

The Corporation of the Town of Tecumseh

Fire & Rescue Services

To: Mayor and Members of Council

From: Chad Mactier, Deputy Fire Chief

Date to Council: September 10, 2019

Report Number: FIRE-2019-06

Subject: Tecumseh Fire Services – Q2 2019 Update

Recommendations

It is recommended:

That the Tecumseh Fire Services Q2 2019 update presented in the Fire & Rescue Services Department Report FIRE-2019-06 **be received.**

Background

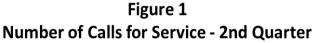
The purpose of this Fire Services Report is to provide Council with an overview of the Tecumseh Fire Rescue Services (TFRS) for the second quarter of 2019.

TFRS provides firefighting protection for the lives and property of citizens of the Town of Tecumseh. Personnel respond to all calls for service, providing 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.

Comments

Calls for Service - Volume



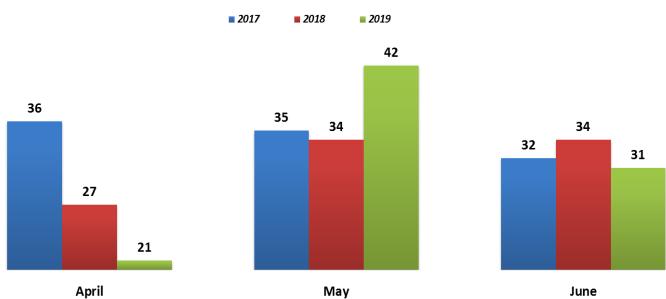


Figure 1 illustrates call volumes for the 2nd Quarter over a three-year period, 2017 through 2019, on a monthly basis. Calls for service in the 2nd Quarter of 2019 included four fires; a freight train engine, a vehicle, a barbecue and a utility pole. Seven incidents involving other pre-fire conditions (no fire) resulted from two overheated mechanical devices, two cooking related (pot on stove) and three other pre-fire conditions. In addition, six incidents resulted from open air burning or unauthorized controlled burning, including three due to complaints.



Public Education and Inspection

i) Public Education

Fire Station Tours – Public Education/Information tours conducted during the 2nd Quarter of 2019 for the following groups:

- Local Government Week School Tours
- Ontario Early Years (St Pius School)

ii) Inspection

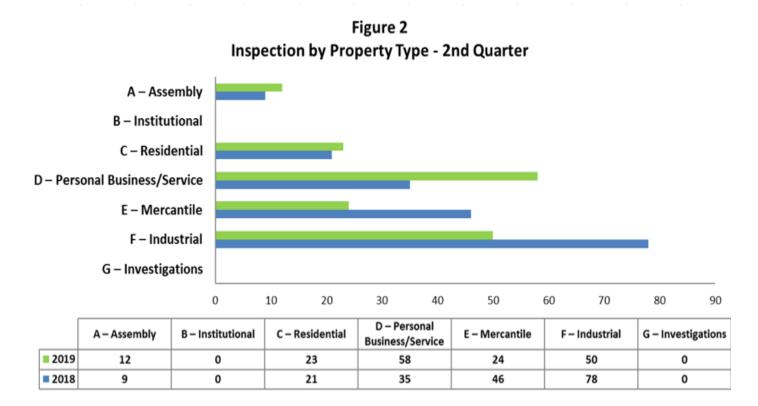


Figure 2 illustrates Inspection by Property Type for the 2nd Quarter for the years 2018 and 2019.

Q2 - 2019 Highlights

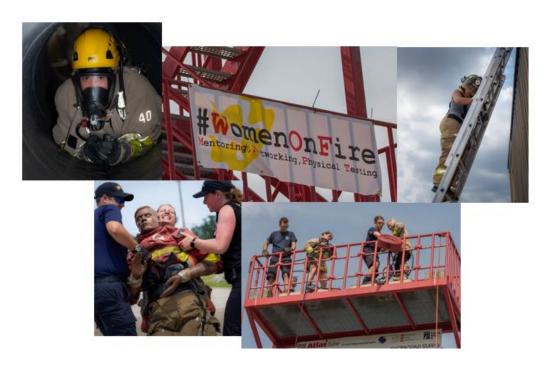
HAZMAT Training

In May, the Hazardous Materials (HAZMAT) training scenario presented a potential situation involving a ruptured tank containing an unknown gas. A water fog pattern of a dangerous gas released while firefighters rescued the truck driver (a mannequin).



WomenOnFire Event

The WomenOnFire event was a huge success with five emergency response/security organizations working to support over 100 participants, encourage positive cultural change and promote diversity within the ranks. Attendees from as far away as Brantford, Sarnia, and Chatham were excited at this unique opportunity to gain valuable insight and make new connections.



Public Education Events

Tecumseh Fire is pleased to have participated in a variety of successful community public education events in the 2nd Quarter of 2019.

The McHappy Day charity was able to support children at The Ronald McDonald House – South West Ontario, Big Brothers Big Sisters and John McGivney Children's Center by raising over \$223,000 in Windsor/Essex County. Ontario's Breakfast on the Farm, a well-attended family friendly event, gave visitors a glimpse of what farming is all about, a tour of a farm, farm animals, farm equipment and a breakfast including Ontario foods. AV Graham School Water Day, Meet-a-Machine, St. Andre and St. Antoine School Family Picnics and the Safety Patrol Appreciation Day at Lacasse Park were great opportunities for parents and children to meet and talk with their local firefighters.



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Consultations

None

Financial Implications

None

Link to Strategic Priorities

Applicable	2019-22 Strategic Priorities		
\boxtimes	Make the Town of Tecumseh an even better place to live, work and invest through a shared vision for our residents and newcomers.		
	Ensure that Tecumseh's current and future growth is built upon the principles of sustainability and strategic decision-making.		
	Integrate the principles of health and wellness into all of Tecumseh's plans and priorities.		
	Steward the Town's "continuous improvement" approach to municipal service delivery to residents and businesses.		
	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

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

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Attachment Attachment Number Name

None None