



# FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE

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## January 2018 REPORT FROM: TYLER MOFFITT – FIRE CHIEF/CEMC

Total Hours: Incidents; Training; and Public Service	Training Sessions:	Public Ed & Prevention; Public Events; Public Service:	Fire Safety Standards Enforcement Inspections:	Fire Drills	EMS Calls:	Fire Calls:	Fire Loss estimated values in Dollars:
28.75	9	1	13	0	2	1	\$1,000
Alarm Calls:	MVC Calls:	Ice / Water Calls:	(CO) Carbon Monoxide / Gas Leak Calls:	Hazmat Calls:	Mutual Aid Calls:	Other Calls:	Critical Incident Stress Debriefs:
3	0	0	3	0	0	2	0

FORT FRANCES FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE RESPONDED TO 11 EMERGENCY RESPONSE CALLS DURING JANUARY 2018.

### Total Hours:

A total of **3.75 Hours** was spent on responding to emergency incidents; a total of **21 Hours** was spent on training; and **4 Hours** was spent on **Public Service Activities**.

### Time of Day:

During this month, **73%** of our calls for service occurred on the Day Shift between 07:00 & 19:00 and **27%** of our calls for service occurred during the Night Shift between 19:00 & 07:00.

### Public Fire Safety Education / Public Events / Public Service/ Highlights:

**Fort Frances Fire Brigade's Annual Christmas Tree Pickup – January 13, 2018:** Once again, our Team Members got together along with a retired volunteer firefighter and spent the afternoon collecting the trees left out at the curb.

Our **year-round educational Public Fire Safety Campaign** in the *Fort Frances Times - Thursday Bulletin*, which all households in our town receive on a weekly basis continues to receive a lot of positive feedback ... especially from our senior population. A Big Thank You goes out to **Gillons, Sunset Protection Systems, Norlund Oil, and Causeway General Insurance Brokers Ltd.**

### Fire Prevention Inspections / Re-inspections:

**13 (thirteen)** inspections / re-inspections were completed.

### Emergency Medicals Service (EMS) Response Calls:

There were **2 (two)** Emergency Medical Service (EMS) requests.



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### Fire Response Calls:

There was **1 (one) Fire Response Call**. On Jan 30<sup>th</sup>, our team members responded to the Memorial Sports Centre for a small electrical fire involving a heater. The estimated fire loss for the electrical heater was \$1,000.

### Fire Alarms:

There were **3 (three)** False Fire Alarm calls this month.

### (CO) Carbon Monoxide / Gas Leak Calls:

We responded to **1 (one)** false CO Alarm call, and **2 (two)** false Gas Leak calls.

### Other Calls:

There are times where our team members get calls for many different situations. For instance, we responded to one call in January where hot water was spraying, which may have looked like smoke. As well, we also responded to a call where steam from the plumbing vent stack was observed; the individual thought it was a fire.

### Updates:

Throughout the province of Ontario ... the professionalization of the Ontario Fire & Rescue Service with the highest integrity and competence is coming with two proposed regulations under the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997 related to new requirements for:

- 1. Mandatory training and certification for firefighters; and**
- 2. Community risk assessments to inform the delivery for fire protection services.**

The Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services (MCSCS) is seeking public feedback on both regulations up to March 11, 2018.

While the regulations do not detail how **non-compliance** will be handled, there is a **great liability risk** to a **municipality** if it does not certify to the new mandatory standard for all categories of fire operations, in the event something unfortunate occurs.

As well, although there is protection from personal liability and compensation provisions in the **Fire Protection and Prevention Act (sections 74, 75, 76)**, it is only for those **working in fire services (municipal or provincial)** and **not for municipal corporations**.

The Ontario Provincial Police and the Paramedic Services in Ontario educate and train to known standards, as well as sets the bar high. The Fire & Rescue Service should be no different.