



WEST LAFAYETTE FIRE DEPARTMENT

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RE: April 2015 Report

Call Totals: West Lafayette Fire responded to 112 Total Calls in April: 79 Medical, 4 Fire, 4 Hazardous Condition, 9 Service Calls, 8 Good-Intent Calls, 7 False Alarms, 1 Other. This included 2 motor vehicle accidents with injuries and one motor vehicle/pedestrian accident. Station 2 had the most runs with 49, and the most for the year thus far, with 270.

Training: The department took part in a wide variety of training opportunities during the month of April. Firefighters Mayer, Zaragoza, Linder, and Schwartz are taking the District 4 Fire Instructor course at the district training facility in Lafayette. When completed at the end of May, all will be certified Fire Instructors. Station 1 B-shift did a prairie grass controlled burn. All shifts took part in a 2-hour firehouse software update training session with instructor Joe Heater. All shifts took part in a 1-hour preplanning session at State Street Towers, 110 South River Road, as well as a 1-hour building preplan at State Farm Insurance off Kent Avenue. There were also individual station training sessions consisting of pump operations, hydrant cap installs, building reviews, and skill updates plus a 3-hour EMS in-service provided by TEAS. Firefighter Shidler completed the EMT course and passed his practical skills testing for the state certification. And Firefighter Lynch attended Firefighter I and II class. Total man hours of training for the month of April for the entire department: 578. A-Shift had 245 man hours, B-Shift 190 man hours, and C-Shift 143 man hours.

Inspections: Fire Inspector Jodie Imel performed a total of 86 fire inspections during April. That included joint inspections with PUF of the fraternities, sororities, and cooperatives, leading into Grand Prix Week.

Other News: Inspector Imel and Firefighter Taylor attended the Jasper Fire School March 21-22 and 28-29 in Jasper, Indiana where they learned essential fire scene investigation skills in the "Fire Investigation Technician" course. They are now certified Fire Investigators which allows them to assist the city with cause determination on structure fires.

Timothy J. Heath
Fire Chief, West Lafayette



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April 2015 Department Training Report

The first part of this report will cover some training classes that members of the department took part in at the end March and were not reported. Firefighter/EMT Justin Taylor and Fire Inspector Jodie Imel traveled to Jasper, Indiana for the Jasper Fire School. Justin and Jodie were tasked with completing the Fire Investigator certification class over two weekends. The class was a total of 30 hours of classroom and practical evaluation time. Justin and Jodie will be certified Fire Investigators and will be able to assist the city with cause determination on structure fires.

Also starting at the end of March was the District 4 Fire Instructor course hosted at the district training facility in Lafayette. The Fire Department has four members that are participating in the class and will become certified Fire Instructors at the end of the class in May. Firefighter/ EMTs Mayer, Zaragoza, Linder, and Schwartz are taking the course. The Firefighters will attend class on Tuesday and Wednesday nights at the district classroom, from 6pm to 9pm. During the month of April the firefighters will attend 9 classes at 3 hours each. Increasing the number of Fire Instructors on the department will help the overall education of the department, and will help these Firefighters move on to other high certification courses.

A prairie grass controlled burn was completed by Station 1 B-shift at the beginning of the month. The burn is a yearly event to help the control and beautification of the prairie grass at the bog, the event lasted 2.5 hours. On April 7th, 8th, and 9th all shifts took part in 2 hour firehouse software update training with C-shift instructor Joe Heater. The members learned about new sections of the program that the department is starting to use and how to input information into the system. On April 13th, 14th, and 15th all shifts took part in a 1 hour preplanning session at State Street Towers, 110 South River Road. Throughout out the month of April stations and individual members completed 52 hours of individual station training sessions consisting of pump operations, hydrant cap installs, building reviews, and skill updates. All shifts will take part in a 1 hour building preplan at State Farm Insurance off of Kent Ave at the end of the April. Also the department will meet at the end of the month for a 3 hour EMS in service provided on Tippecanoe Emergency Ambulance Service/EMS education.

Firefighter Shidler completed the EMT course this month and also passed his practical skills testing for the state certification. He will move on to the written exam at the end of the month to complete the certification process. He attended 14 hours of classroom and practical skills practice sessions in the month of April. Firefighter Lynch attended 30 hours of classroom and practical skills practice in the month of April for the Firefighter I and II class. Lynch will complete his fire training at the District 4 Academy in the next two months.

The end of the month of March and the beginning of April was an eventful time for the Fire Department; members started and completed the process of advancing their level of certification. We learned more about how we can use the reporting system the Fire Department uses to track activities. All the shifts increased their knowledge about the building in the response area, which is an ongoing process in a growing and changing city. The total man hours for the training of Fire Department personnel were 578 hours for the month of April. A-shift – 245 man hours, B-shift – 190 man hours, C-shift -143 man hours.

Completed by: Department Training Instructor: Eric Doyle

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Monthly Incident Counts By Station

Alarm Date Between {01/01/2015} And {04/22/2015}

Station #	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	Percent
	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0.64%
1	51	36	47	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	166	26.56%
2	93	58	71	48	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	270	43.20%
3	58	52	44	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	185	29.60%

Total Runs by Month						
Jan 202	Feb 148	Mar 164	Apr 111	May 0	Jun 0	
Jul 0	Aug 0	Sep 0	Oct 0	Nov 0	Dec 0	

Grand Total Runs: 625

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Incident Type Summary By District

Alarm Date Between {04/01/2015} And {04/22/2015}

District	False	Fire	Good	Hazard Overpressu	Rescue	Service	Special	Weather	Total
01	2	3	4	0	23	0	0	0	32
02	3	0	2	3	39	2	0	0	49
03	2	1	2	1	17	7	0	0	30
	7	4	8	4	79	9	0	0	111

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Incident Type Report (Summary)

Alarm Date Between {04/01/2015} And {04/22/2015}

Incident Type	Count	Pct of Incidents	Total Est Loss	Pct of Losses
	1	0.89%	\$0	0.00%
	<u>1</u>	<u>0.89%</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
1 Fire				
140 Natural vegetation fire, Other	1	0.89%	\$0	0.00%
150 Outside rubbish fire, Other	1	0.89%	\$0	0.00%
154 Dumpster or other outside trash receptacle	2	1.79%	\$10	100.00%
	<u>4</u>	<u>3.57%</u>	<u>\$10</u>	<u>100.00%</u>
3 Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident				
311 Medical assist, assist EMS crew	59	52.68%	\$0	0.00%
320 Emergency medical service, other	10	8.93%	\$0	0.00%
321 EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with	6	5.36%	\$0	0.00%
322 Motor vehicle accident with injuries	2	1.79%	\$0	0.00%
323 Motor vehicle/pedestrian accident (MV Ped)	1	0.89%	\$0	0.00%
381 Rescue or EMS standby	1	0.89%	\$0	0.00%
	<u>79</u>	<u>70.54%</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
4 Hazardous Condition (No Fire)				
411 Gasoline or other flammable liquid spill	1	0.89%	\$0	0.00%
412 Gas leak (natural gas or LPG)	1	0.89%	\$0	0.00%
424 Carbon monoxide incident	1	0.89%	\$0	0.00%
440 Electrical wiring/equipment problem, Other	1	0.89%	\$0	0.00%
	<u>4</u>	<u>3.57%</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
5 Service Call				
554 Assist invalid	8	7.14%	\$0	0.00%
555 Defective elevator, no occupants	1	0.89%	\$0	0.00%
	<u>9</u>	<u>8.04%</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
6 Good Intent Call				
611 Dispatched & cancelled en route	8	7.14%	\$0	0.00%
	<u>8</u>	<u>7.14%</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
7 False Alarm & False Call				
700 False alarm or false call, Other	4	3.57%	\$0	0.00%
742 Extinguishing system activation	1	0.89%	\$0	0.00%

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Incident Type Report (Summary)

Alarm Date Between {04/01/2015} And {04/22/2015}

Incident Type	Count	Pct of Incidents	Total Est Loss	Pct of Losses
7 False Alarm & False Call				
746 Carbon monoxide detector activation, no CO	1	0.89%	\$0	0.00%
	7	6.25%	\$0	0.00%
Total Incident Count:	112		Total Est Loss:	\$10
746 Carbon monoxide detector activation, no CO	1	0.89%	\$0	0.00%