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Chief's Report December 28, 2020

I. Logistics

- a. New Car 4 delivered and in service
- b. Rescue 2 being serviced by New England Fire Apparatus for a pump issue.
- c. The department continues to be heavily entrenched with managing the pandemic. The Connecticut Department of Public Health is the lead agency for the event. The department is assisting in any way possible and is also directing other departments in town as to guidance provided by the Connecticut DPH and DEMHS.
- d. Department personnel will begin vaccinations this week.
- e. Bids were advertised for volunteer pagers, overhead doors for headquarters and station 4 and a bid was advertised for protective clothing.

II. Operations

- a. The department has been at the forefront of the COVID-19 pandemic. Operations have been adjusted for force protection. Numerous firefighters have become sick with COVID-19 so far all have recovered.
- b. A department activity report is attached.

III. Finance

- a. The Town budget process will begin right after the new year.
- b. A tentative agreement with local 1205 which will allow us the ability to more easily recruit firefighters, retain personnel and adjust terminal leave payouts.
- c. COVID-19 has impacted the departments lines, we saw an increase in medical waste disposal costs and personnel costs impacted our staffing lines.
- d. The department has been working with finance and FEMA to recoup expenses associated with the pandemic.

IV. Buildings & Facilities

- a. Station 4 work has been slowed due to COVID-19 but siding and some unexpected salvage work was completed, new signs and now some interior painting.

V. Personnel Matters

- a. Multiple firefighters have been quarantined or become sick with COVID-19, these have been a driver of overtime throughout the year.
- b. One Firefighter is on long term injury.
- c. Currently there are 3 vacancies and there will be 5 additional in January including the Training Officer and Fire Marshal tests have been scheduled for all positions however we may not be able to complete entry level before the state academy.
- d. Civil Service will be doing remote testing for entry level.



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- e. A special meeting will need to be scheduled some time in January for entry-level, fire marshal and training officer interviews.
- f. We are exploring running out own recruit training program which would be at a significant savings to the town.

Sincerely,

Matthew Marcarelli
Fire Chief



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TYPE	CATEGORY	this_ynr	this_yrh
Fire Alarm Situations	Attempted burning, illegal action	1	1.06
Fire Alarm Situations	Chemical release, reaction, or toxic condition	4	8.04
Fire Alarm Situations	Combustible/flammable spills & leaks	10	68.88
Fire Alarm Situations	Controlled burning	1	0.5
Fire Alarm Situations	Cover assignment, standby at fire station, move-up	8	192
Fire Alarm Situations	Dispatched and cancelled en route	22	77.7
Fire Alarm Situations	Electrical wiring/equipment problem	52	624.48
Fire Alarm Situations	Emergency medical service (EMS) Incident	1945	3106.52
Fire Alarm Situations	Excessive heat, scorch burns with no ignition	1	3.24
Fire Alarm Situations	Explosive, bomb removal	1	34.38
Fire Alarm Situations	Extrication, rescue	1	0.15
Fire Alarm Situations	False alarm and false call, Other	41	44.19
Fire Alarm Situations	Fire, Other	5	62.36
Fire Alarm Situations	Good intent call, Other	17	107.15
Fire Alarm Situations	Hazardous condition, Other	2	73.8
Fire Alarm Situations	HazMat release investigation w/no HazMat	6	8.77
Fire Alarm Situations	Lock-In	1	0.48
Fire Alarm Situations	Malicious, mischievous false alarm	1	2.64
Fire Alarm Situations	Medical assist	2	48.24
Fire Alarm Situations	Mobile property (vehicle) fire	11	99.69
Fire Alarm Situations	Natural vegetation fire	8	7.78
Fire Alarm Situations	Outside rubbish fire	5	6.05
Fire Alarm Situations	Person in distress	81	161.62
Fire Alarm Situations	Public service assistance	61	273.24
Fire Alarm Situations	Rescue or EMS standby	9	64.54
Fire Alarm Situations	Rescue, emergency medical call (EMS), other	78	144.89
Fire Alarm Situations	Service call, Other	33	115.57
Fire Alarm Situations	Severe Weather & Natural Disaster - Other	2	1.82
Fire Alarm Situations	Severe Weather & Natural Disaster - Specified	61	978.64
Fire Alarm Situations	Smoke, odor problem	1	0.82
Fire Alarm Situations	Special outside fire	3	3.6
Fire Alarm Situations	Steam, Other gas mistaken for smoke	12	22.19
Fire Alarm Situations	Structure Fire	7	156.81
Fire Alarm Situations	System or detector malfunction	18	21.49
Fire Alarm Situations	Unauthorized burning	18	9.38
Fire Alarm Situations	Unintentional system/detector operation (no fire)	99	433.66
Fire Alarm Situations	Water problem	16	68.02
Fire Alarm Situations	Wrong location, no emergency found	20	128.23



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Hydrant Activities	Flow Tests	0	0
Hydrant Activities	Inspections	0	0
Inspection Violations Corrected	.	2	0
Inspection Violations Corrected	Class III systems	5	0
Inspection Violations Corrected	Covers	4	0
Inspection Violations Corrected	Exits	2	0
Inspection Violations Corrected	General.	2	0
Inspection Violations Corrected	Height	5	0
Inspection Violations Corrected	Illumination of means of egress	14	0
Inspection Violations Corrected	Pathways.	1	0
Inspection Violations Discovered	Class III systems	5	0
Inspection Violations Discovered	Covers	4	0
Inspection Violations Discovered	Exits	2	0
Inspection Violations Discovered	Extension Cords.	6	0
Inspection Violations Discovered	FORCE REQUIRED TO OPEN DOORS (GENERAL)	2	0
Inspection Violations Discovered	General.	2	0
Inspection Violations Discovered	Height	5	0
Inspection Violations Discovered	Illumination of means of egress	18	0
Inspection Violations Discovered	LOCATION FOR EMERGENCY LIGHTING	2	0
Inspection Violations Discovered	Maintenance	6	0
Inspection Violations Discovered	Openings.	2	0
Inspection Violations Discovered	Pathways.	1	0
Inspection Violations Discovered	PERFORMANCE OF SYSTEM	4	0
Inspection Violations Discovered	RELIABILITY	2	0
Inspection Violations Discovered	TESTING	2	0
Non-Incident Activities	Plan Review	14	31
Non-Incident Activities	Battalion Chief Station Visits	50	200
Non-Incident Activities	Complaint/referral	9	7.23
Non-Incident Activities	Consultation	3	1.25
Non-Incident Activities	Inspection Activities	63	31.41
Occupancy Inspections/Activities	CONSULTATION - Building	1	0.5
Occupancy Inspections/Activities	CONSULTATION - General	1	0.5
Occupancy Inspections/Activities	CONSULTATION - Sprinkler System	1	0.25
Occupancy Inspections/Activities	INSPECTION - Fire Alarm	2	1.25
Occupancy Inspections/Activities	INSPECTION - Fire Alarm Final	1	2
Occupancy Inspections/Activities	INSPECTION - Fire Alarm Re-Inspection	1	0
Occupancy Inspections/Activities	INSPECTION - Fire Protection	3	2.5
Occupancy Inspections/Activities	INSPECTION - General	39	16.74
Occupancy Inspections/Activities	INSPECTION - New Construction - Bldg Final	16	6.33
Occupancy Inspections/Activities	INSPECTION - Special	5	3
Occupancy Inspections/Activities	INSPECTION - Tenant Improvement Final	3	1.25



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Occupancy Inspections/Activities	INSPECTION - Tent	1	0
Occupancy Inspections/Activities	PLAN REVIEW - Cooking Hood Type 2	1	1.5
Occupancy Inspections/Activities	PLAN REVIEW - Fire Alarm	1	0
Occupancy Inspections/Activities	PLAN REVIEW - General	4	5.5
Occupancy Inspections/Activities	PLAN REVIEW - Site	1	1.5
Occupancy Inspections/Activities	PLAN REVIEW - Solar	1	1.25
Occupancy Inspections/Activities	PLAN REVIEW - Sprinkler System	7	23.5
Occupancy Inspections/Activities	REFERRAL/COMPLAINT - Citizen	3	2.83
Occupancy Inspections/Activities	REFERRAL/COMPLAINT - Fire	4	3.9
Occupancy Inspections/Activities	REFERRAL/COMPLAINT - General	1	0.25
Occupancy Inspections/Activities	Underground propane tank install	1	0.25
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Air Conditioning repairs	1	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Air system repairs	5	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Alternate/Generator Repair	1	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Battery - clean cables.	1	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Battery replacement	4	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Body Repair	1	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Brake Repair	2	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Cab Lift System	2	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Door repairs	4	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	EHL Hose Bed Repairs	3	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Electrical Repair	1	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Emergency Lighting repairs	1	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Emission System repairs	1	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Exhaust System repairs	3	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Fire Pump repairs	4	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Fire valve/piping repairs	6	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Front Axle repairs	1	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Front End Repairs	1	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Fuel System Repair	1	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Gauge Repair	1	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Heat/Coolant Repair	2	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Knox Box Repair/installation	1	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Lettering/stripping	1	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Light Bulb Replacement	2	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Light/Bulb Replacement	1	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Lighthouse Repair	1	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Lighthouse replacement	1	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Miscellaneous Repairs	3	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Motor Repairs	1	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Mount Equipment	3	0



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Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Placed Into Service	1	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Seat Repairs	1	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Serpentine Belt Replacement	1	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Service	11	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Suspension Repair	1	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Tire Repair/replacement	2	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Traffic Advisor Repairs/Install	1	0
Testing/Maintenance of Equipment	Wiper replacement	3	0
Training	ACLS Refresher	13	104
Training	Air Bags	4	4
Training	Apparatus Check Procedures	74	94
Training	Apparatus Familiarization and operations	4	8
	Blood Borne & Air Borne Pathogens & Haz		
Training	Comm (SD)	41	164
Training	Building Pre-Planning	6	12
Training	CFA Recruit Training	1	664
Training	Combined Street and Hydrant Test	4	16
Training	CPR Certification	1	8
Training	CT Opiod Directive Training	45	45
Training	Driver Refresher Training	2	3
Training	EHFD SCBA MAZE	8	16
Training	EHPD COLLECT	5	10
Training	Electrical Safety	11	22
Training	Emergency Pediatric Care	9	72
Training	Employee Assistance Program	45	135
Training	EMS Equipment Training	47	91
Training	EMT P Clinical Ride Time	2	160
Training	Engine Company Practical	13	42
Training	Equipment Familiarization	44	44
	Fire Service Instructor 1/2/3/4/POST		
Training	Certification	4	200
Training	Forcible Entry	45	225
Training	General and Topographic Anatomy	6	12
Training	General Driver Training	7	18
	Hazardous Materials		
Training	Awareness/Operation/Technician	41	164
Training	Hazmat Response Introduction	1	6
Training	Hose Line Advancement	11	22.25
Training	Hydrant Test	1	3
Training	Joint Training w/ EHPD	78	156
Training	Kiddi trailer T-t-T	6	12



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Training	Ladder Company Classroom	44	352
Training	Ladder Company Practical	45	106.5
Training	Live Fire Training - Burn Building	58	232
Training	Needs Training Officer Clarification	35	63.75
Training	New Driver Training	16	355
Training	Pediatric Emergencies	46	92
Training	PALS Refresher	13	104
Training	Paramedic Refresher	26	780
Training	Pre-cepting For MD Control	2	354
Training	Probationary Orientation	4	120
Training	Pump Operations Qualification Written Test	1	2
Training	Pump Training	82	185
Training	Rapid Intervention Team Skills	5	12.5
Training	Rescue Boat Practical	21	71
Training	Rescue Company Practical	49	362
Training	RIT Pack Procedures	2	4
Training	Safety/Wellness Classroom	45	45
Training	SCBA Fit Testing	67	67
Training	SCOTT Pack Tracker	5	10
Training	Standard Operating Procedures Classroom	28	28
Training	Standpipe Operations	8	16
Training	Strategic and Tactical Operations	4	12
Training	Street and District Familiarization	8	16
Training	Street Test	1	2
	ULFSRI Understanding and Fighting Basement		
Training	Fires	42	84
Training	Utilization of PWC	7	21
Training	Vehicle Extrication	3	9