

CITY OF MARATHON FIRE RESCUE

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Memorandum

Date: 3/01/2023

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council members

From: John A. Johnson, Fire Chief

Through: George Garrett, City Manager

Subject: February Month End Report

ALARM RESPONSES

	February
Fire Incidents	2
Hazardous Condition	4
Public Service	9
False Alarm Fire	9
Good Intent Call	17
EMS	105
Inter-facility Transfers	68
Total for Month:	215
Total Calls for Calendar 2022:	435

FIRE PREVENTION

	February
Fire Inspections	10
Fire Safety Plan Review	29
Vacation Rental Inspections	93
Occupational License Inspections	0
Annual Life Safety Inspections	0
Event Inspections	1
Annual State Inspections	0
DHR Follow-Up Inspections	0

VACATION RENTALS

	February
Total Applications Processed	61
Vacation Rental Inspections	93
Total VR Fees Collected	\$63,950.00
Agents Trained	18

OPERATIONS:

• Training:

• **Fire Officer Training:** All Fire Officers maintained daily incident management, continuing education as well as working on preparations for the upcoming storm season.

• **EMS Training:** This month the Firefighters completed 48 hours of training. This training includes monthly medication exercises, updated protocols, and an EMS equipment refresher.

• **Fire Training:** All firefighters continue to conduct daily shift drills; they also completed NFPA 1410 hose drills.

• **Tactical Medic Program**: This month one (1) firefighter participated in 4-hours of SWAT Call Out with MCSO.

• **Combined Training:** Vector Solution software for all shifts, a total of 386 courses were taken, which totaled 177.39 hours of training.

• Instructors on Staff: We have a total of six instructors with live fire training certifications and seven EMS instructors.

BENEVOLENT FIREFIGHTER SERVICES

Due to the Benevolent Association having difficulty recruiting volunteers, they are putting together a recruitment program to try and obtain more members. Currently the association is at a standstill with only 6 active members. A meeting will be held in March to discuss any issues or events, including the cleanup of Station 16. As always, we continue to support recruitment of additional personnel coordinated through the Marathon Fire Rescue Benevolent Association.

INFORMATION

As you can see from the volume of calls, it has been another busy month. We are in the process of interviewing for the Fire Chief position, as I look forward to retiring. We will be making a short list and inviting 3-4 candidates for an in-person interview.

There will be many challenges in the upcoming year as the city is growing in leaps and bounds. Several large developments are beginning as well as many nearing completions. This will bring challenges to our city and emergency services. The department is dedicated to ensuring we are ready to serve the community with the highest possible commitment to the city.

The department's high school cadet program hopes to continue providing the city by training highly educated students and future motivated employees to serve our community.

We are in the process of filling two open positions for firefighter/paramedic and working with labor to be able to hire EMTs to train to become paramedics. The FF/EMTs will be coming from our high school program and our current paramedic class.

We have received all the replacement hoses needed to restore the failed hose. All units are back in full compliance.

PUBLIC OUTREACH IN DECEMBER:

ACTIVITIES ATTENDED IN DECEMBER:

Weekly Director Call (4) City Council Meeting KCB Meeting Leadership Monroe Board Meeting Monroe County Fire Chief's Meeting Vacation Rental/Code Violation Meeting South Florida LEPC Meeting Survive the Ride Project USCG Training Standby MHS Girls Championship Weightlifting Send Off Cirque Ma'Ceo, San Pablo Church Standby MHS Varsity Baseball Games Standby KAIR Sombrero Beach Run Standby