



DECATUR FIRE DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM 2023-02

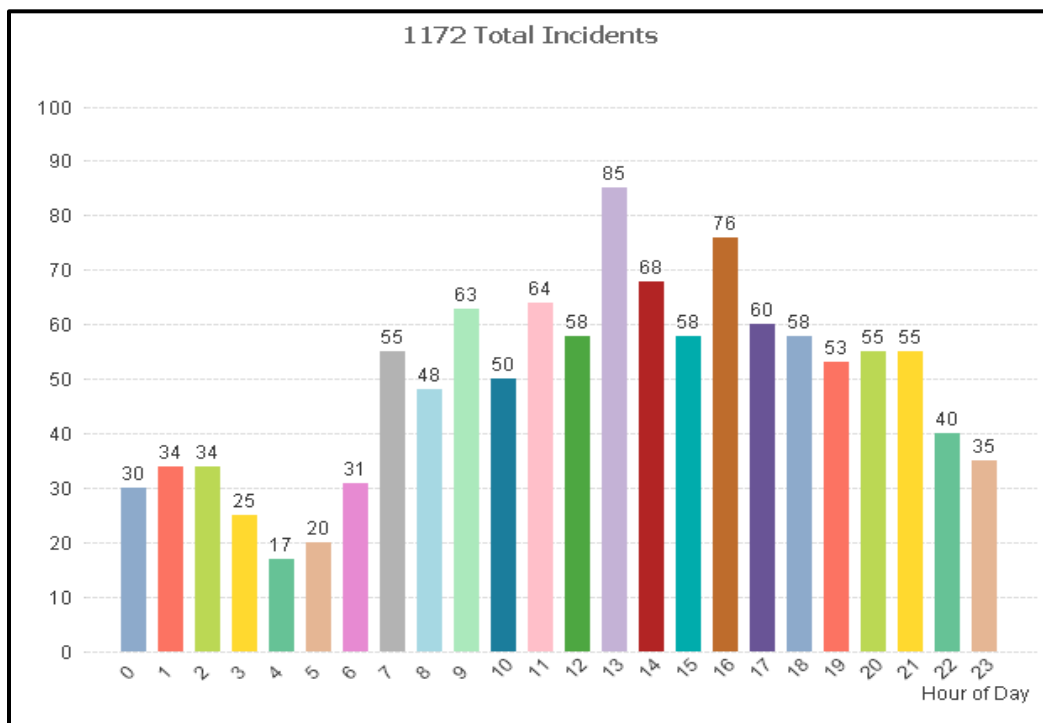
February 9, 2023

TO: Scot Wrighton, City Manager
FROM: Jeff Abbott, Fire Chief
RE: Monthly Report – January 2023

The fire department responded to 1172 alarms in January. That is 163 more alarms than in January of 2022. The department is currently working on implementing a new Record Management System (RMS) to replace the current program which is over 20 years old and no longer supported.

The status of the new station 7 is on hold as the overhead doors have not arrived. Once the doors are installed, the move from the old station to the new one can begin. Early March is looking like the target date to open the station.

Once the new station opens, some of the alarm territories will be changed to reflect the current locations of the new stations. For example, with the location of the new station 7, Engine 7 will be able to cover all the territory east of Lake Decatur except a small area around William Street.



Training Report:

Monthly EMS continuing education through the Vector Solutions training site for all members: Review the anatomy and physiology of the spine, chest, and abdomen. Identify the common injuries to the spine, chest, and abdomen. Review the pre-hospital management of injuries of this nature. All members completed an exam in Vector Solutions with a minimum passing score of 80%.

All members reviewed protocols A02-Cardiopulmonary Arrest, A04-Asystole, A05 Atrial Fib/Flutter, A-11 Tachyarrhythmia stable, and Tachyarrhythmia unstable.

All members completed Company Code Stations: Demonstrate and familiarization of current AHA BLS protocols for cardiac arrest. Review Region 6 protocols with instructor. Operate assigned AED, Following Region 6 protocols on the training code manikin. Perform cardiac arrest management as an integrated company of BLS/ILS/and ALS providers. Know how to perform manual defibrillation functions using your assigned AED. Analyze ECG tracings and identify rhythms generated by the simulator on the ECG screen.

All members completed the SCBA confidence course. Donning all protective equipment including SCBA using proper procedures and go on air. Navigate through restricted openings and entanglement hazards. While navigating the course, members were also looking for a downed firefighter and assisting by connecting buddy breathing lines.

Special operations team training consisted of Search and Rescue Rope Systems with hands-on training conducted at station 1.

Fire Prevention Division: No Report