



# Jerome Volunteer Fire Department

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## Fire Chief's Report

Month: August Year: 2023

Calls by Type	Number	Resident	Non-Resident
EMS Calls	9	4	5
Residential Fire	1	0	1
Commercial Fire	1	1	0
Wildland	2	0	2
Still Assignment	6	6	0
Station Staffing	2	2	0
Citizen Assist	9	6	3
Agency Assist	11	0	11
Special Duty	6	4	2
Snake Removal	5	5	0
Tech Rope Rescue	2	1	1
MVA/Rescue	4	1	3
HazMat	0	0	0
Dispatch Error	1	0	1
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>Total Calls Chief on Scene</b>	<b>52</b>		
<b>Total JFD Meetings Chief Attended</b>	<b>8</b>		

Department Meetings and Drills	Number
Officer's Meeting	1
Work Session	1
Rope Drill	1
Drills	5

JVFD Hours Worked (No Salaried Hours Included in these totals)	Total Hours: 427.25
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Fire Chief Meetings	Date
Fire Marshals	8/2/23
Chief's Meeting	8/2/23
Fire Marshals	8/31/23

### Education, Summer Semester:

- Rick began attending a Fire Inspection Code Course in August.
- Verde Valley Fire Held a mutual aid training event this month for Rope Rescue Ops. Blair, Muma Lee, Peterson and Supple all attended.

- Freeport McMoran performed a Fire Drill Exercise with Blair

### **Additional Training:**

- On Thursday 5PM August 8<sup>th</sup> we had a business meeting with Small Tools and Equipment Training, conducted by Blair
- On Thursday 5PM August 10<sup>th</sup> we conducted a Wildland Pack Deployment Training with Whiting.
- On Thursday 5PM August 17<sup>th</sup> we conducted Cardiac Overview Training with Ondovchak.
- On Thursday 5PM August 24<sup>th</sup> we conducted Training on Pumping E-111 with Muma.
- On Saturday 9AM August 27<sup>th</sup> we conducted Training on The Pike and Pivot with Muma.
- On Thursday 5PM August 31<sup>st</sup> we conducted Training with a Boardwalk and Center Walkabout with Hernandez.

### **Department Affairs and On-going Projects**

- Our August call volume is up by 10 calls over last August's 49 calls, totaling 59 calls this month. Our Year-to-Date call volume is 350 compared to last year's 327 calls YTD 2022. Our Fire Department personnel perform their tasks in a professional manner with no injuries occurring.
- Jerome Fire has been working with the Town crew to restore the water tanks and water lines to full capacity due to the right-hand tank on Cleopatra hill having a leak on the bottom of the tank. The Tank has been repaired; with only water testing remaining to do.
- We have been monitoring all the water tanks multiple times daily throughout the months. To ensure we have water overflow, in addition to filling the sunshine hill tanks. At this point all the water tanks are full, other than the one that needs repair.
- We have received a grant for \$120,000, This grant is for Incident Management software as well as laptops. We are currently working with the two approved companies for quotes on the services that will be provided. We had demonstrations from both companies, Adashi and 3AM innovations. We're still looking for input from Allen before making our final decision.
- Jerome Fire has purchased a \$11,000 public safety drone using auxiliary funds. This drone has dual Cameras with FLIR (Thermal Imaging) capability. This drone will be able to serve both the Fire department and the Police Department in many different aspects, including Fire spotting, Search and rescue, Patient location and more. A roster of potential Pilots is also being developed to begin training. These include Allen Muma, Carl Whiting, Ricardo Hernandez, Kerry Lee, Jason Supple and John Krmpotich. The drone had some software issues, so the company is sending us a whole new drone. We hope to have it in service this month.
- JFD has received another hazardous fuel grant from the state through PAWUIC as well as Title III Money. The Grant is for 20 acres and will be around the sewage treatment plant and other adjoining drainages. We have until August of 2025 to complete the work. They're hoping to get some of these projects done with the 2 new fuel abatement personnel that was budgeted for.
- We have also Reapplied for The Title III Grant for the next Cycle and hope to hear back on that soon.
- We have received our new Wildland Truck. It is a 2023 Ram 5500 Crew Cab. The Old Truck has now been out twice this year on wildland assignments, Netting about \$40,000. We will be taking it out of service for the month of September due to the in-town activities we have going on. We can take this time to install the rear compartments/ pump and other components on the New Truck to have it ready for service.
- With the spring moisture Arizona is not seeing the normal fire season. But the Pacific Northwest and areas in that region of the country are picking up.
- We will be putting our Hydrant testing on hold until we get approval from the public works. With the Right-hand tank still inoperable and Jerome in stage one water restrictions, JFD feels it's in the town's best interest to remain in restrictions until the tanks and water lines have been repaired.

- We are looking into making subscriptions available for out-of-town residences and businesses, making it more equitable for residences and businesses for our response.
- We have Received and housed a 10x16 ft Shed we will use to store hose, gear, and other Miscellaneous things. Freeport Mc Moran has given us permission to place it out at the town yard.

### Prevention

- We have had a total of 16 Firewise activities and visits to the burn pile in August with 14 loads of trimmings, slash, and brush for a total of 30 combined Jerome's citizen hours As well as 55 total hours from our Fuels Crew and Adult Probation. We are currently managing a crew of 2 part time Firewise personnel and have 2 Adult Probation Crew that have signed up to help the department with their community service. If you need assistance, and have not filled out a Firewise application, they can be obtained at the Town Hall or the Fire Department.
- Yavapai County has lifted burn restrictions as things are green and retaining some water. We were able to burn our burn pile and reopen it for brush drop offs this month.

Thank you to all Jerome residents and property owners who have helped in the creation of defensible space around their properties by removing dead and overgrown trees, brush, and grasses.

### August Fire and EMS Report:

Incident	Date	Time	Day	Select Type	Additional Info	#
J-196	8/1/23	11:00	Tue	Agency Assist Non-Resident	Assist JPD W/ Oversized	1
J-197	8/1/23	17:00	Tue	Special Duty Non-Resident	National Night Out	8
J-198	8/2/23	12:30	Wed	Agency Assist Non-Resident	Assist APS W/ Traffic Control	2
23-97	8/4/23	4:52	Fri	MVA/Rescue Resident	Rollover - No Occupants	7
J-199	8/4/23	13:15	Fri	Citizen Assist Resident	Assist Citizen to their home	1
J-200	8/4/23	15:00	Fri	Citizen Assist Resident	Assist W/ Disabled vehicle	2
J-201	8/4/23	21:30	Fri	Snake Removal & Relocation	3.5 Ft Blacktail Rattlesnake	2
23-98	8/5/23	9:10	Sat	EMS Non Resident	26 YOM - Shoulder Injury	6
J-202	8/5/23	14:27	Sat	Agency Assist Non-Resident	Assist PD W/ Dogs in Distress	5
23-99	8/7/23	8:15	Mon	EMS Resident	38 YOF - Unknown Medical -	7
23-100	8/7/23	9:57	Mon	EMS Resident	49 YOF Unknown Medical	7
23-101	8/8/23	13:30	Tue	EMS Non Resident	Canceled Enroute	5
23-102	8/8/23	13:54	Tue	MVA/Rescue Non-Resident	Canceled Enroute	5
23-103	8/8/23	14:36	Tue	Residential Fire	Investigation	2
23-104	8/11/23	16:22	Fri	Wildland	Canceled Enroute	4
J-203	8/11/23	16:00	Fri	Special Duty Resident	Oversee Chainsaw Usage	1
J-204	8/12/23	9:00	Sat	Agency Assist Non-Resident	JPD W/ Oversized	4
23-105	8/12/23	18:26	Sat	MVA/Rescue Non-Resident	22 YOM - Motorcycle down	12
J-205	8/13/23	9:00	Sun	Citizen Assist Non-Resident	Vehicle Lockout	2
J-206	8/12/23	19:00	Sat	Station Staffing	Station Staffing	1

J-207	8/17/23	8:00	Thu	Special Duty Resident	Prepare for Wildland assignment	5
23-106	8/17/23	9:00	Thu	Wildland	Mutual Aid - California Prepositioning	3
J-208	8/17/23	16:30	Thu	Tech Rescue Resident	18 YOM - Motorcycle over Cliff	12
J-209	8/17/23	17:00	Thu	Snake Removal & Relocation	3.5 Ft Blacktail Rattlesnake	9
J-210	8/18/23	8:00	Fri	Special Duty Resident	Removed Road Hazards after storm	1
J-211	8/18/23	8:00	Fri	Special Duty Non-Resident	Mutual Aid Training - Rope	5
J-212	8/19/23	8:00	Sat	Still Assignment Resident	Burnt Burn Pile	4
J-213	8/19/23	11:30	Sat	Station Staffing	Station Staffing	3
J-214	8/19/23	17:00	Sat	Still Assignment Resident	Put out Burn Pile	2
J-215	8/21/23	8:30	Mon	Agency Assist Non-Resident	Assist W/ Oversized Vehicle	1
23-107	8/21/23	12:05	Mon	EMS Non Resident	68 YOF - Sick Person	3
J-216	8/21/23	13:00	Mon	Still Assignment Resident	Put out hotspots on Burn Pile	1
J-217	8/22/23	10:30	Tue	Snake Removal & Relocation	4' Green Mohave	1
J-218	8/22/23	11:00	Tue	Special Duty Resident	Mutual Aid - Training w/ Freeport	1
J-219	8/23/23	8:00	Wed	Agency Assist Non-Resident	Assist Pd W/ Oversized	1
J-220	8/24/23	10:45	Thur	Snake Removal & Relocation	2 Blacktail Rattlesnakes	2
23-108	8/24/23	23:48	Thu	Commercial Fire	False Alarm	4
J-221	8/25/23	9:15	Fri	Citizen Assist Non-Resident	Disabled Vehicle	2
J-222	8/24/23	9:00	Thu	Citizen Assist Resident	Disabled Vehicle	1
23-109	8/26/23	11:02	Sat	EMS Non Resident	34 YOF - Possible Syncope	11
J-223	8/26/23	12:30	Sat	Citizen Assist Resident	Disabled Vehicle	2
J-224	8/26/23	14:00	Sat	Citizen Assist Non-Resident	Disabled Vehicle	3
J-225	8/26/23	14:30	Sat	Agency Assist Non-Resident	Assist JPD W/ Locating Suspect	3
23-110	8/26/23	14:37	Sat	MVA/Rescue Non-Resident	Motorcycle down - Leg injury	5
J-226	8/26/23	18:00	Sat	Snake Removal & Relocation	4 Ft Blacktail Rattlesnake	2
23-111	8/26/23	20:47	Sat	Tech Rescue Non-Resident	Man Stuck on Cliff	8
J-227	8/26/23	21:30	Sat	Agency Assist Non-Resident	Assist + Clean-up TRT Call	8
J-228	8/27/23	12:45	Sun	Dispatch Error	Dispatch Error	2
23-112	8/27/23	13:07	Sun	EMS Non Resident	20 YOF - Syncope	3
J-229	8/27/23	14:00	Sun	Agency Assist Non-Resident	JPD W/ Dogs in Distress	2
J-230	8/28/23	9:00	Mon	Agency Assist Non-Resident	JPD W/ Oversized Vehicle	3
J-231	8/29/23	16:30	Tue	Still Assignment Resident	Smell of Smoke	2
J-232	8/29/23	17:20	Tue	Agency Assist Non-Resident	JPD W/ an Oversized vehicle	1
J-233	8/30/23	11:00	Wed	Citizen Assist Resident	Disabled Vehicle	1

23-113	8/30/23	15:38	Wed	EMS Resident	49 YOF - Unknown Medical - Psych Issues	5
J-234	8/31/23	11:00	Thu	EMS Resident	78 YOM - Fall / Syncope	4
J-235	8/31/23	11:30	Thu	Citizen Assist Resident	Traffic Control	2
J-236	8/31/23	14:45	Thu	Still Assignment Resident	Smoke Detector Check	2
23-114	8/31/23	15:53	Thu	Still Assignment Resident	Agave on Powerlines	5
<b>Incident</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Day of week</b>	<b>Select Type</b>	<b>Additional Info</b>	<b>#</b>

**August 2023 Burn Pile Log**

**JC stands for Jerome citizens.**

Date	Address	Adult Prob.	# Crew Firewise	FW Hrs.	Firewise Total Hrs.	# Loads	JC# crew	JC# Hrs.	JC Total Hrs.
8/10/2023	89A, Water tanks		2	7	14				0
8/12/2023	119 Jerome Ave.		2	1	2	0			0
8/14/2023	1st, School, Giroux		2	6	12				0
8/19/2023	Burnt Burn Pile		4	6	24				0
8/19/2023	710 Hampshire				0	1	1	2	2
8/21/2023	100 Hill St.				0	1	2	2	4
8/22/2023	880 Hampshire				0	2	2	4	8
8/21/2023	600 Clark				0	1	2	2	4
8/22/2023	300 Block, Hull Ave.				0	1	2	1	2
8/23/2023	110 Dundee				0	1	1	2	2
8/24/2023	103 Main				0	1	1	2	2
8/25/2023	105 3 <sup>rd</sup>				0	1	1	2	2
8/27/2023	220 First Ave.				0	2	1	2	2
8/28/2023	Giroux		2	1	2	1			0
8/28/2023	105 3 <sup>rd</sup>				0	1	1	2	2
8/28/2023	902 Hampshire		1	1	1	1			0
		<b>0</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>30</b>
	Jerome Citizen Hours-	Adult Prob.	Firewise	FW Hrs.	Firewise Total Hrs.	# Loads	JC# Crew	JC# Hrs.	JC Total Hrs.

**Thank you for your continuing support.  
Rusty Blair Chief JVFD**