

KRONENWETTER FIRE DEPARTMENT
DECEMBER 2023

Since the end of year numbers are not yet completed but I wanted to give an update on current status of the department as well as provide some additional information. Full end of year report will be available for the Village Board meeting on 1/8/2024.

As of 12/27/2023 we have had 115 calls for Fire response and 399 calls for EMS for 2023. Fire calls are up from 89 calls last year and EMS calls are currently down by 11 with 4 days left of the year remaining.

I was asked to provide information regarding the number of calls West of Old Hwy 51 over the last few years – I reached out to Riverside Fire District and SAFER (South Area Fire) for this information since they have been our ambulance providers. Riverside was able to provide data since 1/1/2022 – reporting 60 responses to addresses west of Old 51 with no delays in response to or from scene. SAFER was not able to provide me the information for any periods prior to that. In addition, there has been no delays in response with calls for fire service in that same location.

I have also started researching future ambulance services within Kronenwetter – further discussions upcoming.

Vehicle/Equipment Updates:

Ladder Truck repairs, annual DOT inspection and pump testing completed with no issues found.

Working with V&H Auto on the replacement of our “Car 2” in 2024.

Staffing:

Currently have 30 members on the department – with 1 additional currently in the hiring process with expectation of him starting right after the new year. A new EMS Coordinator has been named and will be effective 1/1/2024– Alexa Kufalk has done an amazing job for our EMS department and I am excited to have her assistance with the EMS side.