



Gorham Fire and EMS
Town of Gorham New Hampshire
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Department Update 09/18/2020

Fire and EMS

Fire and EMS have been busy responding to calls over the last summer. The early summer saw a decrease in calls as we worked through the early stages of COVID-19. The call volume has mostly returned to normal as we move into the fall.

The Department welcomed home Tanker 1. Our new Tanker, a 2021 Freightliner with a 1000 GPM pump and a 2000 gallon tank built by Midwest Fire, was placed into service on 09/01/20 at the monthly meeting. Members participated in a wet down ceremony and push in ceremony to commemorate the occasion. The Department and the Tanker were blessed by Mary White prior to the ceremonies.

The EMS Operations staff has been working on looking into options for a new Ambulance. Lt. Santy has been in contact with several vendors and has a few demo ambulance scheduled to come up for viewing in the future. Current plans are to replace Ambulance 2 in 2021. Following are the EMS call stats for August:

Month: August 2020

CFS's: 68

911: 50

Gorham: 30

Randolph: 4

Shelburne: 2

County Area: 13 – Pinkham's Grant 5, Green's Grant 5, Sargent's Purchase 1, Martin's Location 2

Transfer: 18

Transport: 3

Decline: 15

Weekday: 45



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Weekend: 23

6A-12P: 17

12P-6P: 23

6P-12A: 17

12A-6A: 11

Emergency Management/Chief Duties

Work continues on the ordering of the new SCBAs which will be paid for through the AFG Grant. We have met with a couple different manufacturers and will be hopefully taking delivery of them in October at some point.

I am working with Department Heads and other town employees to update the Emergency Operations Plan for the Town. The plan is updated every five years to make sure it is up to date if the need arises to use it. The work is paid for through a Homeland Security grant which includes a match from the town which is covered by the man hours during the process.

The year 2020 has seen many grants approved and in process for the Fire Department, listed below.

- 2019 AFG Grant for new SCBAs, \$134,619 funded with a 5% match
- Department of Justice grant for ultraviolet lights, \$1099.98 funded with no match
- HSEM Grant for Emergency Operations Plan, \$4,000 funded with \$4,000 in kind match
- Walmart Community Grant, \$900 for prescription SCBA lens inserts, no match
- HSEM Mobile Repeater grant, \$22,682 funded, \$2782 spent, \$22,682 local training match
- NH Department of Safety radio reprogram, \$2950 funded, no local match

Year to Date call stats:

Fire: 122

EMS: 431

Respectfully Submitted
Chief Philip Cloutier



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