

Staff Report

Report To: Council Meeting

From: Jeff McArthur, Fire Chief

Date: 2024-05-09

Subject: Monthly Report for April 2024

Recommendation:

That West Elgin Council hereby receives the Monthly Fire report for April 2024, from Jeff McArthur, Fire Chief re: April 2024 Fire Report, for information purposes.

Purpose:

To provide Council with an update on fire department activities in the month of April 2024.

Background:

Emergency Responses

Alarms Sounding	1
Vehicle Collision	1
Medical Assist	4
Burn Complaint	1
Call cancelled on route	3
TOTAL	10

Training & Meetings

Department topics included incident review, hose deployment, and pumper operations.

Members attended NFPA 1002 Pumper Operations, NFPA 1031 Fire Inspector, and Fire Code courses.

Fire chief attended County Mutual Aid and Prevention meetings, Solar Eclipse planning and debrief meetings, and meetings regarding a joint tanker order.

Fire Prevention

No new inspections.

The currently vacant Fire Prevention Officer position will be posted internally in May.

Other Activities/Information

Three recruits are attending NFPA 1001 Recruit training in Elgin-Middlesex.

The fire chief is continuing to work with two other Elgin County Fire Departments on a potential three-tanker order, with the goal of shared savings. Various options will be brought to the Tanker Replacement Committee for their consideration, then to Council.

The County Fire Chiefs are discussing options regarding Hazardous Materials response agreements, as there are currently no formal agreements within Elgin County.

A draft automatic aid agreement for WEFD's response area south of Wardsville has been sent to Southwest Middlesex Fire for review.

Financial Implications:

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

Policies/Legislation:

None.

Alignment with Strategic Priorities:

Infrastructure	Recreation	Economic	Community
Improvement		Development	Engagement
☐ To improve West Elgin's infrastructure to support long-term growth.	☐ To provide recreation and leisure activities to attract and retain residents.	☐ To ensure a strong economy that supports growth and maintains a lower cost of living.	☑ To enhance communication with residents.

Respectfully submitted by:

Jeff McArthur, Fire Chief

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