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BRIDGTON FIRE DEPARTMENT



Monthly Report for July 2023

Personnel: The department has received two applications for consideration and is processing those presently. Training continues on many subjects both in-house and through outside sources. Three of our members recently completed an Emergency Vehicle Operators Course (EVOC) to begin the qualification process as apparatus drivers. Members have also attended classes on aerial operations and rural fire operations.

Equipment: The replacement vehicle for the chief has been delivered by McDonald Motors and the vehicle maintenance crew will be working to outfit the truck with emergency warning equipment and radios. We are still waiting for a chassis from Ford for our mini pumper ordered approximately a year ago at this point.

Operations: July was a busy month with 52 calls in total. We did respond to the Saco River four times to assist in rescuing stranded canoeists. They all become stranded after running into strainers (fallen trees, limbs etc) that have jammed up in the river due to the exceptional rainfall this early summer. The airboat was used each time and is by far the most appropriate resource for that job. An airboat is truly the only motorized watercraft that can reach folks in those situations. The department is working closely with the Maine Warden service to provide rescue services in a safe timely fashion should the need arise again. Our drone program is continuing to progress and provide benefits during many of our larger events such as July 4th and on calls such as the river rescues, other watercraft calls on our lakes and surveying damage done during our recent intense storm in the N. High St and Sweden Rd area. Lastly I wanted to note that the department has requested consideration for the SHAPE program from the Maine Bureau of Labor. If accepted into this program it will exempt the department from BOLS inspections for a period of 4 years and would document the hard work our folks have put in improving our safety culture within the department.

Respectfully submitted, Glen Garland, Fire Chief

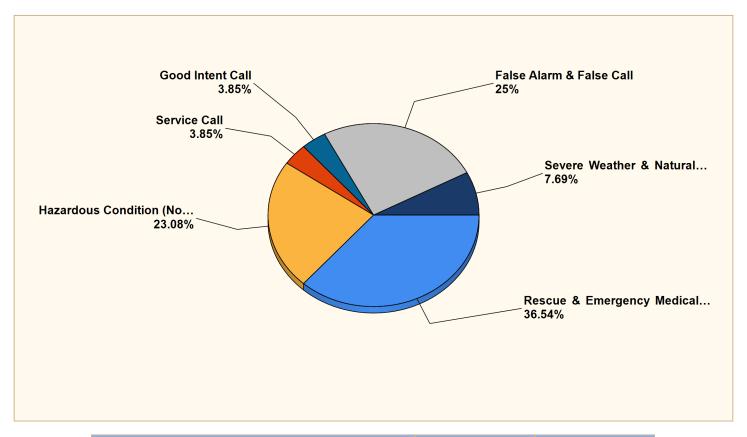
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Breakdown by Major Incident Types for Date Range

Zone(s): All Zones | Start Date: 07/01/2023 | End Date: 07/31/2023



MAJOR INCIDENT TYPE	# INCIDENTS	% of TOTAL
Rescue & Emergency Medical Service	19	36.54%
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	12	23.08%
Service Call	2	3.85%
Good Intent Call	2	3.85%
False Alarm & False Call	13	25%
Severe Weather & Natural Disaster	4	7.69%
TOTAL	52	100%

Detailed Breakdown by Incident Type		
INCIDENT TYPE	# INCIDENTS	% of TOTAL
311 - Medical assist, assist EMS crew	2	3.85%
322 - Motor vehicle accident with injuries	3	5.77%
324 - Motor vehicle accident with no injuries.	6	11.54%
331 - Lock-in (if lock out , use 511)	1	1.92%
350 - Extrication, rescue, other	1	1.92%
363 - Swift water rescue	4	7.69%
365 - Watercraft rescue	2	3.85%
400 - Hazardous condition, other	10	19.23%
412 - Gas leak (natural gas or LPG)	1	1.92%
444 - Power line down	1	1.92%
511 - Lock-out	1	1.92%
561 - Unauthorized burning	1	1.92%
611 - Dispatched & cancelled en route	1	1.92%
622 - No incident found on arrival at dispatch address	1	1.92%
733 - Smoke detector activation due to malfunction	1	1.92%
735 - Alarm system sounded due to malfunction	7	13.46%
740 - Unintentional transmission of alarm, other	1	1.92%
745 - Alarm system activation, no fire - unintentional	4	7.69%
800 - Severe weather or natural disaster, other	4	7.69%
TOTAL INCIDENTS:	52	100%