical Control Authority meeting May 14th.
- Conducted Mock Interviews with the Seniors in the Gym at the request of Mr. Zimmerman – May 15th.

VIII. Happy Notes:

What makes people want to join the Fire Department? The number one answer I always receive is "I want to help someone". This past month one of our cadets, who is now a member, got a chance to see firsthand what that means. All in one day, she witnessed a team work relentlessly to save a person's life, assist the National Park Service on a wildfire located on Trails End Rd., and then get called to a possible hazardous materials incident. When the day finally came to an end, I asked how she felt. She realized that this job is more than helping others, it involves helping each other out by making sure we look out for one another on the team both physically and mentally. Making sure that we are all okay and ready for the next batch of unknowns. This is the definition of what the brotherhood/sisterhood of the fire service means.