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# "Preparing for the Future, while preserving the past."

TO: West Manchester Township Board of Supervisors Kelly Kelch, Township Manager

FROM: Clifton Laughman, Fire Chief DATE: April 17, 2025 SUBJECT: March 2025 Monthly Report

The month of March is always an exciting time for the WMTFD. March is when we hold our annual Appreciation Banquet to recognize all of our members for the outstanding work they do for the department and the Township. I am extremely proud of all the work they do and couldn't ask for a better team.

This year we recognized the following members for their extraordinary efforts throughout 2024:

President's Award:	Laura Metzger & Suzy Markle	
Chief's Award:	Anthony Pandoli	
Rookie of the Year:	Nicholas Basile	
Junior Firefighter of the Year:	Michael Stein	
Officer of the Year:	Nicholas Mann	
Volunteer of the Year:	Derek Dunn	
Firefighter of the Year:	Roxie Tate	

Below is the March 2025 report for the April 2025 meeting of the West Manchester Township Board of Supervisors.



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## TOWNSHIP EMERGENCY RESPONSES

Type of Response	Total	Percentage	YTD	2024
Fire	17	17.71%	45	37
Over Pressure, Rupture, Explosion	0	0.00%	1	0
Rescue & Emergency Medical	25	26.04%	79	93
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	7	7.29%	28	39
Service Call	17	17.71%	41	40
Good Intent Call	9	9.38%	28	21
False Alarm & False Call	20	20.83%	54	53
Severe Weather	0	0.00%	0	0
Special Incidents	1	1.04%	2	2
Totals	96	100.00%	278	285

- There was a total of 619 personnel that responded to the incidents with an average of 7.74 per incident. (Average does not include Duty Officer & Fire Police Only Calls).
- Year to date, a total of 1,810 personnel responded to the incidents.
- We are at a 2.46% decrease in call volume from this time last year.

#### **DEPARTMENT NEWS**

- We have had several meetings with the York Fair regarding the Rock the Country Music Festival that is coming on May 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup>. Planning continues to progress and going well. As of this report the fair has reported that 14,000 tickets were sold for Friday the 30<sup>th</sup> and 17,000 tickets sold for Saturday the 31<sup>st</sup>.
- Last year we received a Fire Prevention & Safety Grant in the amount of \$\$83,428.57 to purchase Smoke/CO Detectors for our residents. This week we had 2,500 detectors delivered to the Township and we will be soon implementing our Smoke/CO Detector program.
- On Tuesday March 18<sup>th</sup> the members along with the York County Technical Rescue Team performed a mock confined space drill with the staff at Voith Hydro. A scenario that a Voith



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worker was having a medical emergency under a piece of equipment and the members of the WMTFD and York County Technical Rescue Team had to extricate him while he was in a small, confined space. The drill went extremely well and the staff at Voith were extremely pleased with the performance of all emergency responders.

#### New Members

During the month of March, the WMTFD welcomed one (1) new member into membership.

• Mark Pretz – Mark is a Lieutenant with York City Fire & Rescue. He has been wanting to also volunteer for some time when not on shift with York City and really likes working with the WMTFD and thought this would be the perfect place to do some volunteering.

## **COMMUNITY RISK & REDUCTION**

During the month of March, the WMTFD performed/participated in two (2) community risk & reduction events.

- March 7<sup>th</sup> Fire Safety Survey and Fire Drill Autism Clinic
- March 31<sup>st</sup> Fire Safety Survey Fed Ex Target Distribution Warehouse

## WARNINGS & VIOLATIONS

During the month of March, a total of eight (8) warnings/violations letters were given for false fire alarm.

- March 6<sup>th</sup> 1700 Normandie Drive Normandie Ridge 1<sup>st</sup> Violation
- March 18<sup>th</sup> 760 E. Berlin Rd Voith Hydro 1<sup>st</sup> Warning
- March 23<sup>rd</sup> 3553 Gillespie Dr. Frito Lay 1<sup>st</sup> Warning
- March 24<sup>th</sup> 1100 Bairs Rd BAE Systems 1<sup>st</sup> Violation
- March 27<sup>th</sup> 1850 Normandie Dr Encompass Health 1<sup>st</sup> Warning
- March 28<sup>th</sup> 1120 Zinns Quarry Rd Bickels Snacks 4<sup>th</sup> Violation
- March 28<sup>th</sup> 2000 Loucks Rd Wyndham Garden 1<sup>st</sup> Warning
- March 28<sup>th</sup> 2000 Loucks Rd Wyndham Garden 2<sup>nd</sup> Warning



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### MAINTENANCE

The following maintenance was performed during the month of March

- March 17<sup>th</sup> Rescue 505 sent to Glick for annual inspection and maintenance. Out of service for 5 days.
- March 19<sup>th</sup> Annual NFPA Ladder and Aerial Testing completed. All ladders and aerial • passed and recertified for another year.
- March 31<sup>st</sup> Utility 505 sent to Glick for installation of Back-up camera. Out of Service for 1 • day.

