



MUNICIPALITY OF **West Elgin**

Staff Report

Report To: Council Meeting
From: Jeff McArthur, Fire Chief
Date: 2021-01-14
Report: 2021-01
Subject: Monthly Report – December

Recommendation:

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

Purpose:

To provide Council with an update on fire department activities in the month of December 2020.

Background:

Emergency Responses

Motor Vehicle Collison (MVCs)	2	2 on Hwy 401
Fire	3	2 vehicles, 1 chimney
Alarms Sounding	1	Carbon monoxide alarm
Other	2	Burn complaint, med assist
<i>TOTAL</i>	<i>8</i>	

Training & Meetings

Training topics included note taking with OPP, radio communications, scene size-up, vehicle stabilization, auto extrication. Firefighters are currently enrolled in online courses through the Ontario Fire College.

A WEFD officers meeting was held. Agenda included budget, potential creation of Training Officer and Fire Prevention Officer positions and various operational items.

Five firefighters including two new recruits have begun online training in the 2021 NFPA 1001 Firefighter Recruit Course in Oxford County. Small 1001 group training is currently being substituted for classes in Oxford County to address Covid concerns and reduce inter-department interaction. All other departmental training has been postponed due to the provincial shutdown. Truck checks continue utilizing small groups.

Other Activities/Information

Four applicants accepted offers to become probationary firefighters, with two required to attend NFPA 1001 Recruit training. A wait list of other applicants has been created that can be utilized throughout the year when spots become available.

The Fire Chief and Deputy Chief have been working with Bearcom Communications over the past several months to diagnose sporadic radio issues in the northwest area of the Municipality.

Financial Implications:

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

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Jana Nethercott

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