



MONTHLY REPORT



JULY 2024

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Highlights From The Month

POWER LINES DOWN

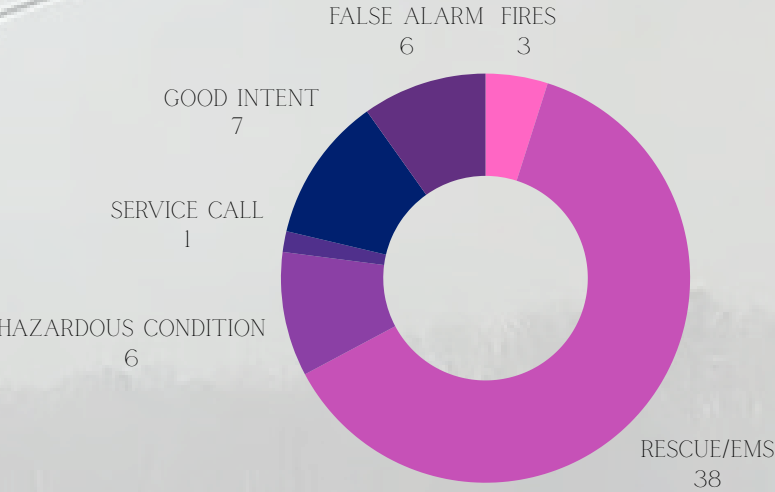
ON JULY 24TH MEMBERS WERE CALLED TO THE INTERSECTION OF MAPLE CITY ROAD AND E. NARLOCK FOR A TREE ON A POWER LINE. SHORTLY AFTER WE ARRIVED THE TREE BROKE THE LINE AND THE LIVE POWER LINE FELL TO THE GROUND. THE PICTURE BELOW IS THE POWERLINE BOILING THE SOIL UNDER IT. PLEASE STAY AWAY FROM DOWNED POWER LINES!



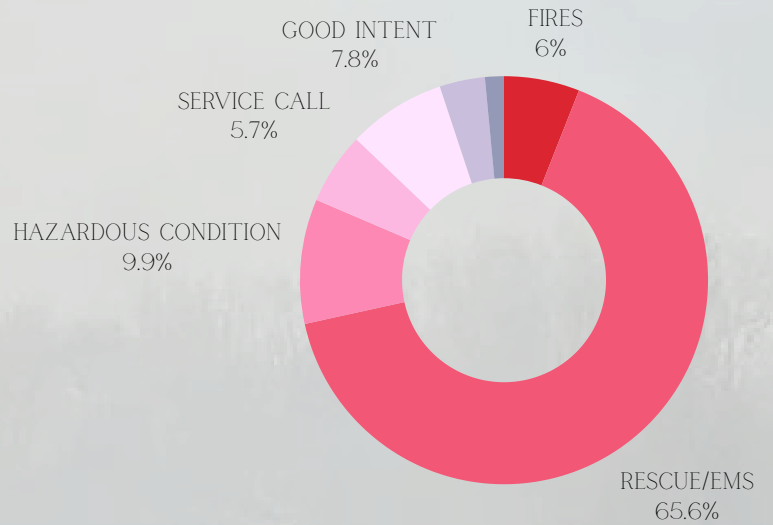
Monthly Statistics

61 Calls for Service in July

Monthly Breakdown

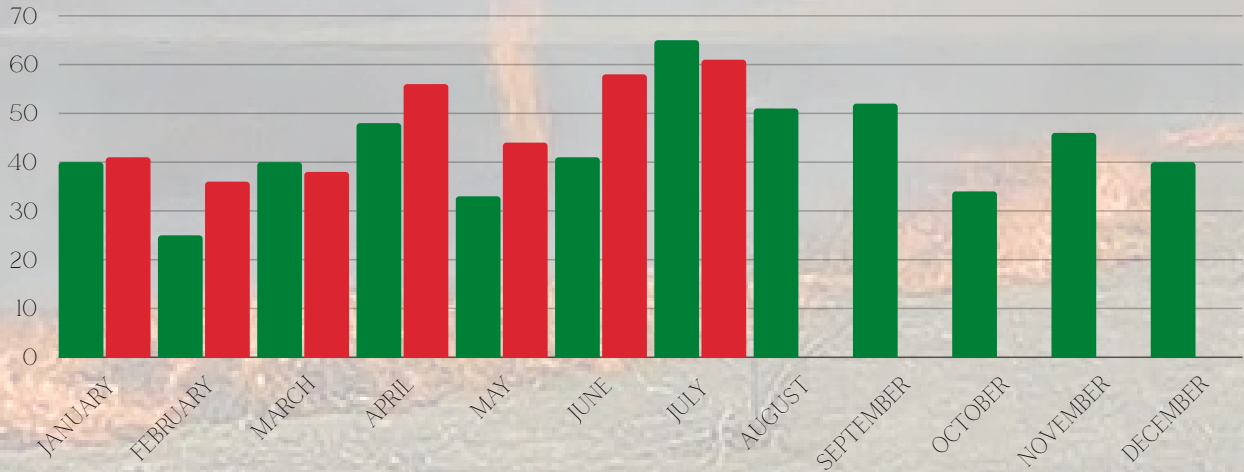


Yearly Totals



Annual Call Comparison

2023 - 2024

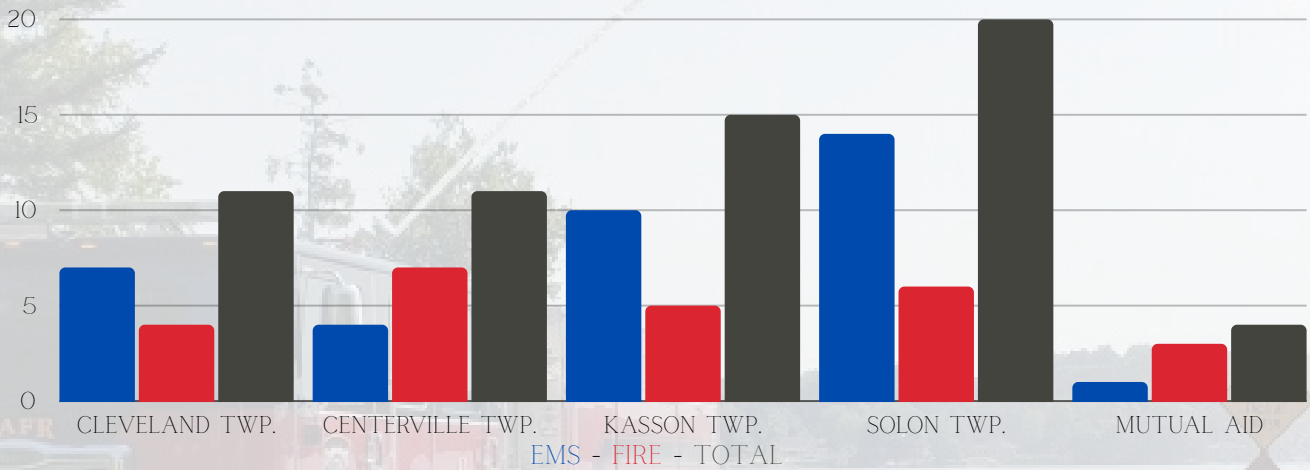


TOTAL CALLS FOR
SERVICE
YEAR-TO-DATE

334

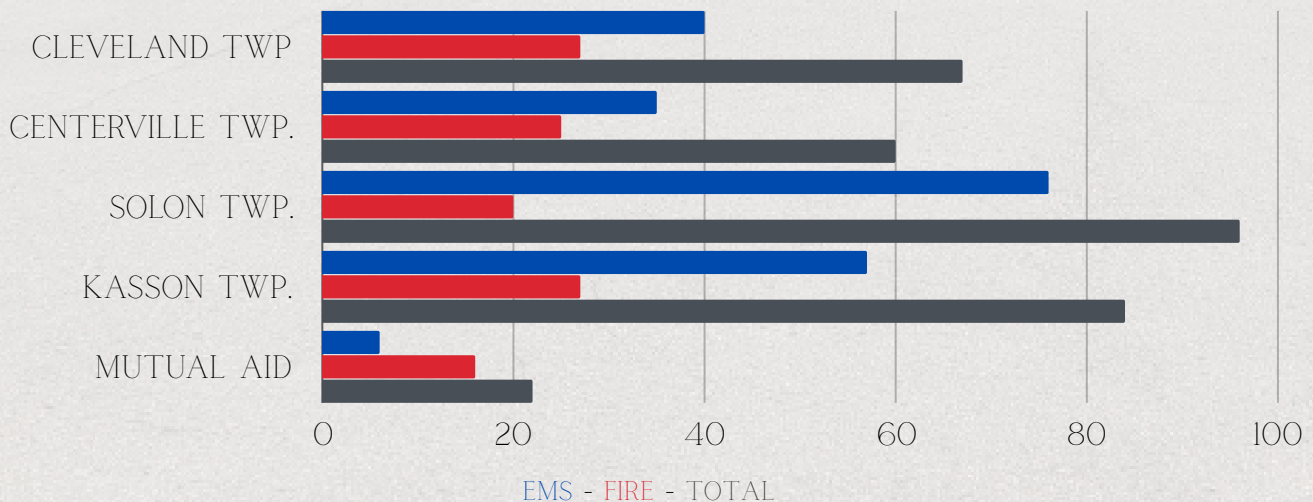
MONTHLY CALLS BY TOWNSHIP

Solon finished the month leading our calls for service with 20 followed by Kasson with 15. Centerville and Cleveland finished the month with 11. We also responded to 3 Fire type and 1 EMS type aid incidents.



YEARLY CALLS BY TOWNSHIP

Solon Township has the lead in total calls for service in 2024. Kasson is second, followed by Cleveland and Centerville. Incidents where we have given aid stand at 22 for the year.



APPARATUS HEALTH



Engine 811 - In Service with no Reported Issues.



Tanker 822 - In-Service with no Reported Issues



Brush 841 - In-Service with no Reported Issues



Kubota 882 - In-Service with no Reported Issues



Ambulance 891 - In-Service with no Reported Issues



Ambulance 892 - In-Service with no Reported Issues

TRAINING

Our members completed 341 hours of training last month covering various topics. This also includes our new members probationary training requirements.

341 Hours of
Training

MABAS DIVISION 3701

No news for July.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Distanced education continues on our social media platforms. We are accepting requests for the FireWise property assessments to reduce the risk of wildland fires around homes. To take part in this free program contact:

Chief Doornbos - adoornbos@cedarareafirerescue.org

Firefighter Boomer - dboomer@cedarareafirerescue.org

A MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

JULY WAS OUR BUSIEST MONTH SO FAR IN 2024!

THIS MONTH I WOULD LIKE TO COVER SOME SAFETY RELATED ITEMS IN THIS MESSAGE. FIRST, AS YOU ALL KNOW WE HAVE A LARGE POPULATION OF CYCLISTS THAT ENJOY OUR ROADS DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS. WITH THE CURVING AND WINDING ROADS THROUGHOUT OUR COUNTY PLEASE KEEP A VIGILANT EYE OUT FOR THESE RIDERS. MANY TIMES WHERE THERE'S ONE THERE'S MORE!

SECONDLY, I WOULD LIKE TO TALK ABOUT POWERLINE INCIDENTS. TREES ON POWERLINES IS A REGULAR OCCURRENCE IN OUR RURAL AREA. THIS MAY NOT SEEM LIKE IT IS A BIG DEAL AS I'M SURE MOST OF YOU HAVE SEEN A TREE LYING ON THE POWER LINES. I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT TREES ON POWERLINES AND DOWNED POWERLINES ALONE ARE EXTREMELY DANGEROUS. THE CALL THAT WAS SHOWN ON THE HIGHLIGHTS PAGE DEMONSTRATES A LIVE POWERLINE CAN CAUSE SIGNIFICANT INJURY OR DEATH.

YOU MAY WONDER SOMETIMES WHY WE HAVE THE ROADS SHUT DOWN FOR A SEEMINGLY MINOR REASON. WELL WHEN THESE LINES BREAK THEY CAN SNAP BACK AT LEAST THE LENGTH OF ONE POLE SPAN. EVEN WHEN THE LINES BREAK THERE IS NO GUARANTEE THAT THE LINES ARE NOT ENERGIZED ANY LONGER.



ON OUR INCIDENT THE LINE IN QUESTION WAS LIVE AND ARCING UNTIL THE POWER COMPANY CAME AND DE-ENERGIZED THE LINE. THE HEAT CREATED FROM THESE LINES ARCING CAN "BOIL THE SOIL" FOR LACK OF A BETTER DESCRIPTION AND SOMETIMES YOU ARE ABLE TO FIND WHAT I LIKE TO CALL "POWERLINE GLASS". IF YOU SEE AN ISSUE WITH A POWERLINE PLEASE STAY AWAY AND CALL FOR ASSISTANCE!

BE SAFE!

Chief Doornbos