

# SOUTH TORCH LAKE FIRE & RESCUE

## April 2023 Fire / EMS Responses

<u><b>FIRE:</b></u>	Structure Fire	4
	Tree in Roadway	2
	Smoke Detector – Accidental	1

<u><b>EMS:</b></u>	Medical Assist - PCR	9
	Ambulance Assist	3
	Assist Invalid	5
	Assist Other Agency	1

**Total Responses** **25** (2022) **20**

Milton Township	EMS Calls 4	Fire Calls 0	Total 4
Custer Township	EMS Calls 2	Fire Calls 1	Total 3

<u><b>Mutual Aid Given:</b></u>	Clearwater Township	EMS 2	Fire 2
	Bellaire Fire District	EMS 0	Fire 2

**Mutual Aid Received:** None

# South Torch Lake Fire Department

## Fire Chief Report

05/11/2023

### Calls:

25 calls for service in April. 18 of those calls were for EMS related responses. We responded automatic mutual aid on a reported structure fire twice (2) in Clearwater Township Sta# 5 and twice (2) in Bellaire Fire District.

Total: 25

2022:

20

### Personnel:

**Medical Physicals** – Everyone had 60 days from Feb 10 to get their physicals completed or scheduled. There is still 1 person who has not completed their physical. NO Physical – NO interior firefighting.

### Equipment:

Search & Rescue (life safety only) rope and bags have been ordered. 200 feet of rope with markers every 25 feet. This rope IS NOT utility rope and will only be used as search rope. There will be one bag on 22E1 and one on 22ET.

### Building:

The shrubbery is going to be removed from the front of the building and replaced with a cement sidewalk. Personnel walking out into the roadway to get around the parked cars to get to the station is a safety issue, now they can go around the front of the vehicles and stay out of the roadway.

The cracks in the parking lot are going to be filled. All the asphalt will be sealed this month.

#### ISO Update:

We have hired Wade Trim Engineering Firm out of Traverse City. They are going to certify the water points that we have identified as being accessible year-round. The work on pre-fire plans continues, as of date all business owners have been receptive to the program. We are making arrangements with our mutual aid partners to meet and time the filling and dumping of their tankers and pumpers. All these should help reduce the Township ISO rating and lower the homeowners insurance premiums for our residents.

#### Training:

May 5	Association Meeting	Sta 22
May 10	TurboDraft / Pump Ops	Sta 5
May 17	Incident Command / Accountability	Sta 22
May 24	A.C.E.S. Meeting	Bellaire FD

On-line Training: Dangers of Speeding for Emergency Vehicle Operators

#### Public Information:

**Smoke Detectors:** We have smoke detectors available to the public. The detectors were provided by MI Prevention out of the State Fire Marshal's Office. We install the detectors and do a free fire safety survey.

**Knox Box Residential Program:** We have purchased four (4) residential knox boxes. Our intent is to provide them to our residents free-of-charge, with the understanding that they are the property of STLFD and will be returned when they are no longer needed.

**Veteran's Dinner:** Thursday, May 18, is the next monthly meal for Veterans and their families at our fire station. The meal is free and co-sponsored by the Antrim County Veterans Affairs, Alden Firefighters Association, and South Torch Lake Fire. The meal is served from 5 – 7pm. Any help with the

dinner would be appreciated. Johnny's Torch Rivera is providing the meal.  
Spaghetti, Meatballs, Garlic Bread, Salad, and Brownies