

## **Minutes of the Sparta Fire Board Meeting**

**April 22, 2021**

**In person & Zoom Access Meeting**

**Present:** Bergman (twp-chair), Anderson (twp), Cumings (village), Goodfellow (twp), Bill Taylor (village) & Betty Van Patten (village)

**Also, present:** Chief Olney, Deputy Chief Carl Wood

**Absent:** None

Bergman called the meeting to order @7:00 pm.

**Additions to Agenda:** none

**Approval of the Agenda:**

**Motion: Made by Van Patten** to approve the agenda.

**Seconded: Cumings**

**Motion Passed: 6-0**

**Public Comment: None**

**Award Presented by Kent County EMS:**

Dr Todd Chassee, head of the Kent County EMS described the actions for the "Life Saving Award". Lance Carey, Kent County EMS and Amy Fox Spectrum Health presented the awards to Chief Olney, Troy Brown, Jake Carter, Andrew Hortor, Paul Pant and Todd Fairchild (Rockford EMT). The award was for the life saving efforts preformed at a Sparta Football game back in October of 2019. With there efforts at that time, the person made full recovery.

**Approval of the Minutes:**

**Motion: Cumings** to approve the March 18, 2021 minutes.

**Seconded: Van Patten**

**Motion Passed: 6-0**

**Approval of the bills:**

**Motion: Made by Anderson** to approve bills from March 31, 2021- April 20, 2021.

**Seconded: Van Patten**

**Motion Passed: 6-0**

**Finance Board Update:**

Anderson stated that the finance board meet twice since the last board meeting and approved all department invoices of \$8987.28. The expenditures for the CARES Funds have already been accounted for and allocated into the current operational budget. Per Anderson, the operational budget, with the CARES Funds is approximately 94% of the expenditures for the operational budget. The Fire Department's fund balance increased by \$27,794.11. Cumings stated that the department purchased the Mason property, a new fire truck, Lucas Machine, turn out gear and still managed to increase their fund balance. The year end budget has been amended include the CARES revenue and expenditures. Dave Carpenter (village) also attended the last budget meeting and reviewed the reports with the members.

**Old Business:**

None.

**Chief's Report:** Chief Olney presented the Chief's report. (see attached). There were 220 calls YTD. The Chief stated there were 9 fires in the past month and 3 were fire assists along with 2 accidents in the last month.

**Lawn Care Agreement:**

The Chief presented to the board a request to hire Water Works for the department lawn care and maintenance. Water Works has been the contractor we'd used in the past the Chief is very happy with their work.

**Motion: Made by Anderson** to accept the quote presented by the Chief.

**Seconded: Goodfellow**

**Motion Passed: 6-0**

**Knox Box Purchase:**

The Chief presented to the board a request to purchase 9 Knox boxes for all the Sparta Area Schools. The Chief stated that the School system will reimburse the department for the purchase. The Knox boxes give the fire department the required access to the school building in the event of an emergency.

**Motion: Made by Goodfellow** to accept the quote presented by the Chief.

**Seconded: Van Patten**

**Motion Passed: 6-0**

**Next Meeting Date:** May 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the fire station.

**Next Finance Meeting Dates:** May 4<sup>th</sup> and May 18<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 PM at the fire station.

**Public Comment:** none

**Adjournment:**

**Motion: Made by Anderson** to adjourn at 7:35 PM.

**Seconded: Cumings**

**Motion Passed: 6-0**

Minutes by Goodfellow 3-21-21

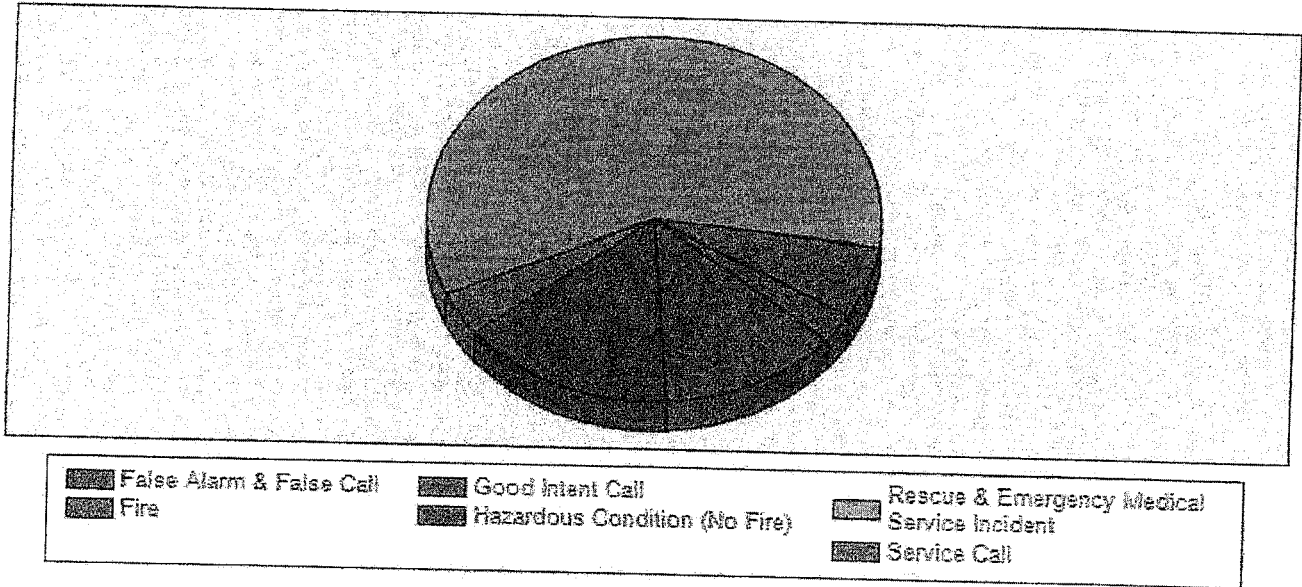
# Sparta Fire Department

Sparta, MI



## Major Incident Types by Month for Date Range

Start Date: 03/15/2021 | End Date: 04/18/2021



INCIDENT TYPE	MAR	APR	TOTAL
False Alarm & False Call	1	1	2
Fire	6	4	10
Good Intent Call	7	5	12
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	2	1	3
Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident	23	23	46
Service Call	2	3	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>78</b>

**Total calls as of April 18, 2021**

**220**

# Chiefs Report April 22, 2021

## **Old Business:**

1. Year end budget report

## **New Business:**

### 1. Monthly report

#### a. Fire calls and alarms:

1. 22000 block of Crockery Woods – Assist to Casnovia
2. Fruitridge and 15-mile – minor grass fire
3. 89 Pearl – unattached garage fire – assist from Alpine and Kent City
4. 100 Ida Red – fire alarm
5. 465 E. Division – building fire – Assist from Alpine and Kent City
6. 13000 block of Sunset Pines – assist to Solon with Tender #8
7. 11000 Orchard Park – assist to Algoma with Engine #3 and Tender #8
8. 8500 block of Division – minor grass fire
9. 10200 block of Meadowgate – assist to Algoma

#### b. Wires and hazardous condition calls:

1. 100 block of Ida Red – CO alarm
2. 100 block of Union – CO alarm
3. 400 block of W. Division – wire down

#### c. Accidents:

1. M37 and Sparta Ave – minor injuries
2. 12000 block of Fruitridge – no injuries