



Gorham Fire and EMS
Town of Gorham New Hampshire
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Fire and EMS

Department members worked their way through the snowy month of February staying busy. During this time we saw an increase in calls for service at the Wildcat Ski Area as is typical during school vacation weeks in the winter. The crews dealt with many injuries including several broken legs. During on Saturday the crew answered three calls to Wildcat without having time to return to the station in between calls. Many patients at Wildcat request transport to North Conway as that is where they live or are staying on vacation. EMS crews are happy to oblige when possible.

The firefighters were kept busy responding to the normal volume of calls including car accidents, alarm activations, and even a bomb scare. Crews responded to Walmart for a reported bomb scare with building evacuation. Law Enforcement investigated while crews searched the building for anything out of place. The investigation determined it was a hoax along with many other calls throughout the state within that time frame. When responding to these types of accidents you can never be too careful as you never know what you may find. Pictured below are scenes from a car accident on Route 16.



Emergency Management/Health Officer/Chief Duties

We worked to proofread and finalize the 2023 Hazard Mitigation Plan update for the town. The plan has been submitted to Homeland Security and Emergency Management for approval which is expected at some point later this spring. Thank you to all Town employees who sat in on meetings and provided input of the update of the plan. This plan is a basis for work which needs to be completed over the next 5 years to lessen the impact of disasters on the town.

Work has been completed on the 2023 operating budget with Town Meeting scheduled to happen on March 14th. Thank you to the Selectmen and Budget Committee for their work in this budget cycle as we present a budget that I believe is fiscally responsible and maintains the level of service and operations needed to be ready to respond to an emergency.

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Serving the communities of Gorham, Randolph, and Shelburne



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Call Numbers

Fire:

CFS's: 82

911: 48

Gorham: 35

Randolph: 0

Shelburne: 1

County Area: 9 – Pinkham's Grant 9 – Wildcat 7, Rt 16 1, AMC 1

Transfer: 34

Transport: 4

Decline: 30

Weekday: 57

Weekend: 25

6A-12P: 18

12P-6P: 31

Mutual Aid to Berlin: 3

Mutual Aid from Berlin: 1

Respectfully submitted,

Chief Philip Cloutier