



The Corporation of the Town of Tecumseh

Fire & Rescue Services

To: Mayor and Members of Council

From: Doug Pitre, Director Fire Services & Fire Chief, C.E.M.C.

Date to Council: November 13, 2018

Report Number: FIRE-2018-08

Subject: Tecumseh Fire Services – Q3 Update

Recommendations

It is recommended:

That the Tecumseh Fire Services Q3 2018 update presented in the Fire & Rescue Services Department Report FIRE-2018-08 **be received**.

Background

The purpose of this Fire Services Report is to provide Council with an overview of the Tecumseh Fire Rescue Services for the third quarter of 2018.

Tecumseh Fire Rescue Service provides firefighting protection for the lives and property of citizens of the Town of Tecumseh. Personnel respond to all calls for service, provide firefighting, rescue, emergency medical intervention (including defibrillation), vehicle extrication, shore-based water rescue, and confined space entry rescue.

The Fire Department is a composite fire service operating out of two stations, each with a complement of 20 volunteer firefighters. Station 1 is located at 985 Lesperance, while Station 2 is located at 5520 Walker Road. The department services a population of approximately 24,000 providing fire and emergency medical coverage to a 95 square kilometre area and responds to approximately 400 calls per year.

The dedicated individuals in the Fire Service continue to be leaders in supporting charities that are an integral part of our community such as area Goodfellows. As well, our successful Fire Prevention Week Open Houses and public education offered in school visits are vital opportunities to raise awareness and educate the public.

Comments

Calls for Service – Volume

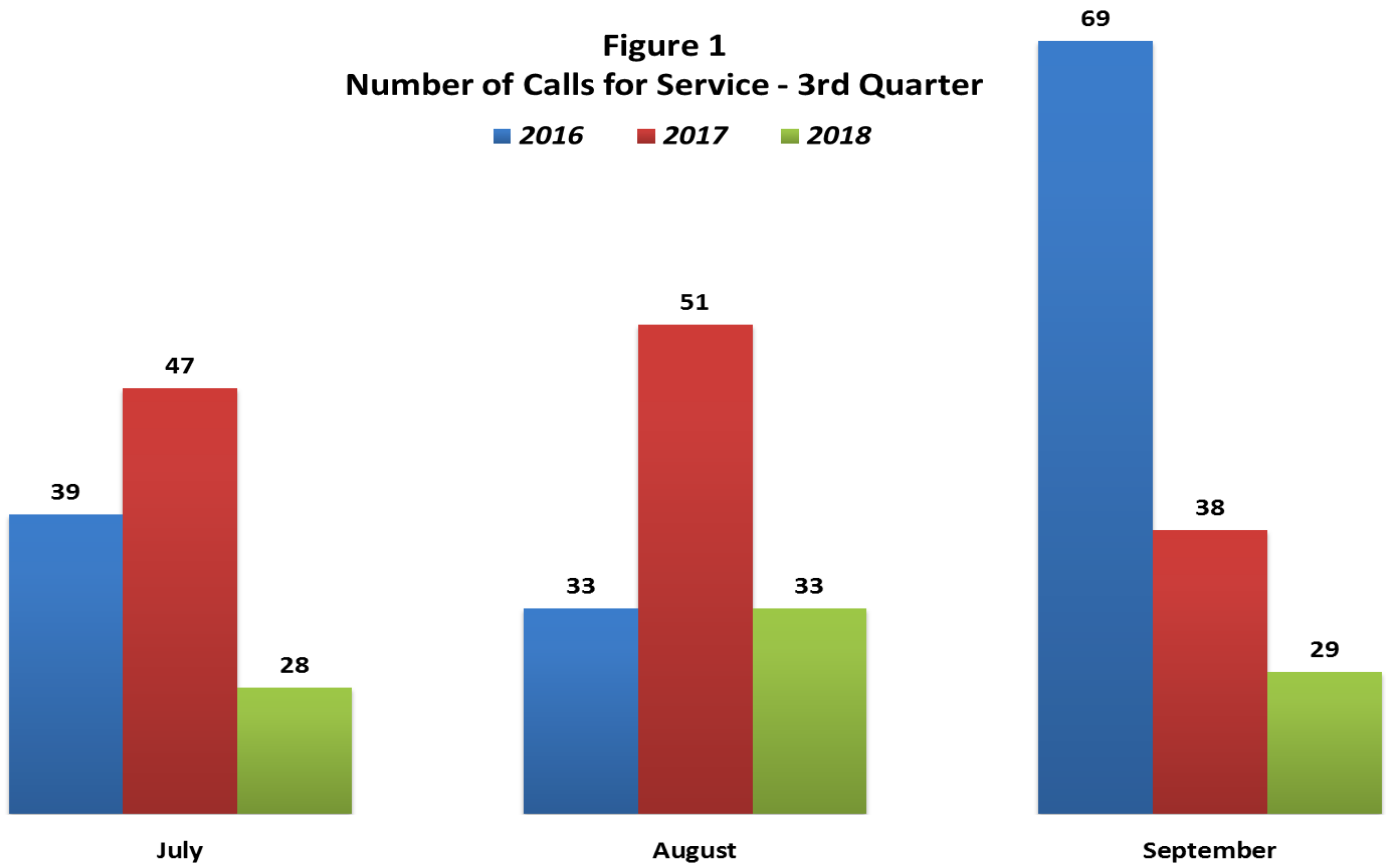


Figure 1 illustrates call volumes for the 3rd Quarter over a three-year period 2016 through 2018 on a monthly basis. Calls for service in the 3rd Quarter of 2018 include four fires, a vehicle, garage, kitchen and an enclosed porch, three no loss outdoor fires, five overheat mechanical device, one pot on stove, four open air burning/unauthorized controlled burning and two other cooking/toasting/smoke/steam (no fire).

Public Education and Inspection

i) Public Education

Firefighter Smoke & Carbon Monoxide Door-to-door Campaign - During the months of July and August physical fitness training is suspended due to hot weather which provides the opportunity for firefighters to engage with the community supplying valuable information at their doorstep, answering questions and reminding residents of the importance of fire safety and emergency preparedness.

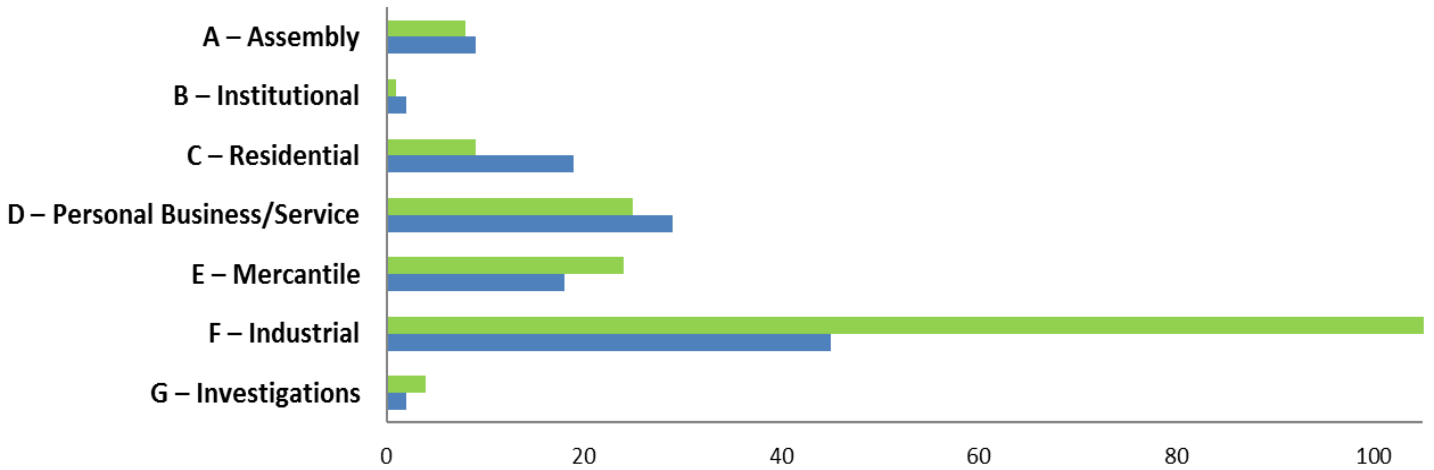


High School Cooperative Education Students – Tecumseh Fire is hosting two high school cooperative education students from local area high schools, Kyle Chinnery from Tecumseh Vista and Hanna Redmond from L'Essor. This is a valuable opportunity for these students to experience up close the roles of various fire department personnel, including responsibilities, functions, and administrative duties.



ii) Inspection

Figure 2
Inspection by Property Type - 3rd Quarter



	A – Assembly	B – Institutional	C – Residential	D – Personal Business/Service	E – Mercantile	F – Industrial	G – Investigations
■ 2018	8	1	9	25	24	119	4
■ 2017	9	2	19	29	18	45	2

Figure 2 illustrates Inspection by Property Type for the 3rd Quarter for the years 2017 and 2018.

Q3 – 2018 Highlights

○ **New Pumper/Rescue Unit 1**

Tecumseh Fire has placed into service the new Rescue 1, replacing the 1990 Spartan Rescue 1 which has been donated to the Pre-Service Firefighter Program at St Clair College. This new Rescue unit carries 750 gallons of water along with all of the fire department’s confined space and water rescue equipment and will service the needs of our community well into the future.



- **High Angle Rope Rescue Training**

Three Tecumseh firefighters have joined members of LaSalle Fire to become part of the new Kingsville Fire Department County High Angle Rescue Team. This is an excellent training opportunity for firefighters on the team and reduces the impact on municipalities through cost sharing for a regional team.



- **Jr. Firefighter Specialty Camp**

Once again, as a part of the Tecumseh Parks & Recreation 2018 Summer Day Camp Programming, a Junior Firefighter Camp was held at Station 1. The participants experienced special instruction every camp morning. Activities included instruction in 911, safety plans, Fire Hall maintenance, CPR, First Aid, fire extinguisher training, hose training and live scenarios.



○ **2018 Fire Prevention Week Open House**

The 2018 Fire Prevention Week Open House encouraged the public to tour the Fire Stations, meet the firefighters, go for a Firetruck ride and other educational activities. Ontario Provincial Police and Essex Windsor E.M.S. provided informative displays. Essex Power, Union Gas, Red Cross as well as Contents Processing Centre (CPC) and Safe Seats Save Children (SSSC) also joined to make this one of our most well attended events.



Consultations

None

Financial Implications

None

Link to Strategic Priorities

Applicable	2017-18 Strategic Priorities
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Make the Town of Tecumseh an even better place to live, work and invest through a shared vision for our residents and newcomers.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ensure that the Town of Tecumseh’s current and future growth is built upon the principles of sustainability and strategic decision-making.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Integrate the principles of health and wellness into all of the Town of Tecumseh’s plans and priorities.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Steward the Town’s “continuous improvement” approach to municipal service delivery to residents and businesses.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Demonstrate the Town’s leadership role in the community by promoting good governance and community engagement, by bringing together organizations serving the Town and the region to pursue common goals.

Communications

Not applicable

Website

Social Media

News Release

Local Newspaper

This report has been reviewed by Senior Administration as indicated below and recommended for submission by the Chief Administrative Officer.

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None	None