



**MINUTES
CITY OF LAUREL
EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMITTEE
MONDAY, AUGUST 26, 2024**

The Emergency Services Committee meeting was called to order at 6:00pm on Monday, August 26, 2024, by Chair- Heidi Sparks

Members Present: Heidi Sparks- Chair, Jodi Mackay- Vice Chair, Irv Wilke

Others Present: Police Chief Stan Langve, Fire Chief JW Hopper, Ambulance Chief Lyndy Gurchiek

Public Input:

General Items:

1. No quorum. Approval of Emergency Services Committee minutes of July 22, 2024.
 - a. This will carry over to the September meeting

2. Update from Emergency Departments
 - a. Police Chief Stan Langve- Report attached
 - i. Year to date crimes reported is steady with the 3-year reporting average of 833. Increase in mental health and disturbance calls, as well as calls to the Yellowstone River.
 - ii. One position is open which will put the department at 15. Hoping to have this filled by the end of the year.
 - iii. Recruiting for the Reserves as well. Currently, have 4 very active reserve officers, with a total of 7 reserve officers total.
 - b. Fire Chief Hopper- Report attached
 - i. 60 calls during this reporting period.
 - ii. DNRC Staffing Hours for a total of 2,158 YTD. With the DNRC Staffing, the firefighters are paid through DNRC for their hours. The City also receives a DNRC truck.
 - iii. Current staffing is at 33, like to keep the department numbers between 30-35 volunteers. Starting to see difficulty in getting volunteers.
 - iv. Just found out we were granted a DNRC grant, which will be used to purchase wildland pants. Will receive the letter with final amount hopefully this week. This will then come to Budget Finance to approve the purchase, then make the purchase. Once the purchase has been complete, will submit the invoice for reimbursement from the DNRC
 - v. Auction money was closer to \$13,000- the school bus went for more than listed in the report
 - c. Ambulance Chief Gurchiek- Report attached

- i. 8 times on a previous call where they could not get a second crew together. This number is higher than what is reported because a second crew was able to be put together for the additional call.
- ii. May and June requested numbers have been corrected and noted in the report.
- iii. Hired a full time EMT from the volunteer pool. Posted internally for the final open full-time position. Hope to be fully staffed and training complete by November, which will allow for 3 staff on shift.
- iv. Chief Gurchiek was selected to serve on the MT DPHHS EMS & Trauma EMS Advisory Committee. This will be a 3 year term starting in September.

New Business:

Old Business:

Other Items:

Announcements:

3. Next Meeting will be Monday, September 23, 2024, at 6:00pm in Council Chambers

Meeting adjourned at 6:30pm

Laurel Emergency Services Report created 8/26/24:

2020	2021	2022	2023
1090 requests for service	1228 requests for service	1238 requests for service	1300 requests for service
159 times LEMS was unavailable	135 times LEMS was unavailable	177 times LEMS was unavailable	171 times LEMS was unavailable
72 times AMR was unavailable	34 times AMR was unavailable	48 times AMR was unavailable	23 times AMR was unavailable
288 responses in Ward 5=2.7% of calls outside of the city of Laurel	318 responses in Ward 5=26% of calls outside of the city of Laurel	351 responses in Ward 5=29% of calls outside of the city of Laurel	351 responses in Ward 5=27% of calls outside of the city of Laurel

Recent Month Summary:

July 2024:

Requests	134
Missed Calls	10 = 7%
Shortest Delay	15 minutes
Longest Delay	53 minutes
Average Delay	28 minutes
Fire Driver Available	2 times
City Driver Available	2 times
QRU Response With 1 Provider	3 times **
On A Previous Call	8 times
No Crew / Provider Available	0 time
AMR Transported or Responded	4 times
Red Lodge Transported	0 times
HELP Flight Transported	0 times
HELP Amb Transported or Responded	1 time
Columbus Transported or Responded	0 times
Joliet Transported	0 times
Park City Transported	0 times
PD Assisted Pt or Transported	1 time
FD Assisted Pt no transport	0 times
POV Transport	2 times
Refusal or no transport	2 time
YCSO Transported	0 times
MHP Transported	0 times

**2 times the QRU responded and the patient refused / no transport to hospital or no patient found.

35 responses in Ward 5 = 27% of calls outside of the city of Laurel

5 LEMS responses for mutual aid



2024 Running Totals

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total 2024
Requests	124	114	95	99	114*	117*	134						698
Missed Calls	9	7	5	9	6	7	10						53
Shortest Delay (minutes)	22	11	17	19	8	18	15						8
Longest Delay (minutes)	45	40	24	51	38	37	53						53
Average Delay (minutes)	32	27	21	30	26	28	28						28
Fire Driver Available	20	15	4	16	17	12	2						89
City Driver Available	3	1	0	3	0	0	2						9
QRU Response w 1 Provider	6*	3	0	4	1	1	3						18
On A Previous Call	1	5	2	3	4	5	8						58
No Crew / Provider Available	2	0	3	2	1	0	0						8
AMR Transported or Responded	6	5	3	4	3	5	4						30
Columbus Transported or Responded	0	0	0	0	0	1	0						1
Joliet Transported	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0
Park City Transported	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0
Red Lodge Transported	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0
HELP Flight Transported	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0
HELP Amb Transported or Responded	0	0	0	1	0	1	1						3
POV Transport	3	2	2	3	1	0	2						13
PD Assisted Pt or transported	0	0	0	0	0	0	1						1
FD Assisted Pt no transport	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0
YCSO Transported	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0
MHP Transported	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0
QRU/AMR, Refusal or No Patient	0	0	0	1	1	0	2						4
Responses in Ward 5	43	20	29	24	37	30	35						218
LEMS response for mutual aid	8	2	6	1	4	3	5						29

*correction made after report given

Other Reporting Information

- Staffing – volunteers – working on training the new volunteers, going well and all are fitting in and performing great. With the mill levy money for full time staffing, we have offered a job to a volunteer EMT that is just finishing Paramedic school, she has accepted and completed her first week of training. We have posted the second open full time EMT position internally and should have that spot offered by 30th. Once that position is filled we will have all of our allotted full time staff. I anticipate having them all trained and working their shifts by November if all goes well.
- We have been very busy with training of the volunteers and full time staff. 1 of our full time paramedics successfully completed the paramedic credentialing portion and is able to work on his own. The newest full time paramedic with extensive experience is done with training and able to work on her own as well.
- Care 1, was out of service due to the hydraulic lift, we finally have confirmation of a mechanic that can evaluate the issues – he is going to be in town Tuesday/Wednesday. We will keep you posted on the progress. Care 2 had a cylinder injector go out, it was out of service for approximately 2 weeks getting fixed. It is back in service again. Care 3 over the last couple weeks has been down for 2 issues, break/rotor repair and battery failure, quick turn around on both issues.
- Our old QRU – 1998 expedition, only used as back up for our main QRU or short drives in town, is going up for auction. Matt's city truck, 2015 F150, he is replacing and has been given to us to replace the old QRU and used as a medical command vehicle. It is being striped and set up as an emergency response vehicle, will keep you posted as it is completed.
- I have been selected to sit on the MT DPHHS EMS & Trauma EMS Advisory Committee. I am the Service Manager Government Owned Ground Ambulance Representative. The purpose of the EMS Advisory Committee (EMSAC) is to advise DPHHS on matters including: the equipment and materials required for an emergency medical service, the data to be collected and submitted to the department, patient care standards etc.



LAUREL FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Emergency Services Meeting 7/22/2024 – 8/26/2024

Calls-

- Responded to **60** Total Calls for 7/22/2024 – 8/26/2024.
- Ambulance driver calls- **2**
- Total Hours on Calls-
 - Firefighters – **343** 7/22 – 8/26
 - Officers – **232** 7/22 – 8/26
 - Combined Hours – **575** 7/22 – 8/26
 - Training Hours - **2082** YTD
 - DNRC Staffing Hours – **2158** YTD

Training-

- Fire Reports
- Open water rescue.
- BNSF
- Help Flight

Rookie School Training-

- Engine Operations
 - Driving
 - Pumping

Department News-

- Current Numbers
 - 33 Members
 - 2 firefighters on leave of absence. (one set to come back soon)
 - 1 firefighter will graduate next month.
 - 1 firefighter halfway through rookie school.
 - 2 firefighters just started rookie school.
 - 3 firefighters awaiting approval from CC.
 - 2 firefighters in application process
 - 3 firefighters resigned from the department.
- Misc.-
 - New Truck
 - In the build process.
 - DNRC Staffing
 - Staffing has been busy.
 - Responded to 27 DNRC fires.
 - Maintenance on Apparatus
 - Auction items are listed.
 - Brush 1 - \$5650
 - School Bus - \$1500
 - Duce - \$3125
 - \$10,275
 - New Bullard Wildland Helmets
 - Wildland Pants
 - Am working to purchase from donations from last year.



Laurel Police Department

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Chief of Police Stanley J Langve

Emergency Services Report August 26th, 2024

For the reporting period of July 22nd through this morning, the FAP has had a combined 1093 calls for service. This is up 6.5% for the three-year average of 1,026. Total Calls for Service were 6,156 this morning which is down 7.2% over the three-year average of 6,631. Year to date crimes reported are at the 3-year average (833), while the 142 for the reporting period is an increase of 6.5% over the 113, 3-year average for the same reporting period.

We are coming off a busy summer schedule that has seen a lot of Field Training. Officer Collins was able to get into the Basic Academy that started August 18th. We anticipate his graduation on November 8th. He will then have a few weeks to reacclimate and finish his Field Training. The last remaining candidate we had in the hiring pool was offered and then declined a position, so we have reopened applications and hope to have a candidate by the end of the year. We are also opening applications for desperately needed Reserve Officers.

Respectfully,

Chief Langve



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Total Calls

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[CFS Date/Time] is between '2024-07-22 00:00' and '2024-08-26 13:50' and

[Primary Incident Code->Code : Description] All

Code : Description	Totals	
10-15 : With Prisoner	1	1
: Abandoned Vehicle	48	48
: Agency Assist	70	70
: Alarm - Burglary	11	11
: Alarm - Fire	4	4
AMB : Ambulance	106	106
: Animal Complaint	4	4
: Area Check	3	3
: Assault	8	8
: Bad Checks	0	0
: Barking Dog	4	4
: Bomb Threat	0	0
: Burglary	1	1
: Child Abuse/Neglect	1	1
: Civil Complaint	14	14
: Code Enforcment Violation	13	13
: Community Integrated Health	11	11

Code : Description	Totals	
: Counterfeiting	1	1
: Criminal Mischief	9	9
: Criminal Trespass	5	5
: Cruelty to Animals	8	8
: Curfew Violation	20	20
: Discharge Firearm	4	4
: Disorderly Conduct	6	6
: Dog at Large	18	18
: Dog Bite	3	3
DUI : DUI Driver	10	10
: Duplicate Call	5	5
: Escape	0	0
: Family Disturbance	24	24
: Fight	5	5
FIRE : Fire or Smoke	31	31
: Fireworks	0	0
: Forgery	0	0
: Found Property	8	8
: Fraud	3	3
: Harassment	7	7
: Hit & Run	3	3

Code : Description	Totals	
: Identity Theft	2	2
: Indecent Exposure	1	1
: Insecure Premises	2	2
: Intoxicated Pedestrian	2	2
: Kidnapping	0	0
: Littering	0	0
: Loitering	0	0
: Lost or Stray Animal	9	9
: Lost Property	4	4
: Mental Health	9	9
: Missing Person	6	6
: Noise Complaint	5	5
: Open Container	0	0
: Order of Protection Violation	2	2
: Parking Complaint	13	13
: Possession of Alcohol	0	0
: Possession of Drugs	2	2
: Possession of Tobacco	0	0
: Privacy in Communications	1	1
: Prowler	0	0
: Public Assist	69	69

Code : Description	Totals	
: Public Safety Complaint	15	15
: Public Works Call	9	9
: Report Not Needed	7	7
: Robbery	0	0
: Runaway Juvenile	4	4
: Sexual Assault	2	2
: Suicide	0	0
: Suicide - Attempt	2	2
: Suicide - Threat	6	6
: Suspicious Activity	83	83
: Suspicious Person	21	21
: Theft	31	31
: Threats	11	11
: Tow Call	0	0
: Traffic Accident	20	20
: Traffic Hazard	8	8
: Traffic Incident	29	29
: TRO Violation	1	1
: Truancy	0	0
T/S : Traffic Stop	204	204
: Unattended Death	1	1

Code : Description	Totals	
: Unknown - Converted	0	0
: Unlawful Transactions w/Minors	0	0
: Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle	5	5
: Vicious Dog	3	3
: Warrant	14	14
: Welfare Check	21	21
Totals	1093	1093