

Memorandum to the Council of Corporation of the Municipality of Temagami

Subject: Marten River Fire Department Monthly Report - December 2024

Memo No: 2025-M-008

Date: January 9, 2025

Attachment: None

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Recommendation

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives Memo 2025-M-008 as presented.

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Training

- December 2 - Members of the Marten River Fire Department attended the Fire Hall to conduct pump operations using Rescue 3. Also, Pumper 4 was prepared for it's upcoming annual inspection.
- December 3 - Members of the Marten River Fire Department conducted monthly equipment checks and general maintenance on all Service vehicles. Equipment was replaced on Pumper 3 and was refilled with water, as it was all previously removed for its annual inspection.

- December 10 - Members of the Marten River Fire Department conducted pump operations using pumper 4 and the dry hydrant and reloaded all of its equipment as it had all been previously removed for its annual inspection.
- December 18 - Members of the Marten River Fire Department were given a training lecture on SCBA's in preparation for practical exercises in January, followed by a brief Christmas social.

Incidents

- December 4 - Incident #27 ~ 12:19pm

Highway 11 south of Rattler Road

Multi-vehicle Personal Injury Collision

A Transport Trailer was travelling northbound in the southbound lanes of Highway 11 attempting to pass one motor vehicle, when it struck another head on. Marten River Fire Department crew members assessed three patients at the scene, assisted paramedics in removing one patient from their vehicle, and utilized Fire vehicles to block lanes, ensuring a safety zone for all emergency responders at the scene.

- December 17 - Incident #28 ~ 1:29pm

Highway 11 at Marten Lake Road

Tree on Hydro Line

Marten River Fire Department crews were dispatched to a call for a tree that had fallen onto hydro lines on the side of the highway. Members assessed the situation and found there was one severed line, and one still intact. There was no smoke, and no fire. The downed line was in the ditch away from the roadway or any public access. It was determined there was no danger to the public. Hydro was notified and attending.

- December 23 - Incident #29 ~ 9:08pm

Highway 64 at McLaren Road

Two vehicle Property Damage Collision

Marten River Fire Department was dispatched to a two-vehicle head on collision. While en-route, the team was called off by the OPP. There were no injuries reported, and no issues with traffic obstruction.

- December 28 - Incident #30 ~ 11:50am

Highway 11 at Bluestone Road

Two vehicle Fatality Collision

A head on collision between two motor vehicles resulted in one vehicle coming to rest on its side, while the other was redirected into a rock cut. One driver was reported deceased at the scene. Marten River Fire crews assessed 3 other patients before they were transported to hospital and conducted traffic control. Fire vehicles were also used to protect all emergency service personnel at the scene. Marten River Fire crew was also responsible for extricating the deceased from his vehicle, as it was damaged to the point where e-hydraulic equipment had to be used to remove doors and the side of the car to free him from the wreck.

Fire Prevention Initiatives

- A special thanks goes out to Fire Team Member Ronda Nicols, as she was instrumental in starting up the Marten River Fire Department Facebook page. It will be used to post MRFD information, including Fire Prevention initiatives throughout the year. Already, there was “12 days of Holiday Fire Safety” placed on the page and has several Community Members following already.

- Further, the Marten River Fire Department team members changed the sign out front of the fire hall to remind everyone about the importance of Fire Safety and Prevention, especially over the holidays

Additional Information

All three of the Marten River Fire Vehicles have received their commercial motor vehicle safety certification for another year. It is worth noting the Pumper for was down for 10 days and required approx. \$9,000 worth of work to be certified. Technicians advised it took additional time to source parts as they are scarce for a truck that old.