



**MINUTES
CITY OF LAUREL
EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMITTEE
MONDAY, MAY 19, 2025**

The Emergency Services Committee meeting was called to order at 6:00pm on Monday, May 19, 2025 by Vice Chair- Jodi Mackay

Members Present: Jodi Mackay- Vice Chair, Irv Wilke, Richard Klose, Bruce McGee, Jamie Swecker, Jim Irwin

Others Present: Ambulance Chief Lyndy Gurchiek, Fire Chief JW Hopper, Police Captain Anglin

Public Input:

General Items:

- Approval of Emergency Services Committee minutes of April 28, 2025. Irv moved to approve the minutes; Richard seconded- Motion carried 7-0.
- Update from Emergency Departments
 - ▯ . Ambulance Chief Gurchiek- Report attached
 - Staff continue to complete certifications. Recent fundraiser at Carlton Depot for EMS education.
 - Ambulance maintenance issues continue to plague department. Since December, \$15000 has been spent on repairs. Lyndy has turned in new budget without officially requesting a new ambulance, but would like to see if there's a way to get one purchased in the coming year. They broke down at the hospital twice in the last month and had to be towed back.
 - 5/19-5/25 EMS week – give them a shout out if you see staff
 - LEMS competed in a fundraising soccer event with the junior high girls. No report on a score.
 - Lyndy and JW attended a joint training with BNSF on 5/16. There are some concerns about BNSF's ability to manage an incident.
 - ▯ . Fire Chief JW Hopper- Report attached
 - Edit to training hours on report – 182 training hours since last meeting (not ytd)
 - Dept completed multiple trainings.
 - 7 firefighters in rookie school – several close to graduation. Will be changing to January and June hiring months to keep rookie school a smoother process.
 - JW attended a training in Gallatin County discussing urban interface. This will aid in case something breaks loose in Clapper Flats.

- Montana Firefighter Memorial Run on Friday 6/13. Ceremony on Saturday 6/14 at noon. Assistance is needed with serving lunch.
- Continuing to combine fire districts. District 5 is hesitant and wants to see financial impact.
- Also met with Molt to take on canyon and Homewood Park area for car and structure fires. Molt is hesitant to let go due to long tradition. LVFD will answer calls if available, but currently not a mutual aid situation.

c. Police Captain Anglin- Report Attached

- Officers have been busy with 203 crimes reported for the period. Also made 208 traffic stops.
- There's currently a string of thefts occurring in town. Vehicles are being gone through with misc. items, cash and 3 firearms have been stolen. Police have a good idea who it is, but needs to continue to gather evidence.
- A newer officers was recently released from the Department. However, a new officer will be presented to council on 5/27. However, with Chief Langve retiring, it will create a vacancy in that position. All officer positions will be filled when new officer sworn in.
- Retirement party for Chief Langve on Thursday, 5/22/25 at 530 pm in the ambulance bay at the FAP complex.

New Business:

- Discussion on Committee Guidelines creation
The committee discussed what the function and make up the committee is and should be.
These are the ideas the committee discussed:
- Prefer to keep membership at 7 - odd number creates less potential for tie votes. No more than 4 of the members should be council members.
- Every 2 years, Council Members will be reappointed to their committees. Elections within the committee will be held for a Chair and Vice Chair.
- Committee should consider recommendations from Emergency Services Chiefs and / or other members. If a committee member feels the item should be further discussed by the full council or presented to the mayor, a motion will be made, require a second and be voted on. If passed with a majority vote, Chair or Acting Chair of the committee will submit an email to the Mayor requesting the item be placed on the agenda. It is understood that this motion is not a directive to city staff, but a request that a topic / project be presented to the council and / or mayor for further consideration and discussion.
- Members of the committee should NOT be required to be City of Laurel residents. Committee feels it's important to have members with vested interest in safety in Laurel and surrounding communities regardless of residency or business interest.

Old Business:

Other Items:

Announcements:

- Next Meeting will be Monday, June 23, 2025, at 6:30pm in Council Chambers

Meeting adjourned at 7:06 pm



LAUREL POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Chief of Police Stanley J Langve

Emergency Services Report May 19, 2025

For the reporting period of March 24th through May 19th, 2025 the FAP had 1,525 calls for service, year to date the FAP has 3,566 calls for service, 203 crimes reported, 93 charges have been filed, and 14 arrests have been made along with 13 warrant requests submitted. Officers have been busy with traffic enforcement making 208 traffic stops.

Starting on May 16th to today, there have been 31 vehicle break in reports, miscellaneous items, cash and 3 firearms were stolen, multiple vehicles had nothing missing. Officers are working diligently to solve the cases; citizens have been asked to check their surveillance footage to help and identify the suspects. *Word of mouth - powerful too!*

All LPD officers recently re certified in defensive tactics, taught by Officer Seibert.

Sergeant Swan is in Helena at the Montana Law Enforcement Academy completing her final week at the Montana Educational Leadership Institute. She then has the opportunity to travel to Kissimmee FL for Steer Court to attend the ALLRISE conference, dealing with addiction, mental health and justice reform. Steer Court stands for Sobriety, Treatment, Education, Excellence, and Rehabilitation Court.

K9 Sergeant Booth will be participating in the annual statewide K9 certifications in the beginning of June held in Billings and Laurel.

Our new Officer candidate, Kristofer Schaff will be getting sworn in on May 27th, his first day will be June 2nd, he will start with an admin week and straight into FTO. A date at the police academy will be determined.

And of course Chief Langve is retiring after 25 years, with his last day being May 22nd, we will be having a retirement party for him at 1730 hours, in the Laurel Ambulance bay.

Respectfully,

Captain Anglin



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Total Calls

Printed on May 19, 2025

[CFS Date/Time] is between '2025-03-24 11:54' and '2025-05-19 13:15' and

[Primary Incident Code->Code : Description] All

Code : Description

Totals

10-15 : With Prisoner	0	0
: Abandoned Vehicle	70	70
: Agency Assist	100	100
: Alarm - Burglary	23	23
: Alarm - Fire	8	8
AMB : Ambulance	175	175
: Animal Complaint	10	10
: Area Check	1	1
: Assault	7	7
: Bad Checks	0	0
: Barking Dog	8	8
: Bomb Threat	0	0
: Burglary	1	1
: Child Abuse/Neglect	7	7
: Civil Complaint	20	20
: Code Enforcment Violation	18	18
: Community Integrated Health	7	7

Code : Description	Totals	
: Counterfeiting	0	0
: Criminal Mischief	14	14
: Criminal Trespass	28	28
: Cruelty to Animals	2	2
: Curfew Violation	16	16
: Discharge Firearm	1	1
: Disorderly Conduct	18	18
: Dog at Large	42	42
: Dog Bite	5	5
DUI : DUI Driver	12	12
: Duplicate Call	9	9
: Escape	0	0
: Family Disturbance	28	28
: Fight	4	4
FIRE : Fire or Smoke	27	27
: Fireworks	1	1
: Forgery	0	0
: Found Property	10	10
: Fraud	8	8
: Harassment	3	3
: Hit & Run	7	7

Code : Description	Totals	
: ICAC	1	1
: Identity Theft	3	3
: Indecent Exposure	2	2
: Insecure Premises	8	8
: Intoxicated Pedestrian	2	2
: Kidnapping	0	0
: Littering	2	2
: Loitering	3	3
: Lost or Stray Animal	24	24
: Lost Property	4	4
: Mental Health	8	8
: Missing Person	10	10
: Noise Complaint	5	5
: Open Container	0	0
: Order of Protection Violation	1	1
: Parking Complaint	32	32
: Possession of Alcohol	0	0
: Possession of Drugs	3	3
: Possession of Tobacco	1	1
: Privacy in Communications	2	2
: Prowler	0	0

Code : Description	Totals	
: Public Assist	85	85
: Public Safety Complaint	24	24
: Public Works Call	14	14
: Report Not Needed	11	11
: Robbery	0	0
: Runaway Juvenile	8	8
: Sexual Assault	3	3
: Suicide	0	0
: Suicide - Attempt	1	1
: Suicide - Threat	5	5
: Suspicious Activity	94	94
: Suspicious Person	13	13
: Theft	61	61
: Threats	15	15
: Tow Call	7	7
: Traffic Accident	41	41
: Traffic Hazard	21	21
: Traffic Incident	50	50
: TRO Violation	1	1
: Truancy	2	2
T/S : Traffic Stop	208	208

Code : Description		Totals	
:	Unattended Death	0	0
:	Unknown - Converted	0	0
:	Unlawful Transactions w/Minors	0	0
:	Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle	1	1
:	Vicious Dog	7	7
:	Warrant	19	19
:	Welfare Check	33	33
Totals		1525	1525



LAUREL FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Emergency Services Meeting 4/28/2025– 5/19/2025

Calls-

- Responded to 30 **Total** Calls for 4/28/2025– 5/19/2025. - *We're early this month*
- Total Hours on Calls-
 - Firefighters – 291
 - Officers – **208**
 - Combined Hours – 499
 - Training Hours - 182 **HRS YTD** *Since last meeting*

Training-

- Joint Training with PD/EMS/Fire
 - K9 CPR
- Wildland Investigation W/Park City Fire and BLM.
- Doll House Burn (house fire simulation)
- DNRC Training finished 5/17/2025.
- Wildland Pack Test
- Cody Fire School

Rookie School Training-

- Wildland Tactics
- Testing
- Tender Operations

Department News-

- Current Numbers
 - 31 Members
 - One member resigned for personal and work reasons.
 - 7 firefighters currently in various stages of rookie school.
- Misc.-
 - Gallatin County Emergency Management Exercise
 - Montana State Fire Fighter Memorial
 - 6/13 Run
 - Food Trucks 5PM – 10PM
 - Hot Pants Dash 5PM
 - 5k Run 6PM
 - Fire Hose Pull @ 7PM
 - Live Music 7:30 to 10PM
 - 6/14 Memorial
 - Memorial Service @ Noon.
 - Working to fill fire districts.
 - Shaping up to be busy wildland season.

Laurel Emergency Services Report created 5/19/25:

2021

1228 requests for service
135 times LEMS was unavailable
34 times AMR was unavailable
318 responses in Ward 5=26% of calls outside of the city of Laurel

2022

1238 requests for service
177 times LEMS was unavailable
48 times AMR was unavailable
351 responses in Ward 5=29% of calls outside of the city of Laurel

2023

1300 requests for service
171 times LEMS was unavailable
23 times AMR was unavailable
351 responses in Ward 5=27% of calls outside of the city of Laurel

2024

1363 requests for service
73 times LEMS was unavailable
14 times AMR was unavailable
373 responses in Ward 5=27% of calls outside of the city of Laurel

Recent Month Summary:

April 2025:

Requests	124
Missed Calls	4 = 3%
Shortest Delay	26 minutes
Longest Delay	38 minutes
Average Delay	33 minutes
Fire Driver Available	1 time
City Driver Available	0 times
QRU Response With 1 Provider	0 times **
On A Previous Call	4 times
2 Units On A Call	7 times
No Crew / Provider Available	0 time
AMR Transported or Responded	3 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 time
Park City Transported	0 times
PD Assisted Pt or Transported	0 time
FD Assisted Pt no transport	0 times
POV Transport	0 times
Refusal or no transport	0 time
YCSO Transported	0 times
MHP Transported	0 times



**0 times the QRU responded to begin patient care – Care 2 returning from Billings for previous call. 0 times the QRU responded and the patient refused / no transport to hospital or no patient found.

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

0 LEMS response for mutual aid. None of these responses resulted in LEMS not being available for another call.

2025 Running Totals

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total 2024
Requests	124	123	99	124									470
Missed Calls	1	7	5	4									17
Shortest Delay (minutes)	38	12	18	26									12
Longest Delay (minutes)	38	40	38	38									40
Average Delay (minutes)	38	29	27	33									32
Fire Driver Available	2	6	1	1									10
City Driver Available	1	0	0	0									1
QRU Response w 1 Provider	2	0	1	0									3
On A Previous Call	1	7	5	4									17
2 Units On A Call	8	6	5	7									26
No Crew / Provider Available	0	0	0	0									0
AMR Transported or Responded	0	2	3	3									8
Columbus Transported or Responded	0	1	0	0									1
Joliet Transported	1	1	0	0									2
Park City Transported	0	0	0	0									0
Red Lodge Transported	0	0	0	0									0
HELP Flight Transported	0	0	0	0									0
HELP Amb Transported or Responded	0	1	1	1									3
POV Transport	0	0	0	0									0
PD Assisted Pt or transported	0	1	0	0									1
FD Assisted Pt no transport	0	0	0	0									0
YCISO Transported	0	0	0	0									0
MHP Transported	0	0	0	0									0
QRU/AMR, Refusal or No Patient	0	1	1	0									2
Responses in Ward 5	28	36	29	33									126
LEMS response for mutual aid	1	3	1	0									5

*correction made after report given

Other Reporting Information

- staffing – Wendy has completed her paramedic course and is officially licensed as a paramedic. Mandi has completed the didactic portion of paramedic school and is currently in the ambulance clinical portion with an anticipated completion in September
- we continue to have had several ambulance maintenance issues, working on keeping things rotated to try and ensure we have 2 trucks to respond at a time.
- Tony attended the high school career fair on April 16th
- EMS week is May 19-25, please give the crews a shout out if you see them. ●
- Carlton Depot and Mr and Mrs Gotchall sponsored a fund raiser on 5/18 for EMS education
- LEMS crew participated in a soccer game against the girls Jr High soccer team to help raise funds. They donated to the LPD vest as well as the EMS education fund
- Chief Hopper and I attended a BNSF Railway emergency response plan table top simulation on May 16th to review what our response will be in case of any incidents involving the railway
- completed our budget, no significant asks other than discussing if there is any way possible to start looking at replacing one of our old ambulances