



MARTEN RIVER VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

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MONTHLY REPORT APRIL 2019

TRAINING

April 2nd

Members viewed "The Mission" video depicting Dr. David Griffin's goal to see change in the fire service after the loss of nine of his fellow fire fighters in the 2007 Charleston Sofa Factory fire. Auto extrication videos demonstrating technics for side removal, door removals and hydraulic ram positioning for current model vehicles were viewed and discussed. New replacement equipment (traffic cones and saw blades) were place on to the trucks.

April 16th

A practical exercise where fire fighters demonstrated their ability to safely operate the pump panel for Engine 4 and Rescue 5 (CAF) was conducted by Fire Chief Elliott. Fire fighters demonstrated their ability to draft water from the dry hydrant and while communicating with the hose crew pump water and foam.

INCIDENTS

April 10th

Fire fighters were dispatched to a Bobcat skid loader on fire at a Highway 11 address. On arrival it was found that the fire had been extinguished by the owner. The equipment was inspected to insure that no rekindle would occur.

April 18th

Members attended to a patient on McLaren road suffering from chest pains. Fire fighters monitored the patient until EMS arrived.

FIRE PREVENTION

The Homeowner "Fire Smart Manual" was emailed to community members. We hope that this information provides our rural property owners with tips to protect their homes/cottages in the event of wildfires.

OTHER

- Core Fire Safety completed the annual inspection for the department's fire extinguishers and the kitchen's fire suppression system.

- The Marten River Fire Department 2018 Annual Report to council was submitted.
- Fire Chief Elliott along with some local fire fighters attended the April 10th Marten River Volunteer Fire Fighting Team Association meeting. The Chief updated the community on the fire department's 2018 activities, the department's concerns and focus and expressed appreciation for the association's continued support.
- On April 15th Fire Chief Elliott, Captain Elliott, and Fire fighters N. Malbrecht and T. Malbrecht attended a Barbecue at the North Bay Central Ambulance Communication Center to celebrated National Public Safety Communications week. We were given a tour of the facility and were able to watch the dispatchers in action, giving us real appreciations of the great work these people do every day.
- On April 22 Fire Chief Elliott met with A. Welsh regarding the removal of the trees for the relocation of the helipad.
- Fire Chief Elliott attended the April 25th Council meeting.