

Kronenwetter Fire Department

2025 Year-End Report



Fire Chief Theresa O'Brien

Executive Summary

The Kronenwetter Fire Department, led by Fire Chief Theresa O'Brien, remained dedicated to providing professional emergency services to our community throughout 2025. This year, our department successfully responded to 465 total fire and emergency calls, which included 94 fire requests and 371 EMS/Ambulance requests. Beyond emergency response, we prioritized operational readiness through the completion of all annual fleet maintenance, DOT inspections, pump testing, hose testing and ladder testing. Our commitment to the community was further demonstrated by conducting 290 fire inspections across the Village of Kronenwetter and the Town of Guenther, alongside our continued focus on comprehensive personnel training and active community engagement.

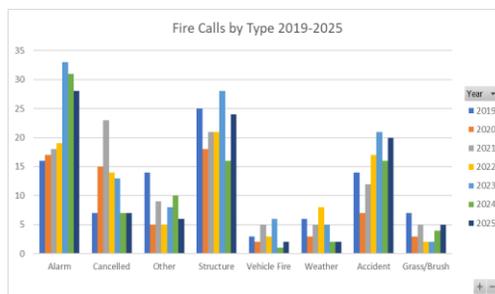
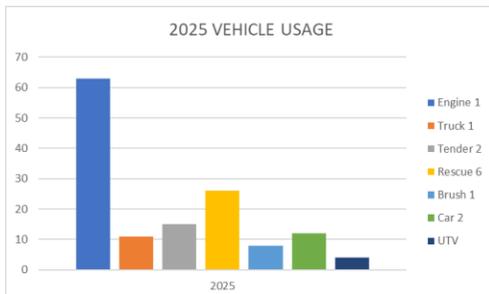
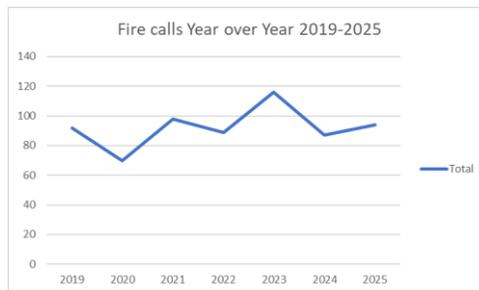
Call Volume & Operational Statistics **ems calls included on EMS year end report

Fire and Emergency Call Summary

- Total Fire Requests for 2025: 94
- Mutual Aid Received: 11
- Mutual Aid Given: 25

Fire Call Breakdown by Category:

- Alarms: 29
- Structure Fires: 21
- Vehicle Accidents: 20
- Cancelled Calls: 8
- Grass/Brush Fires: 6
- Weather Related: 4
- Vehicle Fires: 3
- Others: 3



Fleet & Equipment Status:

Annual Maintenance completed on all trucks including DOT Inspections, Hose Testing, Pump Testing, Ladder Testing

Car 2 – 2024 Ford F250 Crew Cab



EMS 1 – 2022 Ram 1500



Tender 2 – 2015 Peterbilt



Brush 1 – 2019 Ford F550



Engine 1 – 2019 Pierce



Rescue 6 – 2010 Kenworth



Truck 1 – 2023 Pierce Aerial



UTV – 2016 John Deer Model 825 E with Skid Unit



Personnel & Staffing

Total Firefighters: 28

Total EMS First Responders: 14

Department Members:

Fire Chief Theresa O'Brien **

Captain Matt Berndt

Captain Tim O'Brien **

Captain Kyle James

Captain Chris Charneski

Lieutenant Kurt Swenson

Lieutenant Keign Charneski

Lieutenant & EMS Coordinator Alexa Corazalla **

Josh Wiese

David Levorson

Kevin Balk

Cindy Smith **

Ashton Hocking

Travis Plisch

Brice Maier

Sean Andraschko

Oliva Stone

Connor Young **

Matt Neyrinck **

Jarret Imlach **

Mason Hoffmann **

Jordyn Wadle-Leff **

Eric Podoski

Samuel Wing

Brennan Weitzel

Jordan Wiskerchen **

Kaye James **

Esteban Carreon

Evan Peak **

Jamie Balk **

Jocelyn Van Rixel **

** EMS

Training & Professional Development

Annual CPR Refresher

CN Railroad

Communications

DNR Wildland annual refresher

Grass/Brush Fire Simulation

Driving/Scavenger Hunt

Ladders

Search and Rescue

Venting

Self-Rescue

Salvage and Overhaul
Pumping – Relay Pumping
Emergency Vehicle Operations
Electric/Hybrid Vehicle Emergencies
Ropes/Knots
Vehicle Extrication
Hose Operations
Fire Ground Operations
Bleeding Control
Helicopter/Landing Zone
Chimney Fire
Marathon County/Kronenwetter Forest Units
**not an all-inclusive listing

Fire Prevention & Community Engagement

- **Fire Inspections completed in 2025**
Town of Guenther – 16
Village of Kronenwetter – 274
- **Business involved training in 2025**
Fire Extinguisher training
CPR Training
- **Community Events attended in 2025:**
Open House Event
Bike and Walk event
National Night Out
Trick or Treating in the Village
Fire Prevention – Daycare/Schools/Aurora Health
Lions Fall Fest
Mosinee 4th of July and Christmas Parades
Fire Alarm replacement program
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Recognition & Acknowledgements

Years of Service Awards

Chris Charneski – 25
Theresa O’Brien – 20
Kyle James – 20

Top Responders: Tim O’Brien, Keign Charneski, Mason Hoffmann

Following awards are chosen by the department members:

Officer of the Year – Kyle James
Newbie of the Year – Jarret Imlach
Firefighter of the Year – Matt Neyrink
Most Improved Firefighter – Connor Young

Future Outlook and Planning:

- Continuing recruitment events
- Utilize training opportunities to grow staff knowledge
- Community engagement and public education programs- expand open house type events, including potential pancake breakfasts or spaghetti dinners to include “hands only CPR” and fire extinguisher trainings.
- Continue specialized training opportunities with local businesses
- Research grant opportunities – to assist with replacement of equipment that is otherwise not supported through general funds
- Mental Health Initiatives – implement behavioral health emergency training for members to better serve the community and support staff well-being