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To: The Honorary Village of Elberta President and Trustees.

Re: Frankfort Fire & Rescue Department 2024 Calander Year Summary Report.

I. Here are some of the Highlights from 2024

- **Membership**

- a. We currently have 27 members (23 regular members, 4 Fill-ins) and 3 Cadets. This is the same number we had last year.

- **Eberta – Runs (49 Total)**

	<u>EMS</u>	<u>Avg. Response Time</u>	<u>Fire</u>	<u>Avg. Response Time</u>
2024	43	:07	12	:08
2023	44	:08	9	:10
2022	22	-----	12	----

- **A Continuous Improvement Process (CIP) that utilizes Best Practices.**

2022 – We had a 93% response rate for Fire calls.

We had an 80% response rate for EMS calls.

2023 - We had a 100% response rate for Fire calls.

We had a 98% response rate for EMS calls.

2024 - We had a 100% response rate for Fire calls.

We had a 99% response rate for EMS calls.

- Two calls were missed because of back-to-back calls at the same date and time, and we were diverted to the priority that matches our licensure.

- **Summary**

- a. The Community Risk Reduction (CRR) plans implemented in 2022 are beginning to work.
 - i. Our Fire calls are decreasing. Yet we refuse to rest on our laurels as we have worked diligently to improve our response readiness.
 - ii. The fire service is no longer just the Fire Department it's now called "Emergency Services" as we have been tasked with responding to all hazards.
 - iii. In 2024 The Frankfort Fire Department installed – 17 Smoke/CO Detectors in our Fire Service Response Area (FSRA)

The "Formula" and how it applies.

- The 2020 **Population** Census shows the Village of Elberta at 329.
- **SEVs** on Improved properties are multiplied by 2. Vacant property SEVs were then added as presented. The calculations in 2024 show a total of \$50,663,000.00.
- A **three-year average of calls/runs** for both Fire & EMS is calculated. Gilmore Township's average three-year calls/runs for Fire = 8.25 (8) and 27.25 (27) for EMS.
 - These numbers are added to the spreadsheet with the other entities and a percentage (%) is calculated for both Fire and EMS separately.
- The Budget for the City of Frankfort runs from July 1st to June 30th. All the Townships have a fiscal year that begins on April 1st and ends on March 31st. The city has to project the Fire department's budget for the next 6 months (18 months in total) to calculate the overall Fire Budget.
 - The next Fire Advisory Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 27th at 6:00 PM.

December 2024 – Summary Report

I. Administration

- I am proud to announce that we have **Four** new Medical Personnel members in our department.
 - Aaron Shaver completed his National Registry Exam for Medical First Responder.
 - Zachary Severson recently joined the department after servicing his county in the Air Force as a Firefighter/Hazardous Materials Specialist/National Registry First Responder.
 - Al Gruss and Heather Atkinson have completed their EMT-Basic classes in Traverse City and are waiting to take their National Registry EMT-B exams.

II. Equipment

- 4-Engine-3 – Status update
 - ISO requires the purchase of a hose clamp, which we have ordered and are awaiting delivery on.
 - OSHA requires that all items in the compartments be secured. Tool straps have been ordered and will be installed.
 1. This completes everything on the ISO/NFPA Engine list.
 - A station “push-in” ceremony was conducted at the Lake Township Fire Station on Saturday, January 11, 2025, at 11:00 AM.
- 4-Brush-2
 - This truck is now parked here at the Lake Township Station.

III. **Training** – Our regular scheduled training day fell on Christmas Eve, so it was decided to postpone it.

IV. Community Risk Reduction (CCR) / Safety Message

- Smoke / CO Detectors – Last year in Michigan there were 96 deaths in 92 fires
 - This is a 19% reduction in deaths over 2023, but it is still high.
 - Fire Investigations reveal that 49% of fire deaths were caused by alarms that do not have any batteries or exceeded their normal 10-year life expectancy and have failed during an actual event.
 1. An easy way to check a Fire/CO detector is to **“Put a Finger on it”**
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V. Community Relations / Special Events

- On December 6th- attended the Elementary School Weather Drill.
- Our pancake fundraiser at the Mayfair Burger Bar in Elberta on December 15th and we raised \$1,284.00

VI. Happy Notes:

- **Did you know**
 - That our members protect this community 24/7 by volunteering an average of 60 hours a week, so you are protected 24/7 – 365.
 - This doesn't include its Chief, who averages 55 - 65 hours a week.
 - This group of dedicated individuals, whom I'm proud to call my team, allowed me to spend time with my family for Christmas by covering my time at their own expense. They have seen the hours of overtime that I have put into this department, so for 48 hours they stood by at the station, at their expense, so that you had fire and medical coverage, and yes there were calls.
 - The bottom line is I've heard some say that we are a Full-Time Department. I'm here to say that we are NOT a Full-time department. We are a dedicated group of Volunteers who care about this community.
 - Honestly, that is something to be proud of!