

Cedar Area Fire & Rescue

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Chiefs Report – March 2021

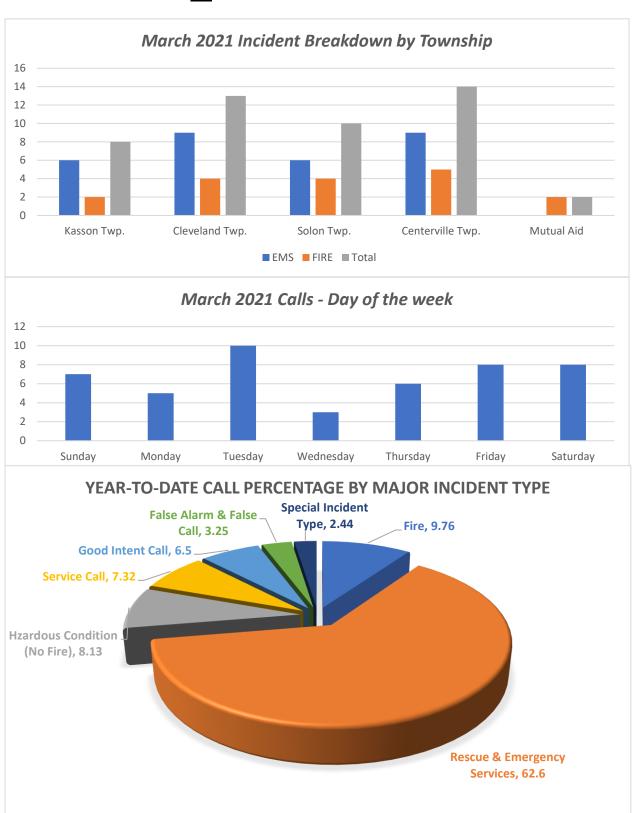






Statistics

47 Calls for Service in March



Department Operations

Apparatus:

- Engine 811: In-Service: No Issues Reported
- *Tanker 822*: In-Service: Minor maintenance work being completed.
- 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 207 hours of training last month covering various topics. Members have continued the coursework for the upcoming S-130 & S-190 course with the Michigan DNR.

ALS Updates:

The paramedic class is a go for July 2021! Our members will be completing the required testing and applications soon and start preparing for a very intensive 13-month course.

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

FF Boomer and Chief Doornbos have been tasked with development of a credentialling document that will be used statewide for municipal wildland fire resources. This is on going and we will soon be presenting to the State MABAS Director.

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

March was a busy month. In the span of one week, we responded to 1 structure fire, 1 reported chimney fire and 5 wildfires that burned nearly 15 acres of land. The largest wildfire being just outside of downtown Maple City and totaling approximately 6 acres. Two homes were threatened by the fire, but we were able to stop the fire before any damage was done. On the morning of the structure fire our duty crew was on a medical call and was not at the station when the fire was dispatched. A quick response from CAFR off duty personnel along with help from mutual aid departments Leland, Glen Lake, and Long Lake made it possible to transport the sick person to the hospital and handle the structure fire simultaneously.

Lastly, we completed the State of Michigan EMS agency inspection. A state inspector reviewed our agency records and personnel files and found that we meet the state requirements for a Basic Life Support transporting agency as outlined by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services. This is a yearly inspection that we must do to keep our license to transport patients in the state.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrew T. Doornbos Chief of Department