



Cedar Area Fire & Rescue

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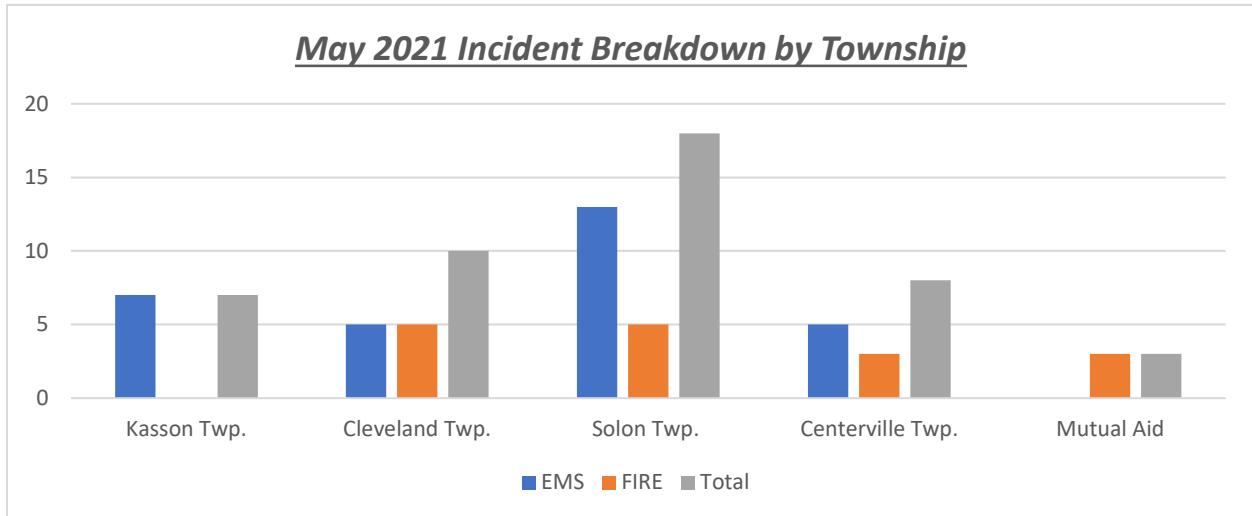
Chiefs Report – May 2021



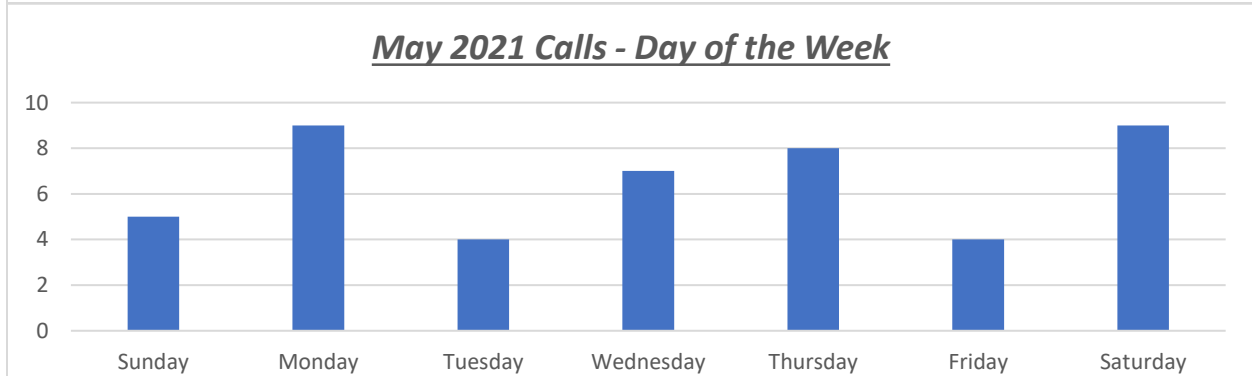
Statistics

46 Calls for Service in May

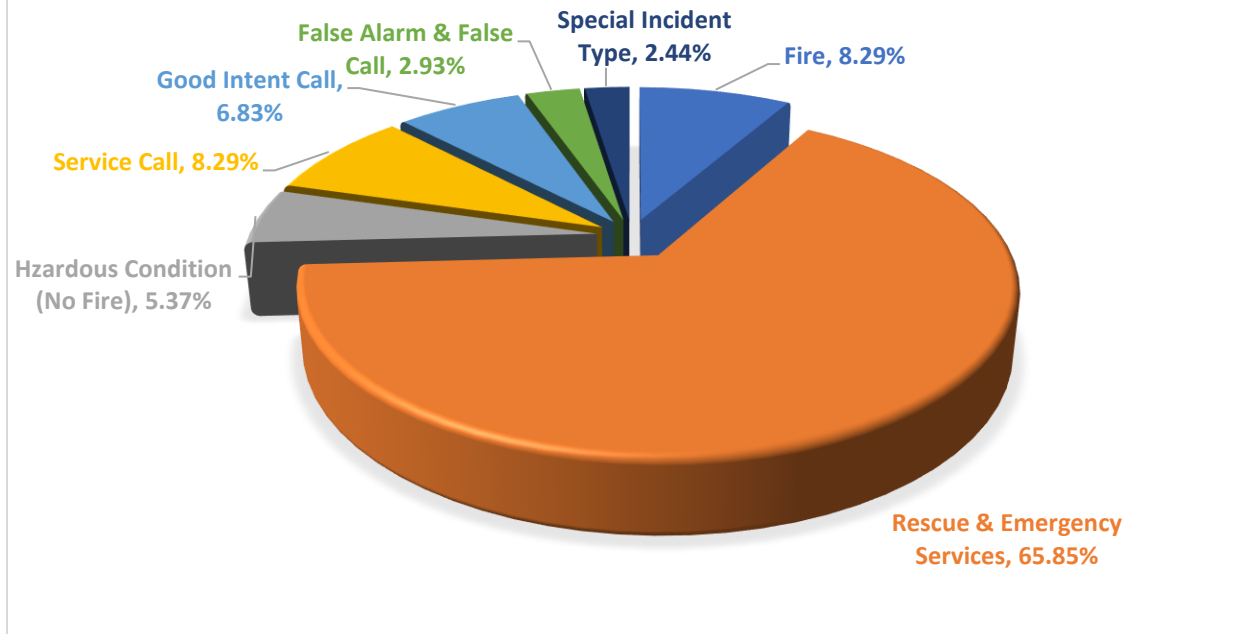
May 2021 Incident Breakdown by Township



May 2021 Calls - Day of the Week



YEAR-TO-DATE CALL PERCENTAGE BY MAJOR INCIDENT TYPE



Department Operations

Apparatus:

- **Engine 811**: In-Service: No Issues Reported
- **Tanker 822**: In-Service: No Issues Reported
- **Brush 841**: In-Service: No Issues Reported
- **Kubota 882**: In-Service: No Issues Reported
- **Ambulance 891**: In-Service: No Issues Reported
- **Ambulance 892**: In-service: No Issues Reported

Training:

CAFR staff completed 200 hours of training last month covering various topics.

ALS Updates:

Lieutenant Voiles and Firefighter Maus were accepted into the paramedic class, they will begin their training in late July.

M.A.B.A.S Division 3701:

On Tuesday, May 25th resources from Cedar Area Fire & Rescue, Leland Twp. Fire, Elmwood Twp. Fire, Glen Lake Fire and Grand Traverse Band Fire were requested to stand by in Grand Traverse County due to many their resources being called to a 425-acre wildfire just south of the Grand Traverse/Wexford County line. We were able to staff and send our brush truck along with the Kubota to help them out. Even though we sent some resources out of the county we were still staffed at the station and able to respond to any call for service. MABAS has proven that a regional view of service delivery is possible and able to be used efficiently.

Public Education:

Distanced outreach continues through our digital platforms like Facebook.

Fire-Wise Program:

Still on hold due to Covid-19. Possibly beginning to complete limited, screened, site visits by the spring.

Summary

May proved to be the start of our summer season. Throughout the month we saw a large increase of visitors to the area and with that our call volume has begun to rise toward our usual summer volume. Our members also saw multiple fires last month both wildland and structural.

The first fire of the month was a wildland fire in Cleveland Township. The six-acre fire was in a hilly and rugged area that was hard to access, requiring assistance from Leland Twp. Fire, Glen Lake Fire, Long Lake Fire, Elmwood Twp. Fire, and Almira Twp. Fire.

On Monday May 10th we were called to the report of a fire on the exterior of a home. Our crew along with Elmwood Twp. Fire arrived to find that the fire had been knocked down by the homeowner with a garden hose. There was extensive damage to the home and overhaul was needed to assure that there was no hidden fire extension.

The most notable structure fire we responded to was in Glen Arbor at the LeBear Resort in the early morning hours of Saturday, May 15th. Due to Glen Arbor Fire being on another call at the time of dispatch our units were among the first to arrive on the scene. Duty crew members went to work with the Glen Lake crew that was on the scene to evacuate the residents in the building and initiate fire suppression efforts. This was a large incident that brought crews from Glen Lake Fire, Cedar Area Fire & Rescue, Almira Twp. Fire, Traverse City Fire, Leland Fire, Metro Fire, Green Lake Twp. Fire, and Long Lake Twp. Fire. Crews worked many hours to bring this fire under control, successfully preserving much of the building and without any injuries.

As stated in the MABAS portion of the report, we were requested to standby in Grand Traverse County for resource coverage. Four Leelanau County units stood by at Blair Township EMS/Fire for a few hours while Grand Traverse County was tied up. This year area departments have collaborated more and traveled further than I can ever remember. It is a testament to our area from Citizens and Elected Officials to Fire Chiefs, Dispatch and Emergency Management for the commitment to provide the best service we can to the citizens of this region.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Chief of Department