



# Bradley Fire Department

## *October 2019 Monthly Report*

The Fire Department responded to approximately 251 calls for the month of October 2019. I will have a breakdown of the call types at a later date:

### **Maintenance Items:**

- Annual hose testing was completed in October. The department did lose a few sections during this process and will need to replace our surplus/reserve cache.

### **Public Relations**

- Members participated in the BBCHS homecoming parade.
- In conjunction with the Bourbonnais Fire Protection District conducted fire safety days at Lowes and Meijer's.
- Members participated in Halloween public relation events at KIA and Renew Church
- Please see attached document regarding school presentations.

### **Fire Losses in Bradley**

- We had a residential fire in the 100 block of South Clinton that caused extensive damage and is currently un-inhabitable.
- We had a small fryer fire in a restaurant/bar in the 100 block of North Kenzie Ave. The fire suppression system contained in the hood system was able to contain the fire until the fire department arrived and suppressed the remain hot spots. The business was closed for the majority of the morning and afternoon while they cleaned up per the health department. By early evening they were able to open the bar for drinks and by early afternoon the next day they had cleaned and replaced damaged kitchen equipment allowing them to begin serving meals. It is extremely important to note that an adequate operating hood suppression system and fire alarm system along with a quick response from the Bradley Fire Department as well as auto-aid departments kept the incident at a small outcome.

### **Fire Prevention Activities:**

- I will have the breakdown of residential and business inspections at a later date.
- I would like to point out that two of our larger businesses had issues where their employees hit the sprinkler systems and caused damage to the systems. The damage was extensive enough that the systems had to be shut down and repairs had to be made. Currently the systems are backing up and operating.

### **Grants:**

- FEMA Regional Fire Grant – all but two mobile radios have been installed by Williams Communications. We are currently waiting on the portables to arrive.
- Our request for a FEMA Grant to purchase (2) Stryker cots was denied at this time.



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- FEMA Regional Fire Grant – the MABAS 7 Fire Chiefs will be pursuing a regional grant for in-station alerting systems. This is in the initial phase and more information will be available. If you're interested in what the system may look like I have provided a link for you to look at. <https://stationalerting.com/>

### **Training:**

- Personnel had didactic and hands on training regarding auto extrication equipment, including the new battery operated rotary saw.
- EMS training consisted of the Zoll Auto Pulse device and EMS training utilizing Target Solutions

### **Current/Upcoming Projects:**

- The Illinois Fire Chiefs Association representative needed some additional information for the report. I presented them the information they requested and had a follow-up phone conversation to discuss the questions they were asking. They are finishing up the report and expect to be on time with presenting to the board its findings.
- ISO requested some additional information which we are verifying the information to ensure that it is correct. We will provide that document in the very near future.
- Recently the fire department received two items from Serve Pro at no cost. They are:
  - A wooden doll house that allows for fire personnel to demonstrate with live fire and smoke travel through homes.
  - The second item was 6 cases of bottled water that personnel can utilize to hydrate at incidents. If you happen to be out and see a Serve Pro rep please say thanks.

Report Respectfully Submitted by:

*James R. Keener*

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Interim Fire Chief

Public relations report

October 2019

On Friday October 4, Bradley Fire personnel gave a station tour and spoke to 10 children about fire safety



From October 7 to October 10<sup>th</sup> firefighters brought the safety trailer to Bradley East school and spoke to pre-k thru 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students about fire safety. The BFD personnel focused on escape plans this year and sent homework home for the students.



On Friday October 11, the duty crew and administrative assistant went to the Little Green School House daycare and taught the children stop, drop, and roll, and taught them not be afraid of firefighters in gear



Saturday October 13, Bradley fire department and Bourbonnais protection district took part in Lowes safety days. The crews brought the children through the safety trailer and passed out fire prevention goody bags.





On Tuesday 15, duty crews went to Bishop Mac School with the safety trailer and taught pre-k through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students about fire safety. These children were also given homework and taught about escape plans.

Wednesday October 16<sup>th</sup> Chief Keener and Lt. Dockus participated in the site evacuation drill with Bradley East School.

On Thursday October 17<sup>th</sup> the duty crew assisted Bishop Mac School with their annual fire drill.

Friday October 18, 8 daycare children came to tour the station and Danielle taught them about stop, drop, and roll and gave them goody bags.



The Bradley Fire Department and Bourbonnais Protection district partnered on Saturday October 19<sup>th</sup> at the Meijer Safety days.



On Thursday October 24<sup>th</sup> 3 personnel took part in the county wide active shooter drill.

Personnel passed out candy to children at the trunk or treat event at Kia of Bradley on Friday October 25<sup>th</sup>.

Members of the BFD took part in the ribbon cutting of Firehouse subs and announced the purchase of an auto pulse device through the Firehouse subs grants foundation.



On Halloween firefighters passed out candy to children at the trunk or treat event at ReNew Church and at the fire station.



Bradley Fire Department personnel spent approximately 230 man-hours on public relations in October.

The Community Development Committee was called to order on Monday, November 4, 2019 at 4:40 p.m. Mayor Watson presided. In attendance were Trustee Westphal, Trustee Watson Trustee LeBran was absent.

Public Comments – there was none.

#### Recreational Cannabis (Marijuana)

Administrator Wojnarowski reminded us the state is legalizing Marijuana effective January 1, 2019. In preparation we had three town hall meeting with little opposition, our Legal team put together a survey that staff administered to the Board regarding allowing Recreational Cannabis in our Community. There is an Ordinance that is going before the Planning and Zoning Board for a Special Use for a dispensary on Friday, November 8, 2019.

Discussion regarding Medical Marijuana.

There is a Licensing process that will happen in late Spring of next year from the State. Licenses from the State are extremely expensive.

Ordinance is designed to create Zoning categories for the dispensary, which takes time to get all in place. Therefore, the Ordinance will going to the Planning & Zoning Board on Friday, November 8, 2019 and go to the Village Board on Tuesday, November 12, 2019 for a first reading. There is a time line that has to be in place in regards to applying for their State License, there's no guarantee they will get it. This is a National Stakeholder they have several dispensary across the country, so they have some expertise.

Detail discussion - going over the Ordinance.

This will be in a B-3 Zoning.

The Village has the discretion and ability to set the standards in regards to how many feet to residential areas. (Facility must be 1000' from the property line school etc., and 500' from any property zoned or used for residential purposes for all six categories)

A motion to send the Ordinance with the changes to the Board subject to any changes from the Planning and Zoning Committee Tuesday, November 12, 2019 was made by Trustee Westphal and seconded by Trustee Lebran on an unanimous aye vote.

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Lebran and seconded by Trustee Westphal on an unanimous aye vote.

Chairman Michael Watson