



FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE

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OCTOBER 2019 REPORT FROM: TYLER MOFFITT – FIRE CHIEF/CEMC

| Total Hours: Incidents; Training; Public Education; and Public Service | Training Sessions: | Public Ed & Prevention; Public Events; Public Service: | Fire Safety Standards Enforcement Inspections / Re-inspections for 2019: | Fire Drills | EMS Calls: | Fire Calls: | Fire Loss estimated values in Dollars: |
|--|--------------------|--|---|---------------|-------------------|--------------|--|
| 176.7 | 21 | 6 | 171 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Alarm Calls: | MVC Calls: | Water Related Rescue Calls: | (CO) Carbon Monoxide / Gas Leak Calls: | Hazmat Calls: | Mutual Aid Calls: | Other Calls: | Tickets Issued: |
| 5 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |

TEAM MEMBERS RESPONDED TO 11 EMERGENCY RESPONSE CALLS DURING OCTOBER 2019.

Total Hours:

- **10.7 Hours** was spent on responding to emergency incidents.
- **16 Hours** was spent on public service and public education.
- **150 Hours** was spent on training.

Time of Day:

During this month, **92%** of our calls for service occurred on the Day Shift between 07:00 & 19:00 and **8%** of our calls for service occurred during the Night Shift between 19:00 & 07:00.

Fire Prevention Inspections / Re-inspections:

28 inspections / re-inspections were completed in September, which brings our total to **171** inspections / re-inspections completed since January 1st, of this year. And lastly, we completed the annual fire safety inspections of all the manors/apt. complexes operated by DSSAB.

Fire Response Calls: **1** was a small pile of wood on fire in the bush near Flinders Place.

Fire Alarms: **5** False Fire Alarm Calls.

MVC (Motor Vehicle Crashes): **1** in the Town of Fort Frances.

(CO) Carbon Monoxide / Gas Leak Calls: **1** actual CO call, and **1** false CO call.

Water Related Rescue Calls: **1** actual Water Related Rescue Call.

Other Calls: **1** burning complaint.



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Training:

Three separate 2-hour training sessions. As well, we had 18 separate 8-hour training sessions for a Part Time (Volunteer) Firefighter training for a Relief Firefighter position.

Public Fire Safety Education / Public Events / Public Service / Community Spirit / Highlights:

Weekly Fire & Life Safety Tips continue to be published in the Thursday edition of the Fort Frances Bulletin, as well as on our towns official Facebook Page.

Meanwhile, October was a busy month for our team members. We kicked off this year's Fire Prevention Week with a Fire Safety Day at Canadian Tire, which had our team members engaging with over 200-plus people.



**Jeff Rosseau and Wayne Riches
Greeting people at Canadian Tire**

Team members also visited J.W. Walker, Robert Moore and St. Michaels Schools to deliver fire safety presentations and show the fire truck. Our team members presented to over 575 students, as well as over 70 teaching staff with our visits. As well, on October 8th our team members utilized fire practice to hand-out fire prevention materials at the Memorial Sports Centre.

Our team members also attended the Fort Frances Public Library Technology Centre on October 15th to speak with children of the "Tween Club Program" about fire safety and prevention, as well as home escape planning.

As well, our team members participated in the Annual Truck or Treat Event.





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Emergency Preparedness Exercises and Projects

Amateur Radio Operators (Ham Radio Operators) across Northwestern Ontario tested their emergency preparedness capability back in October during a training exercise.

In the event of natural disaster or power outage ... conventional communications can be disabled.

Amateur radio frequencies can transmit over the horizon, which enables amateur radio operators to communicate across the region and the country.

If the Internet is down in one area, amateur radio operators have the capability to send and receive e-mail amongst themselves, and to areas where the Internet is still available.

Also, during the month of October, a new Emergency Digital Amateur Radio (Ham Radio) was installed at the Fort Frances Fire Hall.

Update: Backup Power and Infrastructure Plan for the Fort Frances High School

I am proud to state that the Fort Frances Power Corporation, the Rainy River District School Board, and the Town of Fort Frances have successfully worked together to establish a Backup Power and Infrastructure Plan for the Fort Frances High School, which is a Primary Evacuation Centre for the Town of Fort Frances.

The Rainy River District School Board has given us approval to proceed with installing a generator at their Fort Frances High School Site.

The Fort Frances Power Corporation will cost share with the Town of Fort Frances 50/50 for the project costs.

As well, Fort Frances Power Corporation had consulted with its customers and they support the project; the Fort Frances Power Corporation's Board of Directors has also given their approval for this vital community initiative.



October 30, 2019
The Generator Base was poured