

Temagami Fire Department
Monthly Report of Activities
for the month of: *October 2019*

3 Activations

- October 1st @ 1:00 PM – chief received telephone call regarding CO - responded to by Chief – department NOT activated – unable to locate any source using 4 gas multi-detector, advised homeowner to obtain heating contractor to check appliances, new CO alarm left with homeowner (later confirmed by service technician as small pinhole in natural gas supply line at the appliance)
- October 5th @ 3:58 PM – Chief received telephone call from firefighter that identified an electrical outlet shorting at Petro-Can (Hydro was quickly shut-off). Chief attended with Thermal Image Camera to investigate / ensure no fire issue. Department NOT activated.
- October 31 @ 10:31PM – Chief receives call from dispatch, report of tree on hydro wires, wires sparking, 62 Stevens road. Chief investigates to determine hazards and if department activation required. Large White pine toppled on main high tension lines, no wires down, no indication of power still on – advised homeowner of ETA that Hydro provided dispatch, no concern requiring FD to remain on scene.

Training:

- Specialized Training session by Code 4 – rapid extrication evolutions – HUGE recognition and thanks for assistance from Public Works in getting donated vehicles picked-up and preparing the vehicles for training scenarios (laydown area at the Strathy dump).
- 3 training meetings – Carbon Monoxide, calibrating Multi-gas detectors, chimney fires, auto extrication (accessing through hatch-back/ rear lift-gate)
- Initiated use of on-line e-training program (TrainingSolutions) – Program support training ongoing (Chief & deputy)
- 16 hour recruit training completed – pager issued to our newest member
- 1 firefighter working on obtaining DZ license – Pumper 1 used for MTO testing; retest scheduled for November

Fire Prevention:

- Fire Safety Plans for Lake Temagami Youth Camps: review ongoing
- Fire Safety inspection at Temagami Public School completed
- Fire Safety Plan from School reviewed – request for revision / corrections
- File search requested for property sale – payment received as per fee schedule (2016)

Fire Education:

- Regular radio “fire safety” announcements on CJTT
- Monthly community newsletter
- Prevention officer attended Temagami Public School during Fire Prevention Week – presentation to students; students completed home escape plans – prizes provided to 3 lucky students, first prize was ride to school in Fire Truck with the prevention officer.
- Fire Prevention static display set-up at the Ronnoco for 2 weeks
- Work continues on info package for Tourist Camps regarding Fire Code requirements

Other:

- Annual SCBA Flow testing completed by qualified technician from A.J. Stone Ltd at fire hall
- Repairs completed on FoamPro pump on 2017 fire truck
- Still waiting on new locking arm for folding attic ladder
- Fire hall internet router replaced (unit failed)
- Received few vehicle donations for future Auto Extrication training – Huge thanks to Public Works for assistance in picking up / taking vehicles to laydown area at Strathy dump
- Terminated cell phone plans for 2 cell phones had on fire trucks – phones not used
- Looking into switching internet provider for the Fire Hall (higher speed at comparable cost)
- Capital items purchasing: 5 bunker suits ordered
- Heater unit installed at downtown hall – snow guard invoice significantly higher than quoted
- Chief attended October 17th council meeting
- Chief attended October 18th municipal staff meeting – 2nd such meeting - continue to request training and access to new accounting program – little confidence in budget numbers without ability to verify what invoices have been paid/not paid, amounts remaining in the operating budget
- Electric motor seized on heating unit for fire hall offices (unscheduled building mtnc expenditure) – motor replaced
- Radio transmission recorder (tele-recorder) hard drive failed twice in past 2 months – holding off replacement as uncertain on remaining budget
- Chief attended residence with By-law officer to assist in verifying Hydro shut off to an out-building that an order was issued against
- Chief completed questionnaire regarding Livestock response capabilities/equipment/training where livestock transport vehicles are involved in a highway collision
- NFPA fire department survey completed by Chief
- 3 members attended training seminar in Temiskaming Shores on Traffic collision Investigation and the roll the fire department plays
- 1 firefighter remains on medical leave
- Chief & Deputy attended Emergency Management training session for senior and elected officials
- Fire hall roof leaking increased, 1 new leak onto equipment where + 5 liters collected during heavy rain event – looking forward to winter and storing rain buckets away

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Date: *October 31, 2019*