

# STILLWATER FIRE DEPARTMENT 2017 ANNUAL REPORT



**Professionalism, Respect, Integrity, Dedication,  
Excellence – P.R.I.D.E.!**

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## ***MISSION STATEMENT***

Our commitment is to protect life and property through dedicated service to the community.

### **Stillwater Fire Department Personnel Qualities and Expectations**

- **Professionalism**
  - Support the goals of the Department and the City of Stillwater
  - Provide input and support decisions of the organization and management
  - Deal with others with respect and tact
  - Customer service oriented
  - Conduct self in a professional manner on and off the fire ground
- **Respect**
  - Respect the traditions and history of the Fire Service and the Stillwater Fire Department
  - Respect the authority of officers and the leadership of the Department
  - Respect co-workers
  - Respect City property and equipment
  - Respect the Citizens served and be understanding of their needs
- **Integrity**
  - Honest
  - Ethical
  - Loyal
  - Follow through with commitments
  - Assume responsibility for actions of self and staff under their direction
- **Dedication**
  - Provide solutions / options for challenges facing the Department
  - Seek to improve self for the betterment of the organization, e.g., schooling, seminars, etc.
  - Willing to go the extra step for the overall good of the City of Stillwater
  - Goal oriented (individually and organizationally)
- **Excellence**
  - Has basic competence to perform at the level of the position they are seeking or are reasonably capable of learning the expectations of the job
  - Recognize when a situation is above their level of authority or capability and is not afraid to seek assistance with the issue
  - Seek to improve self and Department

**P. R. I. D. E.!**

# 2017 ANNUAL SUMMARY

**TOTAL NUMBER OF INCIDENTS – 1,913**

*FIRE*  
*RESCUE / EMS*  
*SERVICE*  
*ALARMS*  
*MISCELLANEOUS*

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## ***MOST INCIDENTS BY MONTH, DAY AND TIME***

*MONTH WITH THE MOST INCIDENTS – JUNE*

*DAY OF THE WEEK WITH MOST INCIDENTS – THURSDAY*

*TIME OF DAY WITH THE MOST INCIDENTS – 12:00PM – 4:00PM (464 CALLS)*

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## ***AVERAGE EMERGENCY RESPONSE TIME\****

*CITY OF STILLWATER – 4 MINUTES*

*CITY OF GRANT – 6 MINUTES*

*STILLWATER TOWNSHIP – 6 MINUTES*

*MAY TOWNSHIP – 11 MINUTES*

*\* AVERAGE RESPONSE TIME IS FOR EMERGENCY AND NON-EMERGENCY CALLS*

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## ***MEMBER TRAINING HOURS – 4,233***

*FIRE PREVENTION - PUBLIC EDUCATION CONTACTS – 8,060*

*FIRE PREVENTION - PUBLIC EDUCATION STAFF HOURS – 687*

*FIRE HYDRANT MAINTENANCE – 1,118*



*New Horizon Visit - Captain Zoller  
& Captain Zeuli*



*Annual Hydrant Flushing*

# ***COMMUNITIES SERVED***

## **CITY OF STILLWATER**

**Mayor** Ted Kozlowski

**City Council** Doug Menikheim  
David Junker  
Tom Weidner  
Mike Polehna

**City Administrator** Tom McCarty

**City Clerk** Diane Ward

## **CITY OF GRANT**

**Mayor** Jeff Huber

**City Council** Loren Sederstrom  
Larry Lanoux  
Tom Carr  
Denny Kaup

**City Clerk** Kim Points

## **STILLWATER TOWNSHIP**

**Township Supervisors** Lee Busse  
Jackie Garofalo  
Rod Hunter  
David Johnson  
Shelia-Marie Untiedt

**Township Clerk** Kathy Schmoeckel

## **MAY TOWNSHIP**

**Township Supervisors** Bill Voedisch  
John Pazlar  
John Adams

**Township Clerk** Linda Klein

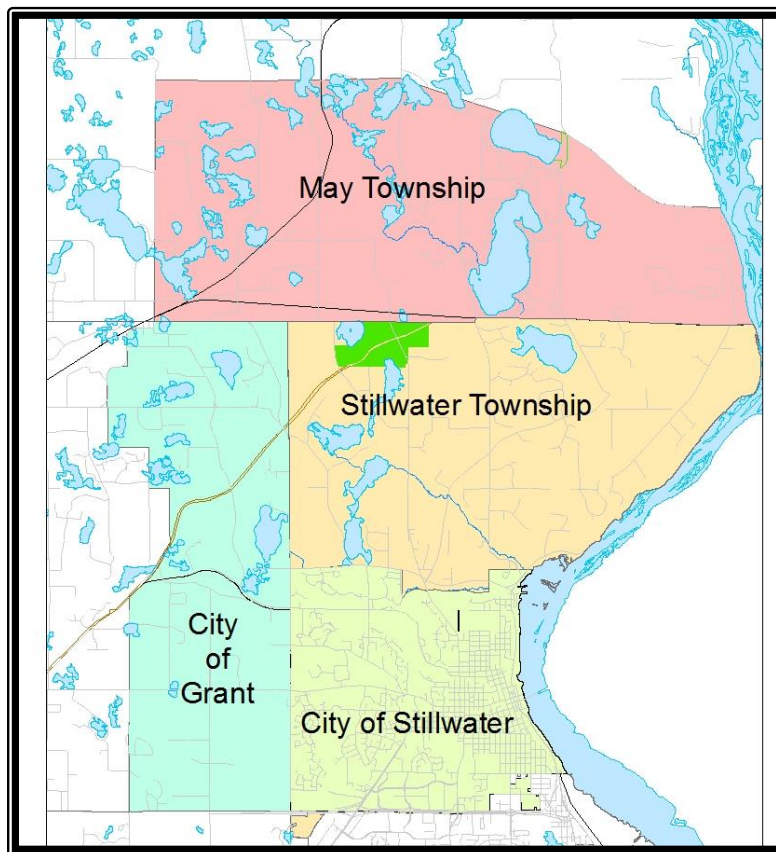
## ***JURISDICTION***

Metropolitan Council released population and household estimates July 2017.

- City of Stillwater – Population 19,693 (7,614 households)
- Stillwater Township – Population 2,013 (743 households)
- City of Grant – Population 4,153 (1,482 households)
- May Township - Population 2,761 (1,079 households)

The Stillwater Fire Department (SFD) responds to the following communities: City of Stillwater; Stillwater Township; a portion of May Township and a portion of the City of Grant. SFD provides mutual aid when requested to multiple surrounding communities. The Stillwater Fire Department provides emergency services to a sixty-one (61) square mile response area. Our borders extend as follows:

Highway 36 – Southern Border  
150<sup>th</sup> Street – Northern Border  
St Croix River – Eastern Border  
Keats Avenue North – Western Border



The Stillwater Fire Department's response area is vast and hosts a multitude of geographic and demographic aspects.

Demographics include: Historic Downtown Stillwater, single and multi-family residential, high-rise, commercial, and industrial, schools, clinics, hospital campus, government facilities, senior assisted living facilities and nursing homes.

Geographic logistics include: highways, various transportation routes, railways, cliffs, bluffs, ravines, rivers, lakes, swamps, agricultural and forested areas, recreational trails and park lands.



## ***SERVICES PROVIDED***

### **Fire Suppression**

- Structure – Residential/Commercial
- Wildland/Grass
- Marine
- Auto

### **Basic Life Support (BLS) - Non-Transport**

#### **Emergency Medical Services**

- Medical Emergencies
- CPR & AED Certified
- Advanced Airway Placement
- Assist Lakeview EMS
- Blood Pressure Checks

#### **Code Enforcement/Inspections**

- New Construction
- Commercial
- Multi-Family Residential
- Short Term Home Rentals
- Day Care
- Special Event

#### **Heavy Rescue**

- Auto Extrication
- High Level
- Rope

#### **Water/Ice Rescue**

- Surface
- Dive
- Boat

#### **Maintenance**

- City Fire Hydrants
- Fire Station
- Trucks/Equipment

#### **Fire Prevention**

- School Visits
- Open House
- Senior Programs

#### **Fire Education**

- In-service Training for Business
- Drills and Exercises

#### **Civic Support**

- Community Events
- Station Tours
- Child and Booster Seat Inspections



*McKusick Lake Swamp Fire*



*Firefighter/Engineer Bill Peltier helps fit a child for a bike helmet at the annual bike rodeo.*

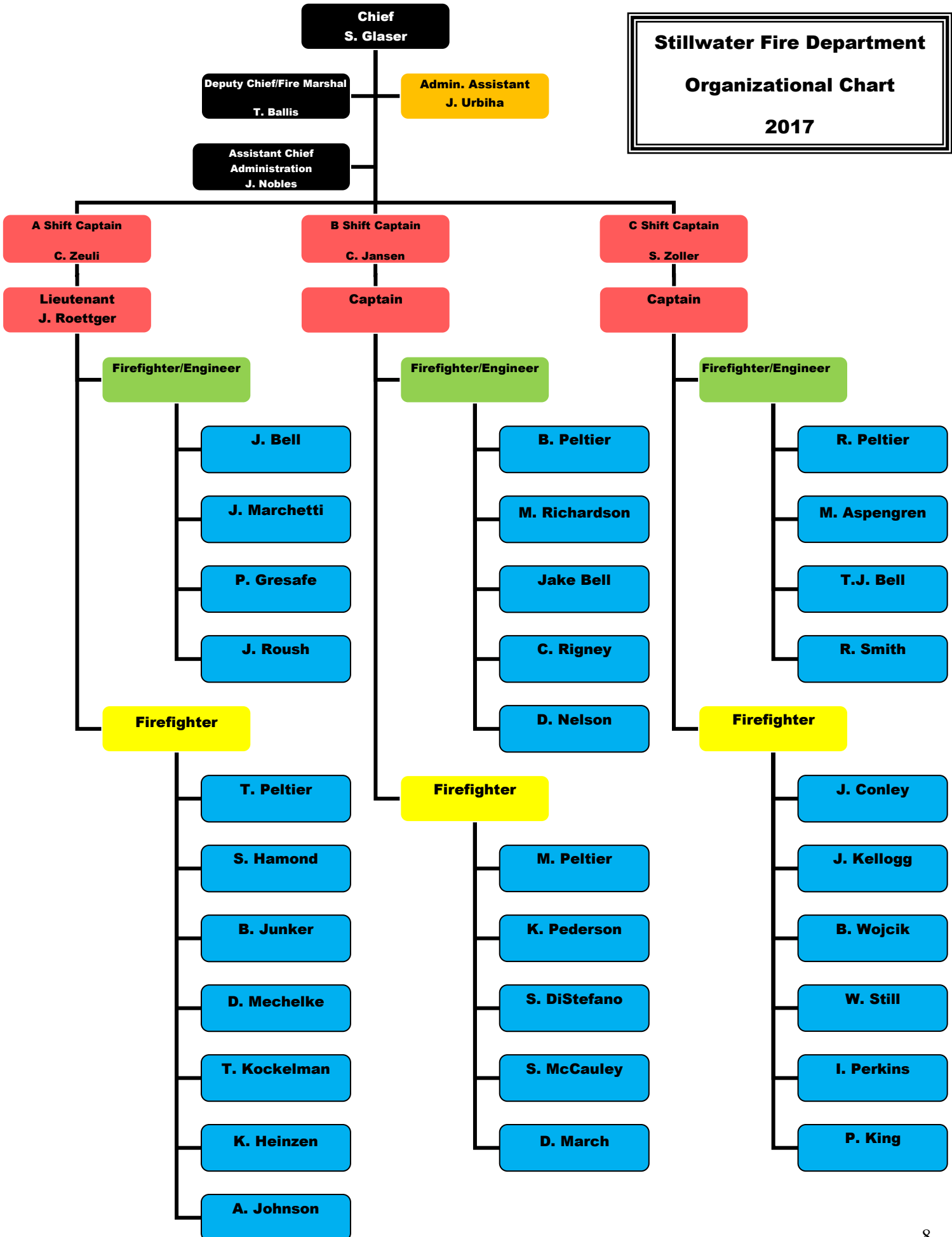


*Auto Extrication Training*



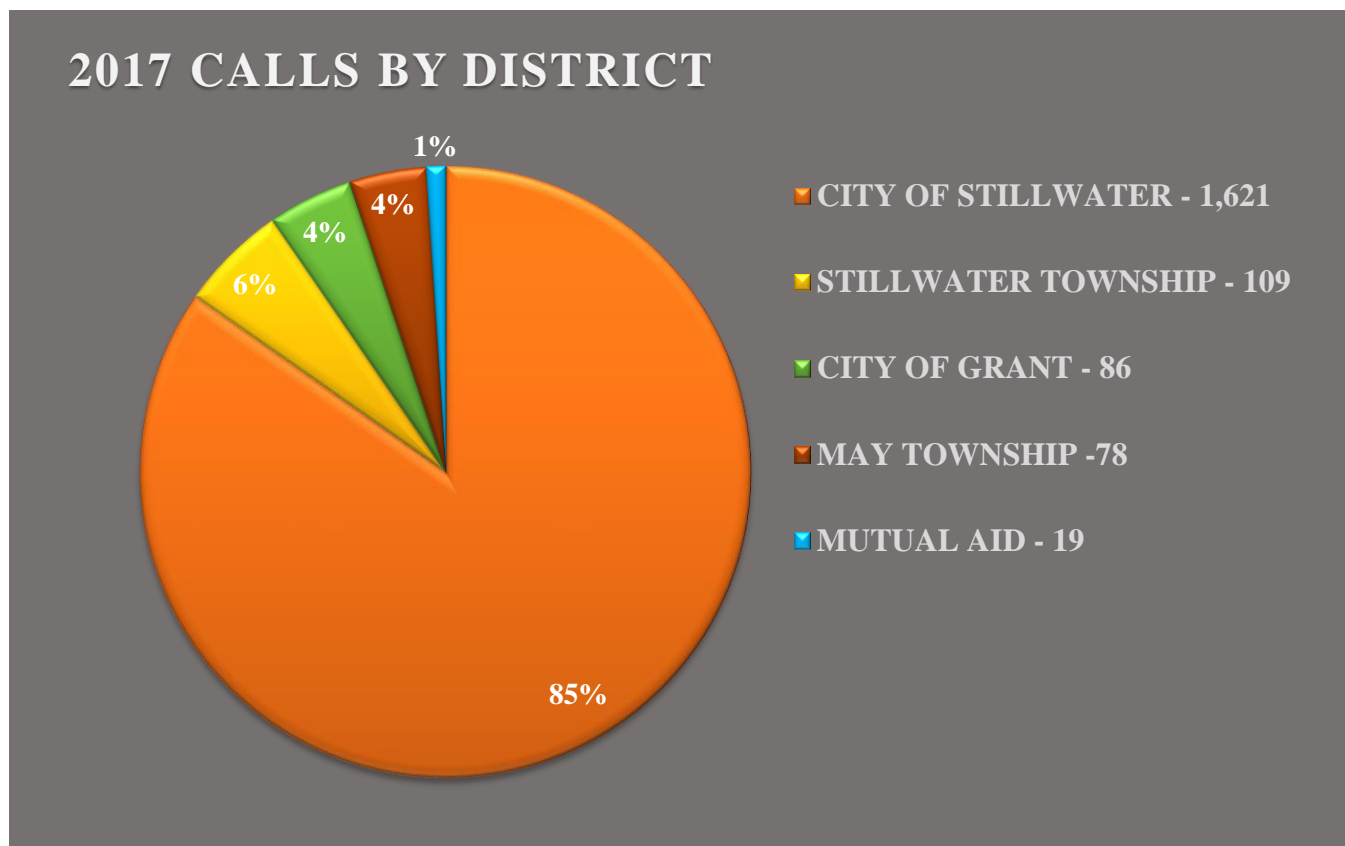
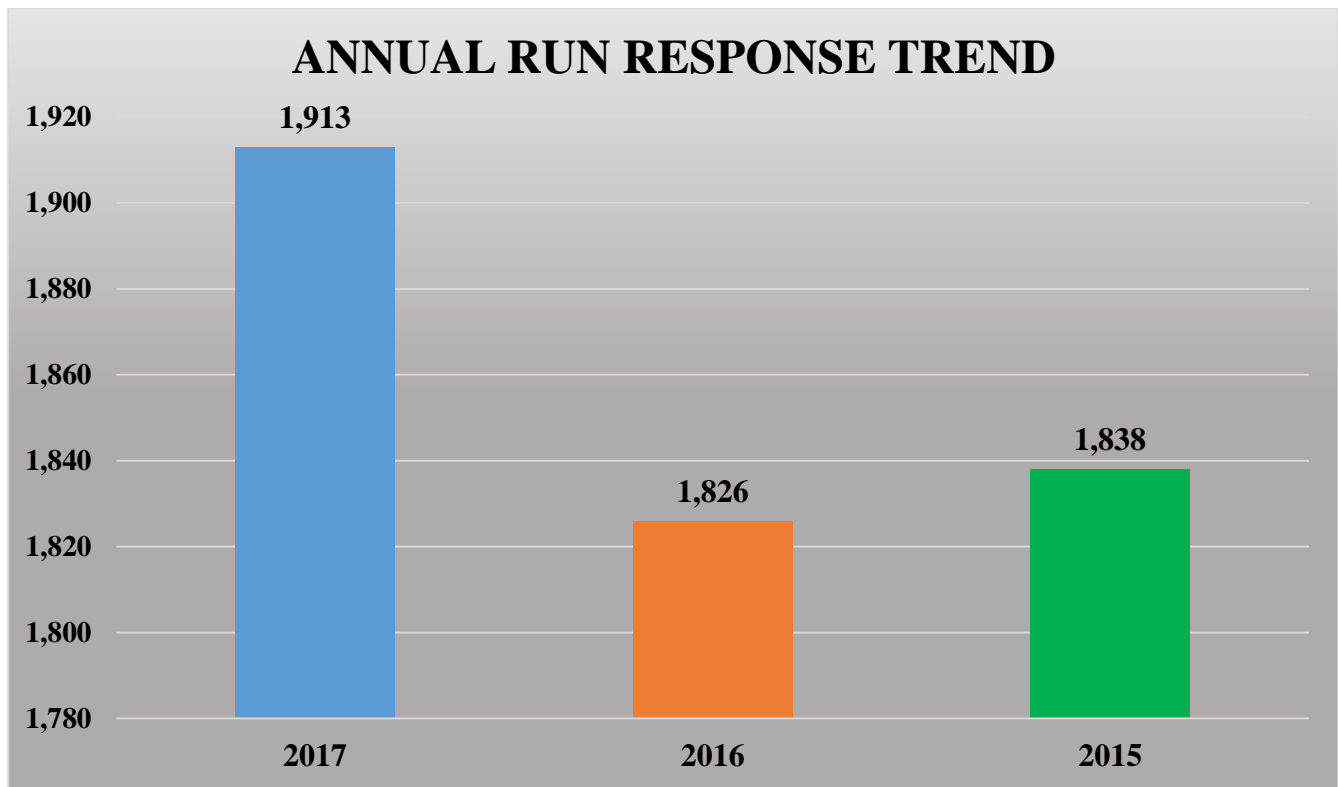
*Fire Prevention – Deputy Chief Tom Ballis*

**Stillwater Fire Department**  
**Organizational Chart**  
**2017**

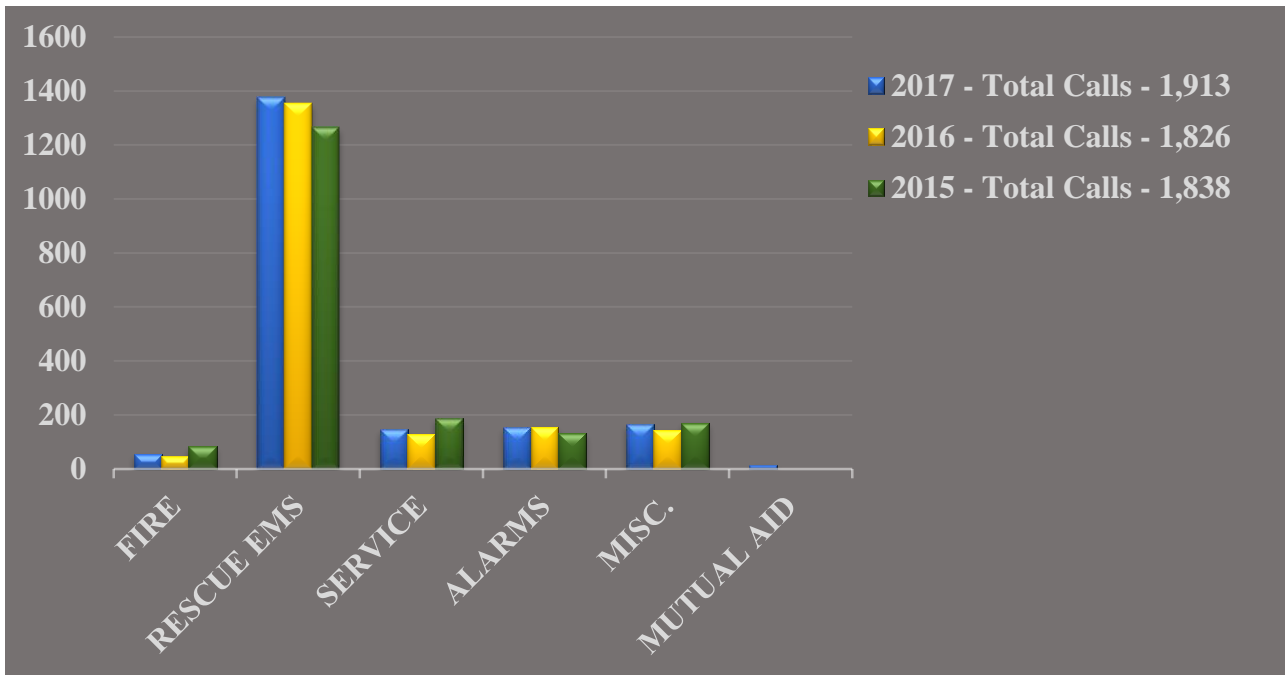




## RESPONSE SUMMARY

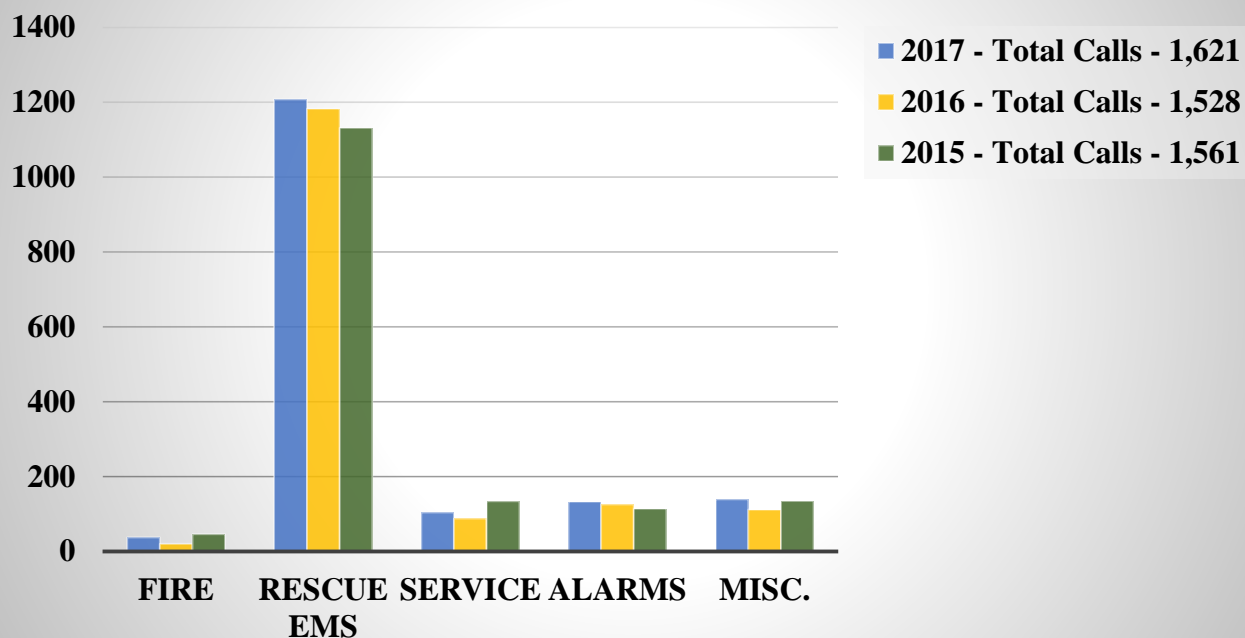


## Response Totals



SFD Fire District	2017	2016	2015
<b>Fire</b>			
Fire – Structure	26	26	30
Fire – Vehicle	17	4	7
Fire – Grass/Brush Outside	9	6	23
Fire – Other	11	9	22
<b>Rescue/EMS</b>			
EMS	1,269	1,259	1,163
MVA/Extrication	92	78	93
Rescue/Technical	22	17	10
<b>Service</b>			
Public Assist	47	47	102
Controlled Burn	32	40	53
Service Call – Other	72	41	32
<b>Alarms</b>			
Alarm/Sprinkler – Malfunction	33	42	25
Alarm/Sprinkler – Fire/Smoke	115	112	105
Alarm – Malicious	1	1	3
<b>Miscellaneous</b>			
Smoke Scare	24	24	25
Arching/Shorts	15	8	18
Spills/Leaks	63	41	39
Carbon Monoxide	29	18	25
Power Line	21	28	19
Misc. – Other	15	25	44
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1,913</b>	<b>1,826</b>	<b>1,838</b>

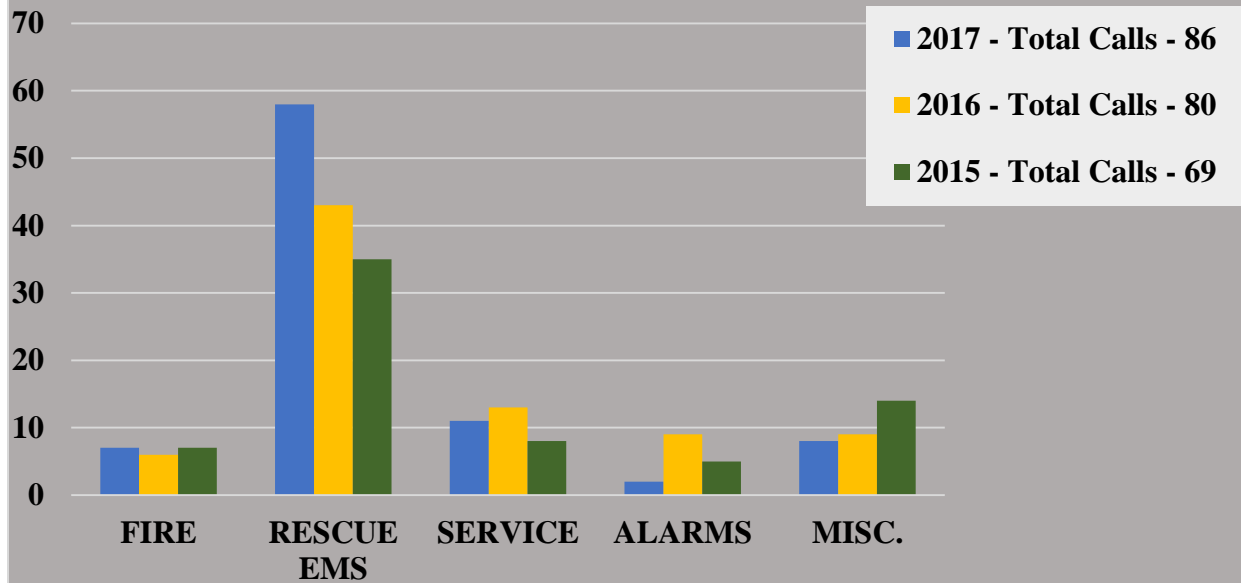
## CITY OF STILLWATER



City of Stillwater	2017	2016	2015
<b>Fire</b>			
Fire – Structure	11	12	15
Fire – Vehicle	14	1	4
Fire – Grass/Brush Outside	4	2	8
Fire – Other	8	5	19
<b>Rescue/EMS</b>			
EMS	1,126	1,120	1,055
MVA/Extrication	71	51	70
Rescue/Technical	11	12	7
<b>Service</b>			
Public Assist	40	44	98
Controlled Burn	9	12	7
Service Call – Other	55	32	29
<b>Alarms</b>			
Alarm/Sprinkler – Malfunction	30	34	22
Alarm/Sprinkler– Fire/Smoke	102	90	89
Alarm – Malicious	1	1	3
<b>Miscellaneous</b>			
Smoke Scare	21	18	24
Arching/Shorts	11	6	15
Spills/Leaks	53	35	27
Carbon Monoxide	29	17	23
Power Line	14	16	12
Misc. – Other	11	20	34
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1,621</b>	<b>1,528</b>	<b>1,561</b>

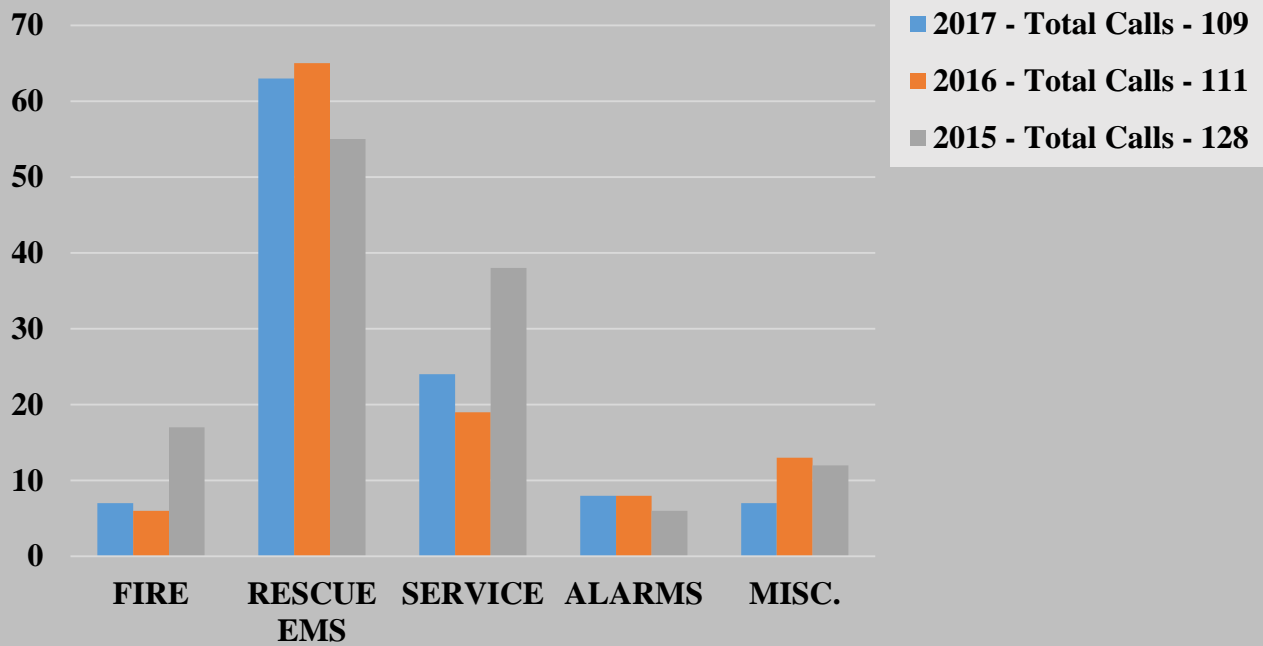


## CITY OF GRANT



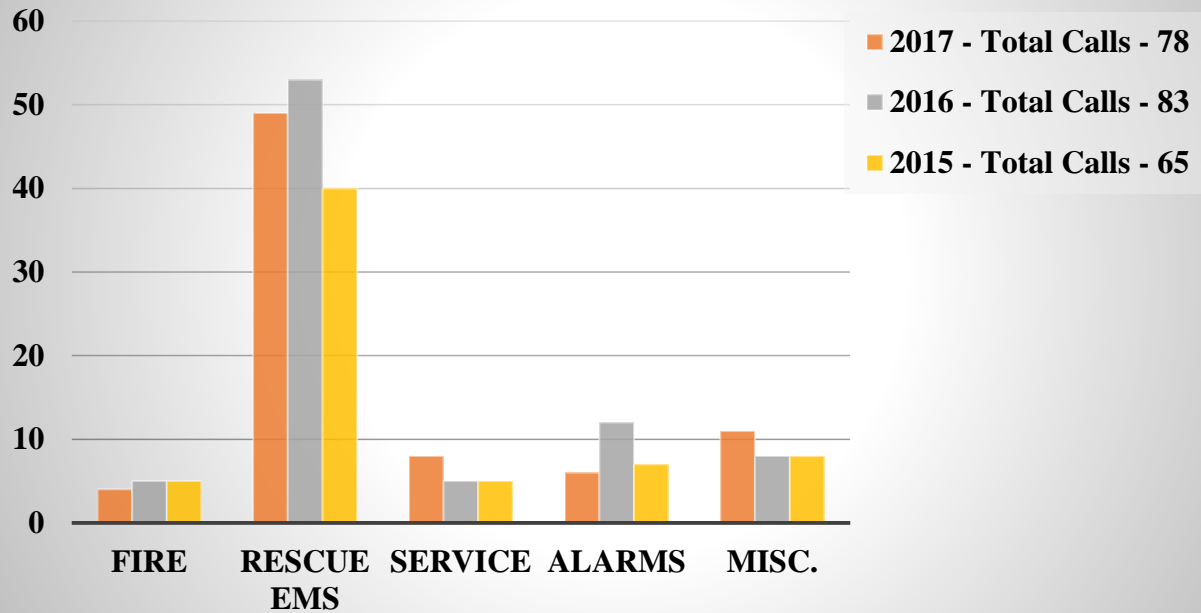
City of Grant	2017	2016	2015
<b>Fire</b>			
Fire – Structure	2	3	3
Fire – Vehicle	2	2	0
Fire – Grass/Brush Outside	3	1	4
Fire – Other	0	0	0
<b>Rescue/EMS</b>			
EMS	52	36	28
MVA/Extrication	4	0	0
Rescue/Technical	1	7	7
<b>Service</b>			
Public Assist	4	2	0
Controlled Burn	3	8	7
Service Call – Other	5	3	1
<b>Alarms</b>			
Alarm/Sprinkler – Malfunction	0	3	1
Alarm/Sprinkler – Fire/Smoke	2	6	4
Alarm – Malicious	0	0	0
<b>Miscellaneous</b>			
Smoke Scare	0	3	1
Arching/Shorts	1	0	1
Spills/Leaks	5	1	8
Carbon Monoxide	0	1	0
Power Line	0	2	1
Misc. – Other	2	2	3
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>69</b>

## STILLWATER TOWNSHIP



Stillwater Township	2017	2016	2015
<b>Fire</b>			
<b>Fire – Structure</b>	3	2	4
<b>Fire – Vehicle</b>	1	1	2
<b>Fire – Grass/Brush Outside</b>	1	2	9
<b>Fire – Other</b>	2	1	2
<b>Rescue/EMS</b>			
<b>EMS</b>	46	53	45
<b>MVA/Extrication</b>	15	10	9
<b>Rescue – Technical</b>	2	2	1
<b>Service</b>			
<b>Public Assist</b>	2	0	2
<b>Controlled Burn</b>	17	17	34
<b>Service Call – Other</b>	5	2	2
<b>Alarms</b>			
<b>Alarm/Sprinkler – Malfunction</b>	1	1	2
<b>Alarm/Sprinkler – Fire/Smoke</b>	7	7	4
<b>Alarm – Malicious</b>	0	0	0
<b>Miscellaneous</b>			
<b>Smoke Scare</b>	0	1	0
<b>Arching/Shorts</b>	1	2	1
<b>Spills/Leaks</b>	1	4	1
<b>Carbon Monoxide</b>	0	0	1
<b>Power Line</b>	4	5	6
<b>Misc. – Other</b>	1	1	3
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>128</b>

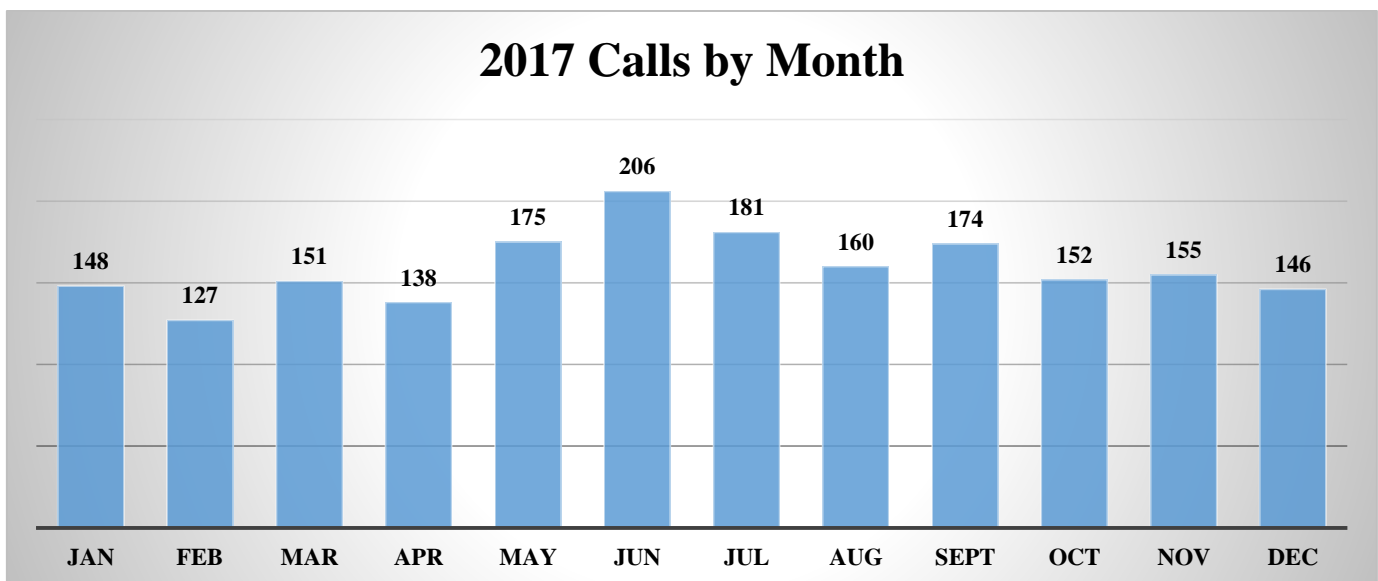
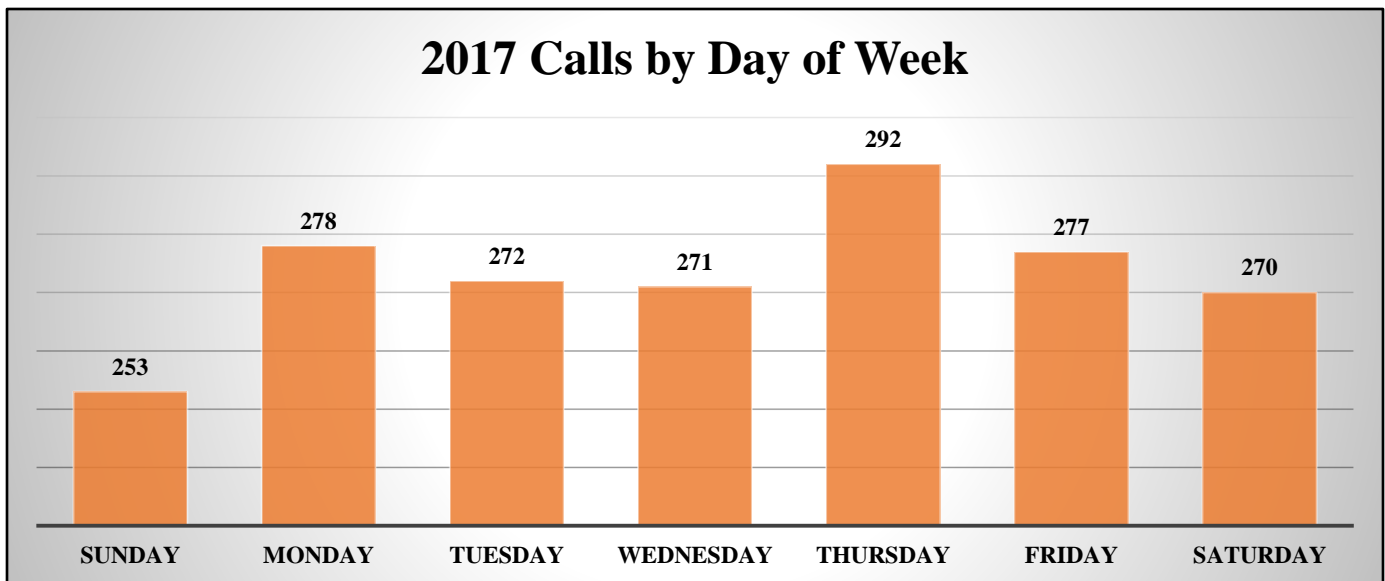
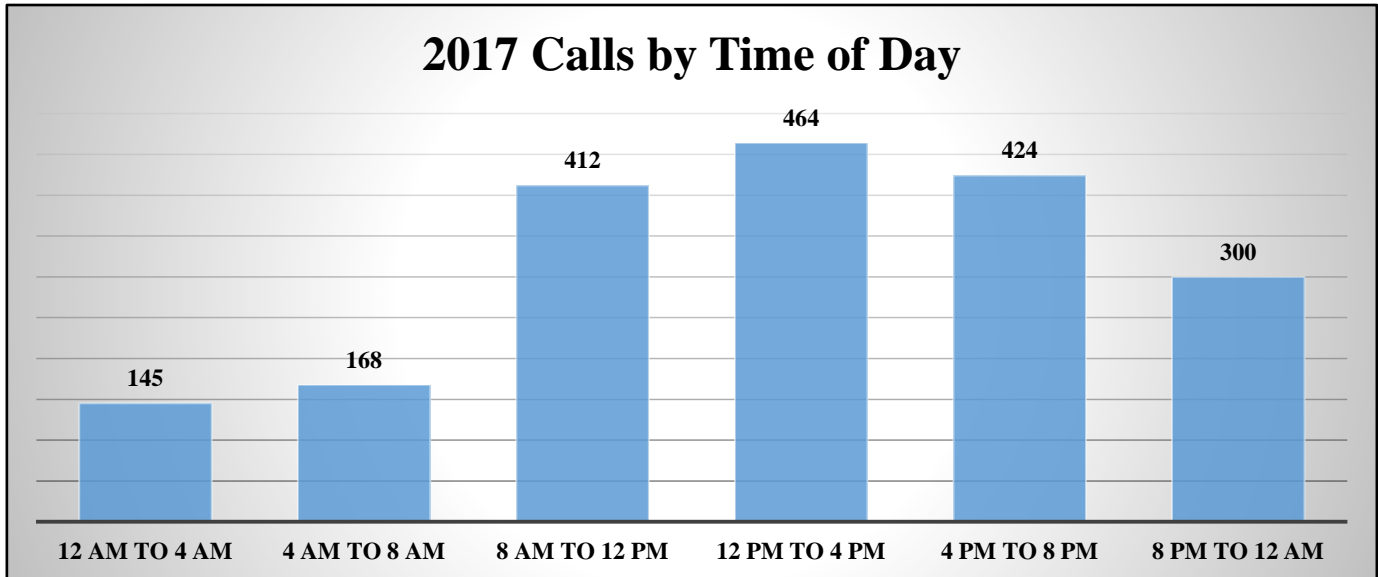
## MAY TOWNSHIP



May Township	2017	2016	2015
<b>Fire</b>			
Fire – Structure	2	2	2
Fire – Vehicle	0	0	1
Fire – Grass/Brush Outside	1	1	1
Fire – Other	1	2	1
<b>Rescue/EMS</b>			
EMS	45	45	34
MVA/Extrication	2	8	6
Rescue/Technical	2	0	0
<b>Service</b>			
Public Assist	1	1	0
Controlled Burn	3	3	5
Service Call – Other	4	1	0
<b>Alarms</b>			
Alarm/Sprinkler – Malfunction	2	4	0
Alarm/Sprinkler – Fire/Smoke	4	8	7
Alarm – Malicious	0	0	0
<b>Miscellaneous</b>			
Smoke Scare	3	2	0
Arching/Shorts	2	0	1
Spills/Leaks	2	1	3
Carbon Monoxide	0	0	1
Power Line	3	5	0
Misc. – Other	1	0	3
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>65</b>



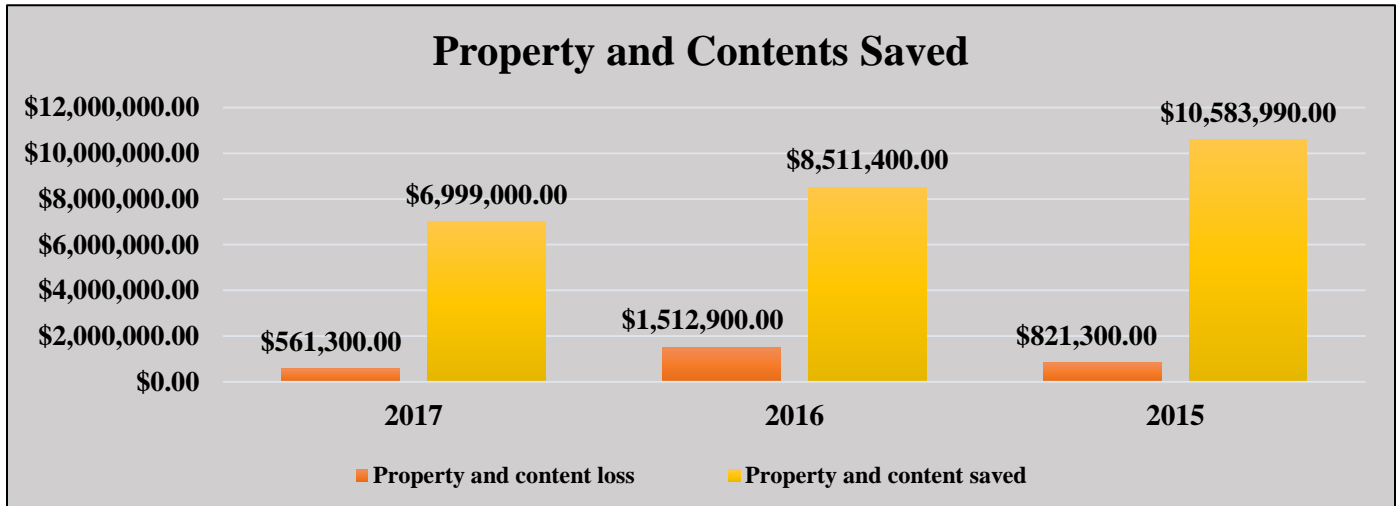
# ALARM ANALYSIS



## FIRE PREVENTION & LIFE SAFETY EDUCATION ACTIVITIES

The Stillwater Fire Department protects a wide variety of properties which have substantial dollar value and buildings which have great historical significance to our City and the State of Minnesota. The personnel of the SFD are proud of our heritage and are extremely honored to be chosen to protect and provide service to the City of Stillwater, (the Birthplace of Minnesota), Stillwater Township, City of Grant and May Township.

The chart below indicates the total property and contents saved by the Stillwater Fire Department over the past three years. As the data indicates the Department provides a tremendous economic value based on cost versus benefit to the City and communities it protects. SFD saved an estimated seven million dollars in property value in 2017.



*Cost estimates are derived from property value records from the Washington County Property Records and Taxpayer Services.*

SFD spends hundreds of hours and takes part in a multitude of events to make up the Department's Fire Prevention and Life Safety Education program. Being proactive in preventing fires and educating the public on personal injury safety is the most progressive and cost effective activity the Fire Department can provide.

### Fire Prevention/Education Statistics 2017

Activity/Event	Contacts	Staff Hours
Awareness/Tours	2,898	209
Truck Visits	798	36
Extinguisher Training	246	26
School Visits	1,238	82
Employee Recognition Breakfast	46	24
Open House	1,100	176
Stillwater Township Picnic	400	12
Night to Unite	1,300	80
Car Seat Inspections	34	42
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,060</b>	<b>687</b>

## CODE ENFORCEMENT

SFD conducts inspections and plan reviews annually. Inspections consist of new construction, commercial business, multi-family residential, daycare/foster care providers, short term home rentals and vacation rentals by owners. Proactive Code Enforcement supports the mission of the SFD to protect life and property through fire prevention. This is accomplished through general fire inspections of occupancies, fire alarm system testing, tank removal and installation, and inspections for business certificate of occupancy.

## ***STAFF TRAINING***

In 2017 staff devoted over 4,233 hours enhancing their life saving skills. Training for a multitude of different calls such as structure fires, vehicle extrications, cardiac arrests, high angle rescues, boat accidents and hazardous materials release keep all personnel busy throughout the year.

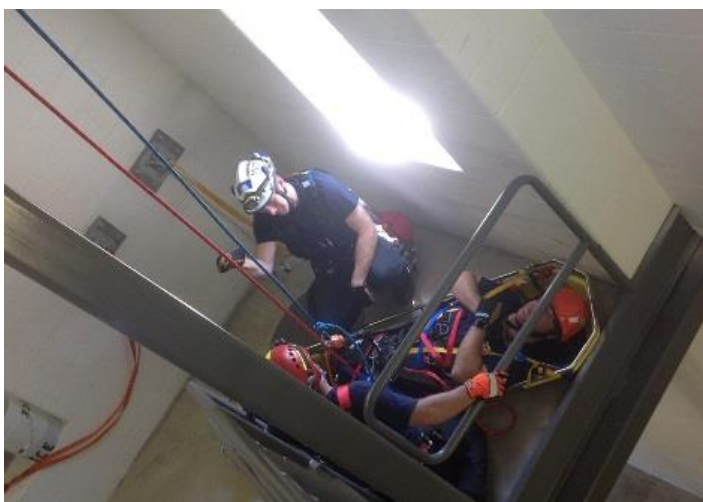
Personnel train several times a month and attend additional training courses and professional development programs. Minnesota requires fulltime firefighters to be licensed by the state. Both fulltime and paid-on-call staff maintain certification in Emergency Medical Services and the 11 core firefighter competencies listed below through annual on-going education hours.

Firefighter I	Technical Rescue
Firefighter II	Vehicle Extrication
Advanced EMS Certification	Confined Space
Hazardous Materials Operation Level	Water Rescue – ice, dive and surface
Terrorism Awareness Training	Collapse Rescue
Fire Apparatus Operator	High Angle Rope Rescue

Stillwater Fire Department hosted a Fire Apparatus Operator (FAO) class through Century College. SFD had four students attend who are working to advance to the rank of Engineer in the Department. Students learned safe operation, preventative maintenance, water supply, apparatus positioning and driving skills. FAO students included Sal DiStefano, Ben Wojcik, Seth McCauley and Todd Kockelman.

SFD also hosted a High Angle Rope Rescue Technician Class. Seven SFD personnel attended this 40 hour class in an effort to increase their knowledge and skills in technical rope rescue. This technical training is vital and is important to provide outstanding service to our community. Rope Rescue Technician students are Steve Hammond, Ben Wojcik, Brad Junker, Mike Aspengren, Chad Jansen, Rob Peltier and Joe Marchetti.

SFD had personnel attend Officer training courses. Katie Pederson and Jim Roush attended the National Fire Academy (NFA) officer series early in 2017.



*Firefighters participate in patient packaging during high angle rope technician training.*



*Engineers participate in high volume water pumping exercise at the St. Croix River.*



## ***PERSONNEL UPDATES***

### ***New Employee***



*Peter King*

Stillwater Fire welcomed Peter King to the Paid-on-Call Firefighter position in 2017. The Department is excited to have Peter on board and looks forward to his contributions for many years to come.

### ***Promotion***



*John Nobles*

Congratulations to John Nobles who was promoted to the rank of Paid-on-Call Assistant Chief. John brings over 22 years of experience to the position. John has held line officer positions at the rank of both Lieutenant and Captain with SFD.

### ***Years of Service***

In 2017 SFD was proud and honored to award years of service pins and recognition to the following individuals for their dedication and commitment to the Department.



*Brad Junker – 10 years of Service*



*Derek Nelson – 5 years of Service*

## *Certificate of Excellence*

All paid-on-call personnel are required to meet minimum quarterly response requirements. Firefighter Todd Kockelman responded to **136 of 176** of “all-calls” for service and went above and beyond and averaged **over 77%** call response for the year. Todd was awarded a Certificate of Excellence for the Highest Run Percentage made in 2017. Congratulations and thank you Todd for your dedication to the Stillwater Fire Department and the citizens we serve.



*Todd Kockelman*



*Matt Richardson, Ian Perkins, Dan March, Aaron Johnson*

Congratulations to Firefighters Matt Richardson, Ian Perkins, Dan March, and Aaron Johnson who were presented with their SFD badges on October 2, 2017, at the Stillwater City Council meeting. They recently completed all required training during their one year probation period to become official members of the Department.



*Chief Glaser administers the Firefighter's Oath of Office at the Swearing in Ceremony at the City Council Meeting*

## 2017 IMPROVEMENTS

Stillwater Fire purchased a 2017 Metro Star Spartan Chassis with a Custom Fire stainless steel body in October. 6107 is an Engine Company with equipment to respond to both fire and rescue emergencies. On the fire side it is equipped with a 500 gallon water tank, 30 gallons of Class A foam, hoses, ladders and can pump 1,250 gallons of water per minute. The Rescue component includes EMS/first aid equipment, AED, Holmatro vehicle extrication tools, rappelling and ice/water rescue gear.



Body Armor - The potential for active shooter / violence incidents and the possibility of being part of a rescue team entering this situation with police officers indicated the need for this type of protection. SFD purchased 12 Grab/Go Armored Vests for the protection of staff members. SFD personnel are trained in Collaborative Incident Response to Active Shooter (CIRAS) and 3 ECHO Hostile Event Response Tactics. These trainings teach responders how to work together in an active shooter situation.



Rescue Helmets – Light Force Plus Rescue Helmets – During technical rescue operations such as high angle or confined space requires specialty equipment. Using helmets specifically designed for these applications reduce the risk of head and/or eye injury to the responder.

## GRANT FUNDING / REIMBURSEMENTS

GRANT	AMOUNT
Staffing for Adequate Fire & Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant	\$35,100
Minnesota Board of Firefighter Training and Education – High Angle Rope Tech Training	\$17,000
Minnesota Child Passenger Safety Program	\$ 1,000
REIMBURSEMENT	AMOUNT
Washington County Emergency Management and Homeland Security Funding	
Grab/Go Armor Vests	\$ 3,000
Hydrogen Cyanide Detectors	\$ 500
CIRAS Training (Active Shooter)	\$ 200
Emergency Management Training	\$ 500



## ***PUBLIC PROTECTION CLASSIFICATION***

In 2017, the Stillwater Fire Department took part in a Public Protection Classification (PPC) survey. The Insurance Service Office (ISO) completed its analysis of the structural fire suppression delivery system provided in our community. The data is analyzed using the Fire Suppression Rating Schedule (FSRS) and then a PPC grade is assigned to the community. A 10 point scale is used to rate the level of service provided with one being the highest or best level of service available. In developing a community's PPC grade, only features related to reducing property losses from structural fires are evaluated.

Stillwater Fire Department's final ISO Community Classification Rating as of June 1, 2017, for properties within five road miles of the fire station is a class four. Properties farther than five road miles from the fire station received a class 10 rating.

SFD mailed letters in May which notified property owners that the Department recently completed an ISO evaluation. In the letter homeowners were made aware of our final ISO Community Classification for their home and were advised the revision may possibly offer a decreased property insurance premium and suggested home owners contact their insurance carrier with any questions about the updated classification with the new rating. Below, several property owners provide feedback regarding their experience.

- *"After three follow-up calls to the insurance company, our savings is \$770.84 per year."*
- *"Based on my submission of your letter, my insurance company has reduced my annual premium by \$77.00."  
"Not a lot, but very welcomed."*
- *"Thanks for the letter! My annual premium was reduced by \$120.00."*
- *"We are going to save \$497.00 per year."*
- *"Getting a refund in the amount of \$46.00. We will accept it gladly. Thanks for sending the notice to inform us. Every little bit helps."*
- *"We are saving \$224.00 a year."*
- *"We did not get a deduction, but thank you for the great job you do."*
- *"We are receiving a \$200.00 refund and are very thankful that you sent the letter out."*
- *"We are saving \$243.00 this year."*



*Vehicle in a water retention pond near highway 36. SFD, Bayport Fire and Oak Park Heights PD responded.*



*Grass fire north of McKusick Lake in late November burned more than 40 acres.*

## STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE: CUSTOMER SERVICE SURVEYS

In 2017 SFD developed a customer service survey to measure and evaluate the quality of our service. The chart below indicates a very high level of customer satisfaction for individuals utilizing Department services.



*“Please extend my sincere thank you to both SFD and ambulance personnel who took care of me. Thank you – Happy New Year. SFD Personnel drove the ambulance.”*

*“The firefighters were very calming and reassuring. I appreciated that.”*

*“Excellent service – prompt, kind and efficient. Most importantly, made our family feel safe during a scary moment. Thank you.”*

*“Thanks for helping; scary time for us. Mike’s fine, he had influenza.”*

*“We greatly appreciate the prompt and kind care you provided when you responded to our need to pick my husband up when he falls. Thanks so much.”*

*“You are wonderful, thank you for being there for our family.”*

*“Your men gave me pertinent advice regarding problems I had with a malfunctioning smoke and CO alarm.”*

*“SFD is the BEST! Thank you for your services.”*

*“Very pleased with the professionalism of the SFD team for our garage fire in July. Also the speed of the response is amazing. Our community is lucky to have this great team! Thank you!”*

*“An off duty fireman came. He heard it on the scanner. He really helped a lot.”*

*“All were very courteous and helpful!”*

*I was helping a friend when I cut my finger on a table saw. I want to say a heartfelt Thank You for your quick response, care and professionalism. As a person involved and strong supporter of the Long Lake / Orono Volunteer Fire Department for many years, I must say you are all truly a credit to the Firefighter profession. “I salute you. Thanks to all of you!” “I respect your P.R.I.D.E.”*



# STAYING CONNECTED

## FACEBOOK

SFD’s Facebook Page is a positive outreach to the community we serve. SFD has approximately 2,179 followers and a monthly average of 41,199 people viewing Department information. During 2017, SFD had an estimate of 494,388 people viewing our page. Through Facebook we are able to alert residents of upcoming events, employment opportunities, hazardous weather conditions and much more.

If you have not already “liked Stillwater MN Fire Department” on Facebook, take a moment to visit us at the following web address:

<https://www.facebook.com/StillwaterMnFireDepartment>



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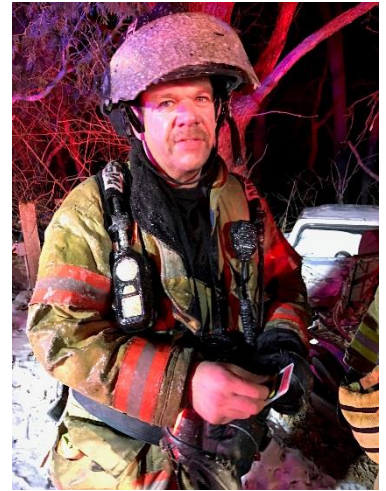
## *HONORING THE FALLEN*



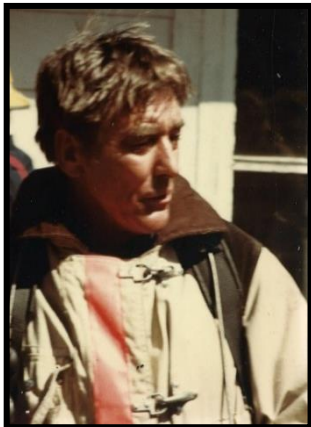
The Stillwater Fire Department mourned the loss of Mike Peltier, a 27 year active member of the Department. Mike died on October 10, 2017.

Mike was an energetic Paid-on-Call Firefighter for the Department. He had been a firefighter for more than half his life. As a firefighter, Mike loved interacting with the community and helping people. He enjoyed open houses and working with kids. Mike was a hard worker and dependable.

Mike's singing, whistling and positive attitude around the Department will be greatly missed by everyone.



Retired Firefighter/Engineer Ken Olson passed away suddenly on November 11, 2017. He retired from SFD in 2014 and served the City of Stillwater Fire Department for 11 years. Ken had a passion for fishing and was very involved in the development of the fireboat for SFD.



Retired Paid-on-Call Assistant Chief John Zoller passed away on November 21, 2017. John served the City of Stillwater Fire Department for 25 years and retired in 1986. John was also the Career Fire Chief of the Federal Cartridge Fire Department located at the Minnesota Army Ammunition Plant. John was an extremely hard worker and never hesitated to get his hands dirty and get the work done. John believed in drilling and doing hands on evolutions to teach and perfect Department operations.



Retired Paid-on-Call Firefighter David Linner passed away on September 5, 2017. Dave served the City of Stillwater Fire Department for 13 years and retired in 1979. He was also a veteran of the Korean War and a talented carpenter and woodworker.



## ***FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS***

### **How do I get a copy of a Fire Report?**

Contact the Stillwater Fire Department (SFD) at 651-351-4963 during the hours of 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM Monday through Friday. Staff will be able to provide procedures to obtain a report.

### **Who do I call to learn CPR?**

You can call SFD at 651-351-4963 and ask for the CPR coordinator, look at the Fire Department website for class schedule or follow us on Facebook to see when new classes will be held.

### **Where and how many smoke alarms should I have in my home?**

Smoke alarms should be installed in every bedroom, outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home, including the basement. Remember to test your smoke alarm at least once each month. Smoke alarms should be replaced every 8-10 years.

### **Do I need a Carbon Monoxide (CO) alarm in my home?**

Yes, MN Statute 299F.50 requires CO alarms in all single family homes and multifamily apartment units. Each home/unit shall have at least one fully operational CO alarm installed within ten (10) feet of each sleeping room. If bedrooms are located on separate floors, additional CO alarms would be necessary. CO alarms should be replaced every 5-7 years.

### **Can I have a camp fire in my yard?**

Recreational fires are allowed within the city limits. A recreational fire is described as a fire not exceeding a size of 3 feet high by 3 feet wide and must be contained within a designated fire ring or pit. Only clean wood is allowed to be burned, e.g., no plastic, or treated lumber, or construction debris, etc. If the fire is bothersome to neighbors or complaints are received you will be required to put the fire out. No permit is required for a recreational fire.

Open burning of piled materials or a running fire, e.g., prairie burn, etc. requires a burn permit and a burn plan approved by the local fire department and the Minnesota DNR. Residents can contact the Fire Department 651- 351-4963 Monday through Friday 9:00AM – 3:00 PM for more detailed information if you would like to conduct this type of burn.

Please keep in mind that YOU are responsible for the fire and if it causes damage or a fire department response you could be held liable for the damages and costs associated with extinguishment.

### **How much does Firefighter Gear weigh?**

The average firefighting gear (pants, hood, helmet, boots, gloves and air pack (SCBA)) adds an additional 45 pounds. Depending on their assignment, a firefighter can weigh an additional 75 pounds once they grab their radio, box light, hose line and ax.

### **Is my child's safety seat installed correctly?**

Contact the Stillwater Fire Department (SFD) at 651-351-4963 during the hours of 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM, Monday through Friday and ask for the certified car seat technician and you will be able to set up an appointment. Please anticipate approximately one hour for the install.

### **Does the fire department do blood pressure checks?**

Yes, stop by the Fire Department during the hours of 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM, Monday through Friday.

## **APPARATUS INVENTORY**

The Stillwater Fire Department (SFD) maintains an inventory of 12 high quality fire apparatus ready to respond to an emergency on a moment's notice. All the apparatus is maintained and checked daily by the on-duty crew. Any major repairs or required maintenance is coordinated through the maintenance captain who schedules, documents and ensures the equipment is in sound working condition.

**6105 Heavy Rescue Truck**

*1989 Ford L8000 Chassis Heavy Rescue Vehicle.* 6105 carries a compliment of rescue tools for extrication, high angle, ice/water rescue, cribbing stabilization, EMS/first aid equipment and is a support vehicle used for dive/water rescue and air cascade system for on scene breathing apparatus filling, as well as a rehabilitation station for firefighters at emergency incidents.

**6106 Water Tender**

*2015 Kenworth Chassis with a Custom Fire stainless steel body.* 6106 carries 2,000 gallons of water 30 gallons of foam for rural firefighting applications and water shuttling operations. 6106 is capable of pumping 1,000 gallons of water per minute.

**6107 Engine Company**

*2017 Spartan Chassis with a Custom Fire stainless steel body.* 6107 is an Engine Company with equipment to respond to both fire and rescue emergencies. On the fire side it is equipped with a 500 gallon water tank, 30 gallons of Class A foam, hoses, ladders and can pump 1250 gallons of water per minute. The Rescue component includes EMS/first aid equipment, AED, Holmatro vehicle extrication tools, rappelling and ice/water rescue gear.

**6109 Engine Company**

*2011 Freightliner M2 Rescue/Engine Company.* 6109 is a Rescue/Engine carrying 750 gallons of water, hoses, ladders ventilation equipment, 1,250 gallon per minute rear mounted pump; EMS/first aid equipment and Holmatro extrication equipment. This engine is equipped with Green Star technology that is capable of running all scene lights and components of the truck utilizing a small generator to reduce fuel consumption and emissions.

**6110/ 4x4 Grass Rigs**

**6111** *2006 Ford F350 4x4 Grass Trucks.* 6110/6111 carries 150 gallons of water and have 8 gallon foam tanks, wildland firefighting equipment and a 150 gallon per minute pump with a booster hose and hand lines for wildland/grass firefighting applications.

**6112 105' Heavy Duty Aerial Ladder**

*2002 Pierce Dash Chassis Heavy Duty Aerial Ladder.* 6112 carries a 105' steel ladder with a pre-piped waterway, 500 gallons of water, 1,750 gallon per minute single stage pump, hoses, ground ladders, ventilation equipment and the capability of all wheel steering.

**6114 16' Rescue One Boat**

*2007 Rescue ONE Boat.* 16.5' x 6.5' aluminum rescue boat, 40 H.P. Mercury engine, command console with steering, seat and engine controls, dive platform and light bar mount. This vehicle will be used on lakes and the river for dive operations, fire suppression and rescue.

**6115 Utility Vehicle**

*2015 Ford F250 Crew Cab Pick Up Truck.* 6115 is used for transporting crews and equipment to emergency scenes and emergency medical calls.

**6116 Special Operations Trailer**

*2004 Haulmark Trailer.* 6116 is used for fire prevention and life safety activities as well as support operations during incidents. The trailer contains fire investigation tools and equipment and can be used for many different purposes as necessary.

**6120 American Airboat**

*2008 American Airboat.* Airboat 1 is powered by a 454 H.P. engine that turns a 3-blade lighter weight composite prop that delivers more power at lower rpm and produces less noise. This vessel allows for 3-4 crew and a patient area. Airboat 1 responds to emergencies on land and water where conditions warrant an all-terrain vehicle. Airboat 1 is a cooperative shared resource that is owned by Washington County Sheriff's Office and deployed by both Stillwater Fire and Washington County Sheriff's personnel.

**6122 Boston Whaler Fire Boat**

*1996 Boston Whaler.* Fire Boat 1 has twin Mercury 225 H.P. outboards, a Waterous E511B fire pump, mounted deck gun, and 1 1/2" pre-connected hose line. Fire Boat 1 responds to emergency calls on the St. Croix River and is capable of transporting the Fire Department Dive Team, responding to EMS calls, and fire suppression operations.



*2015 Kenworth Custom Fire Tanker in service today.*

**Historical Fire Apparatus**



*1969 Water Tanker – The last red fire apparatus in SFD's fleet. This vehicle was replaced with the 1989 Ford L8000.*



*1989 Ford L8000 Custom Fire Water Tanker. This vehicle was replaced in 2016 with the 2015 Kenworth Custom Fire Tanker.*



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