



# MUNICIPALITY OF West Elgin

## Staff Report

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**Report To:** Council Meeting  
**From:** Jeff McArthur, Fire Chief  
**Date:** 2021-10-28  
**Report:** 2021-21  
**Subject:** Monthly Report – September 2021

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### **Recommendation:**

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

### **Purpose:**

To provide Council with an update on fire department activities in the month of September 2021.

### **Background:**

#### ***Emergency Responses***

|               |   |                                  |
|---------------|---|----------------------------------|
| Fire          | 1 | Structure - garage               |
| Public Hazard | 3 | Natural gas line, unknown odour. |
| MVC           | 2 | One on Hwy 401                   |
| <i>TOTAL</i>  | 6 |                                  |

#### ***Training & Meetings***

Training topics included hose testing, apparatus placement and power tool operation.

Three members attended NFPA 1072 Hazmat Operations in Oxford County.

Four members attended the DZ driver's license course in Malahide.

#### ***Fire Prevention***

New smoke alarm advertisement on the West Elgin Community Centre Zamboni in partnership with the Dutton-Dunwich Fire Department.

Two fire inspections were performed - one request, one follow up.

West Elgin was selected as one of the fire departments across Ontario to receive free combination smoke/carbon monoxide alarms for distribution to residents within the community. Enbridge Gas Inc generously provides the alarms through their Safe Community Project Zero. Alarms to be distributed over the next few months, with an accompanying news release.

***Other Activities/Information***

Two recruits were brought off waiting list and are attending WEFD training. Fall recruitment for probationary firefighters planned.

Planned change to apparatus numbers, to minimize duplications across Elgin County.

**Financial Implications:**

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

**Report Approval Details**

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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