



# FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE

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## February 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:
98.8	11	0	10	0	4	3	92,500
Alarm Calls:	MVC Calls:	Ice / Water Calls:	(CO) Carbon Monoxide / Gas Leak Calls:	Hazmat Calls:	Mutual Aid Calls:	Other Calls:	Tickets Issued:
3	2	0	0	0	0	1	1

FORT FRANCES FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE RESPONDED TO 13 EMERGENCY RESPONSE CALLS DURING FEBRUARY 2018.

### Total Hours:

A total of **9.8 Hours** was spent on responding to emergency incidents; a total of **89 Hours** was spent on training.

### Time of Day:

During this month, **69%** of our calls for service occurred on the Day Shift between 07:00 & 19:00 and **31%** of our calls for service occurred during the Night Shift between 19:00 & 07:00.

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

All six of our Fire & Rescue Service Vehicles stationed inside our firehall now have a permanent Fire Safety Tip located on both sides. Anytime one of our Fire & Rescue Service Vehicles is out in our community ... the following Fire Safety Tip will be visible to the public.





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Our year-round educational Public Fire Safety Campaign in the *Fort Frances Times - Thursday Bulletin* continues. Meanwhile, our team will be raising awareness about the importance of testing smoke and carbon monoxide alarms at **Safeway** on **Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup>** from **10:00am to 2:00pm**.

### Fire Prevention Inspections / Re-inspections:

**10 (ten)** inspections / re-inspections were completed. All three of our Vulnerable Occupancies were inspected, which took a lengthy time to complete. As well, during another inspection ... it was observed that a smoke alarm had been disabled; a ticket was issued to an offending tenant who disabled a smoke alarm.

This is a prime example **WHY** we need to continue onward ... to have an aggressive **Fire Safety Education** and **Fire Safety Inspection Program**; we **INSPECT TO CORRECT!**

Meanwhile, on two occasions, I have had the honour to talk with Ross Nichols; he is our provinces Fire Marshal. He is one of the many leaders who will tell you that we need to continue our aggressive efforts towards **Public Fire Safety Education**, as well as enhancing **Fire Safety Inspection Programs**.

As our towns Fire Chief/CEMC, I applaud our teams efforts; we cannot neglect our responsibility to protect the people of Fort Frances, as well as visitors to our community. As a team, we need to continual improve our efforts with rigor, and an organized structure towards **Public Fire Safety Education** and our **Fire Safety Inspection Program**. As a team, we need to continue with educating ourselves, and train to known standards, as well as set the bar high ... our citizens of Fort Frances, and visitors deserve nothing less!

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

There were **4 (four)** Emergency Medical Service (EMS) requests.

### Fire Response Calls:

There was **3 (three) Fire Response Calls**. On February 15th, shortly after 5:00 pm ... our team members responded to the Copper River Inn for a fully involved vehicle fire, which was parked on the southside of the hotel.

Wayne Riches and Doug Wright responded in our 11-1 Pumper Truck, while I responded in our 11-6 Rescue Truck. As well, 8 other team members responded. Due to the immediate and rapid response from our firehall, as well as the deployment of a hose line ... our team managed to keep the fire from spreading into a hotel room window, which only had one cracked pane of glass left.

As well, the second story hotel room above ... its window was also cracked. Our team utilized a Foam Line to extinguish the fire.

We could not determine a source of ignition due to extensive damage; the cause of this fire was listed as undetermined. The estimated fire loss was \$92,500, which involved damage to two vehicles, as well as to the outside of the hotel.



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Another Fire Response Call had our Team Member responding to a burning hydro pole.

As well, our Team Members also responded to the Skyview Apartments, which involved a burning pot on a stove. On our arrival, the fire alarms were sounding, and the tenants were outside.

### Fire Alarms:

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

### Other Calls:

One of our calls in February involved someone reporting that there was thick black smoke coming from a house. It turned out to be smoke from a pellet stove coming out of a vent.

### MVC (Motor Vehicle Crashes):

There were **2 (two)** MVC calls, which were in the Town of Fort Frances.

On February 5, 2018, we responded to a two vehicle Motor Vehicle Crash located at the main entrance of our Health Care Facility.

Team Member Doug Wright utilized a **Hurst eDRAULIC Combination Tool** to open a heavily damaged door and provide patient access for the paramedics. Doug Wright along with Wayne Riches then assisted our local **Rainy River District EMS members**.

Doug Wright is a Fulltime member of the Fort Frances Fire & Rescue Service, and was recognized by **HURST JAWS OF LIFE**, and awarded the **World-Renowned Green Cross Award**, which acknowledged his success with a **HURST JAWS OF LIFE RESCUE TOOL**.

**Left to right:** Tyler Moffitt (Fire Chief/CEMC) and Doug Wright

