



Gorham Fire and EMS
Town of Gorham New Hampshire
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Department Update 10/19/2020

Fire and EMS

Fire and EMS members continue responding to calls, with motor vehicle accidents being the majority of call volume. Due to drought conditions across the state, FD Officers were kept busy responding to open burn complaints. Residents were advised of the brush fire burn and were allowed to continue any legal size, permitted fires. Residents are advised to always have access to water and standby any burning fires at all times.

Engine 3 and Engine 4 were run through their annual pump tests. Both trucks were able to meet the required gallons per minute and length of test points. Annual pump testing allows us to monitor the status of our pumps and ensure they are ready to respond when needed.

EMS members viewed many different Ambulance demos as we continue to refine what we are looking for in our next ambulance. The Duty Crew has also been busy bringing two new hires up to speed as we continually look to boost our call member roster. Members have been attending recertification training as we move towards another March deadline for our bi-annual recertification. Following are EMS call stats for September:

Month: September 2020

CFS's: 59

911: 42

Gorham: 34.....Mutual Aid to Berlin 1, Medic Intercept Gilead 1

Randolph: 2

Shelburne: 3

County Area: 1 - Green's Grant 1

Transfer: 17

Transport: 2

Decline: 15, no crew 14, no truck 1

Weekday: 36

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Weekend: 23

6A-12P: 16

12P-6P: 21

6P-12A: 16

12A-6A: 6

Emergency Management/Chief Duties:

We have decided to move forward with Scott for the purchase of our new SCBAs. Our current packs our Scott and after looking at a couple different options we decided to continue with Scott. The new packs will have a long as we own it warranty helping to ensure low cost of ownership over their lifetime.

Work continues on the update of our Emergency Operations Plan, with ZOOM meetings having completed about half the work so far. I continue to work on updating contact and equipment lists so they will have the correct info once merged with the plan.

Through various webinars and discussions with officials we have published guidelines to assist with keeping everyone safe during Trick or Treating. Covid-19 has changed many of the things we used to take for granted and this is no exception. Guidelines are posted on the website and have been pushed out through Facebook.

I am in the process of completing the paperwork for a Homeland Security Grant to update our Hazard Mitigation plan. We are required to update the plan every 5 years, with ours due next year. This grant is \$7500 with a \$2500 in kind match.

Year to Date Call Stats:

Fire: 150

EMS: 502

Respectfully Submitted
Chief Philip Cloutier



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