

# FOREST VIEW FIRE DEPARTMENT

FOR
2018 TO 2019



This is the end of the year report for the Forest View Fire Department. I hope that I can cover most of the things that happened last year. First, I would like to thank the board for appointing me to the position of Acting Fire Chief. In 2018, we had 484 fire and ambulance calls. In 2019, we have had 140 fire and ambulance calls. We had a house fire at 4605 Clinton Avenue. It was investigated and it turned out to be an electrical fire. The fire was extinguished quickly and fire crews did a great job. We had assistance from Stickney, McCook, Lyons and Riverside. The fire was kept to the area of origin in the basement.

We also had large fire at Lake Shore Recycling in May 2018. Garbage and refuse caught fire and due to high winds and a limited water supply, it took a few hours to extinguish. For this fire several departments assisted us. We even called out the Chicago Fire boat to assist with putting out the fire. The fire boat was able to shoot water from the canal across the location of the fire and hit the south fence. Besides spraying water on the fire itself, the fire boat also pumped water to two ladder companies and two pumpers on the east side of the fire. We were out there for about 24 hours to extinguish the fire.

Our paramedics were also busy last year. One crew had a call where they delivered a baby at the scene and safely transported both mom and the new born to the hospital. The crew is up to receive an award for that call from Loyola Medical Center EMS office. We had a second crew that is getting an award for a call involving a patient who had a cardiac arrest (patient's heart had stopped) was brought back and saved. We have one of the best group of Firefighters/Paramedics and EMT.

I with board approval have promoted Alan Dudek and AJ Aiardo to the rank of Deputy Chief. Alan serves as the chief training officer. AJ serves as the chief of EMS. They are assisting me as my command staff and help keep the Department running smoothly. I would like to thank you the Village Board for appointing them to these positions. I have also promoted the shift commanders to the recognized fire department rank of Lieutenant.

I have ordered the new ambulance and it arrived here on April 5, 2019. Firefighters are excited about working in this new ambulance. We are hoping to have it in service next week.

We-are continuing our goal of providing the best service and care to our residents. A goal for the upcoming year is to look into replacing our front line engine with a new one. We are going to continue our training for the membership to keep them the best trained firefighters to serve our residents and businesses in the Village.

Sincerely,

Thomas A. Heller Acting Fire Chief

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# Department Roster

Firefighter/EMT Shawn McMullen	21.8	Years
Lieutenant Orlando Juarez	17.6	Years
Lieutenant John Kiser	17.2	Years
Deputy Chief Alan Dudek	17.0	Years
Firefighter/Paramedic Steve Gonzalez	12.6	Years
Firefighter/EMT Robert Aldape	11.6	Years
Lieutenant Dave Delorenzo	9.8	Years
Lieutenant Andrew J. Wilk	6.5	Years
Firefighter/Paramedic Paul Bonk	5.6	Years
Firefighter/Paramedic Christopher Dospoy	4.8	Years
Deputy Chief AJ Aiardo	4.8	Years
Lieutenant Jeff Bailey	4.8	Years
Firefighter/Paramedic Matt Doyle	4.8	Years
Firefighter/Paramedic Zach Marcolini	4.0	Years
Firefighter/Paramedic Omar Sanchez	3.9	Years
Firefighter/Paramedic Cesar Palafox	3.8	Years
Lieutenant Kristopher O'Rorke	3.8	Years
Firefighter/Paramedic Ryan Cichowicz	3.8	Years
Firefighter/Paramedic Isaac Sherman	3.8	Years
Firefighter/ Paramedic Daniel Cortez	3.7	Years
Firefighter/Paramedic Jeremy Feinberg	2.5	Years
Firefighter/Paramedic Daniel Kennedy	1.9	Years
Firefighter/Paramedic Katarzyna Koscielniak	1.7	Years
Firefighter/Paramedic Mitchell Winkelmann	1.4	Years
Firefighter/Paramedic Erik Steinmetz	0.9	Months
Firefighter/Paramedic Ryan Slaughter	0.8	Months
Firefighter/Paramedic Ali Ahmad	0.4	Months
Firefighter/Paramedic Dylan Duncan	0.4	Months
Lieutenant Rick Musil	0.3	Months
Firefighter/Paramedic Jesus Pineda	0.3	Months
Fire Chief Tom Heller	0.3	Months
Firefighter/Paramedic Sonny Scardina	0.2	Months
Firefighter/Paramedic Michael Schwerin	0.2	Months
Firefighter/Paramedic Joshua Weller	0.2	Months

# Forest View Fire Department

# Acting Fire Chief

Tom Heller

Deputy Fire Chief
Alan Dudek

Deputy Fire Chief

A J Ajardo

<u>Lieutenant</u> Kiser <u>Lieutenant</u> Delorenzo <u>Lieutenant</u> Dowling <u>Lieutenant</u> Wilk <u>Lieutenant</u> Bailey <u>Lieutenant</u> O'Rorke

<u>Lieutenant</u> Juarez <u>Lieutenant</u> Musil

Acting Lieutenant Cortez

Acting Lieutenant
Kennedy

Acting Lieutenant
Dospoy

#### **Firefighters**

**Ahmad** 

Palafox

Aldape

Pineda

Bonk

Sanchez

Cichowicz

Scardina

Doyle

Schwerin

Duncan

Sherman

Feinberg

Slaughter

Gonzales

Steinmetz

Koscielniak

Weller

Marcolini

Winkelmann

McMullen



#### **Training**

Our firefighters documented almost 1500 training sessions in 2018.

The Illinois Office of the State Fire Marshal is the certifying agency in Illinois. Each certification carries with it requirements set forth in the Illinois Administrative Code. These are OSFM and Illinois Secretary of State Certifications achieved in 2018:

**Incident Safety Officer:** 

Advanced Technician Firefighter

Aiardo

Kennedy

**Dowling** 

Slaughter

**Fore Apparatus Engineer** 

Instructor III

Feinberg

Dudek

**Rope Operations** 

Fire Service Vehicle Operator

Clurej

Koscielniak

Sanchez

Duncan

**Chief Fire Officer** 

Fire Officer I

Kiser

Dospoy

Cortez

Fire Officer II

Aiardo

Members also have attendant Continuing Education as required by Loyola Medical Center E.M.S. monthly training, as well as other department or Division 10 drills as required or scheduled.



Total Calls for the year 2018 and 2019 (from January 2018 to April 19, 2019)

Calls for the year:

Total number of calls to date:

624 Calls

In Village

415 Calls

Mutual Aid Calls:

Stickney

132 Calls

McCook

48 Calls

Riverside

13 Calls

Lyons

1 Calls

**Central Stickney** 

2 Calls

Summit

5 Calls

LaGrange

1 Call

Brookfield

5 Calls

Others

2 Calls

Total of Mutual aid Calls

209 Calls

Mutual aid is a system of none fire department assisting another. Forest View is a member of Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS). MABAS includes over 550 members fire department organized within 46 divisions, (a division is a group of departments) MABAS includes over 25,000 + firefighters and daily staffed emergency response units. MABAS offers specialized operations teams for hazardous materials, (HAZMAT), underwater rescue/recovery (DIVE) and above grade and below grade, trench and building collapse rescues teams, aka Technical Rescue Teams (TRT). An additional element of resources that can made up of certified teams to respond to larger incidents to assist with stricken village or town.

We used this MABAS during the large rubbish fire at Lake Shore fire. With MABAS fire departments can call other divisions to respond to aid with team of units or special units can be called out.



### Fire Apparatus



Engine 813



Engine 811



Ambulance 814 (old)

## New Ambulance 814





