



**City of East Lansing Fire Department
Weekly Incident Report
October 23-30, 2014**

Total number of incidents responded to: 249

EMS/Rescue = 204

Hazardous Conditions = 1

False Calls = 25

Fires = 5

Other = 2

Good Intent = 12

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October 23, 2014, 11:00 p.m. - Truck 12 was called for a dumpster fire on Trowbridge Road. Arrived to find a fully involved dumpster fire in the parking lot. Truck 12 pulled the front jump line to extinguish the fire. The dumpster was about half full with trash from business's in the area. The fire was extinguished using a full tank of water. There was also some damage to the fencing around the dumpster.

October 25, 2014, 12:22 a.m. – ELFD was called to the T.B. Simon Power Plant for some coal burning. Truck 12 responded, arrived, established command and investigated to find that some residual coal left in a coal shoot was smoldering. The recommended procedure to extinguish this type of fire is to drop dry ice down the chute. Since the bin was very low with coal, power plant officials were concerned with explosion hazard. EL Command was called and responded and assumed command upon his arrival. Dry ice was ordered and it was decided to drop that down to try to smother the fire. Truck 121 was called to assist with this drop. The first drop was 500 pounds of ice and monitor readings would spike to above 200 ppm above the fire. 1500 lbs. more of ice was ordered and dropped. It knocked the fire down and almost extinguished it. It was then decided that that power plant employees were satisfied that the hopper could be emptied and the burning coal could be shipped away. Fire department personnel assured them that they can call the fire department back if they had any problems in the future.

October 25, 2014, 9:22 a.m. - ELFD was again dispatched Simon Power Plant, for coal burning in a hopper. Truck 12 responded emergent and arrived to find nothing showing, Truck 12 was command and investigated. Fire personnel met with the plant supervisor who stated the coal between hoppers 3 and 4 was burning again. Access to the top of a 3 story hopper was on the 5th floor. Located the access and found some smoke drifting out of a closed access hatch. The plan was to dump 2000 lbs. of dry ice down from top of coal hopper in attempt to dislodge the coal shelf that was burning. The angle from the opening at the top and the shelf where the coal is burning was sharp. Dumped and attempted to direct dry ice toward coal shelf with minimal success. CO levels with the hatch opened initially was 163 and then down to 0 with ventilation and dry ice application. Power Plant employees were planning a meeting to discuss what should be done next to complete extinguishment. They did not want to spray water to extinguish the fire do to run-off concerns. They were thinking about 20-30 yards of sand into the hopper, or even letting the coal burn itself out over the next couple of days. They were given the EL Deputy Chief's phone number for a meeting and then command was terminated.

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October 25, 2014, 8:15 p.m. - ELFD dispatched to the Auditorium for a bush on fire. Truck 12 responded emergent and located a smoldering fire in the parking lot of Giltner Hall. Someone had dumped charcoal remains in the bushes. Firefighters extinguished with 2 buckets of water and then cleared.

October 26, 2014, 1:24 a.m. - East Lansing Fire was dispatched to a couch fire in the alley between Grove and MAC. Engine 11 was assigned to the call and responded with 3 personnel. Engine 11 arrived and found a fully involved couch in the middle of the alley north of Elizabeth. Firefighters used the front 1 ¾" trash line and 50 gallons of water to extinguish the fire. They then moved the couch out of the alley and next to a dumpster. The on-duty fire inspector was notified and advised of the same but did not respond to the scene. Engine 11 repacked the hose and cleared the scene.

## **Training Reported in FireRMS**

October 28, 2014, 1:30-4:00 p.m. – Respirator Fit Testing – All on duty personnel participated in this testing.

October 29, 2014, 7:30 – 9:30 a.m. – First Responder Operations – All on duty personnel had a HazMat tour of Munn, Water Reservoir and Regional Chilled Water. Identified hazardous chemicals, alarm panels, systems, and personnel in charge of each building. Scenarios reviewed of potential issues and what to do.

October 29, 2014, 9 a.m. -12:30 p.m. – Respirator Fit Testing – All on duty personnel participated in the N-95 fit testing.

## **Types of EMS Calls**

Altered LOC/mental status = 5  
Abdominal pain = 2  
Allergic reaction = 1  
Ankle injury = 2  
Assault = 2  
Back/tailbone pain = 3  
Bradycardia = 1  
Car/pedestrian PI = 1  
Cardiac arrest = 1  
Chest pain/DIB = 10  
Confusion = 1  
Cough = 1  
Diabetic = 1  
Dizziness = 2  
Dog bite = 2  
Drug abuse = 1  
Elbow pain = 1  
ETOH = 86  
Eye injury = 1  
Facial droop = 1

Flu like symptoms = 1  
Falls = 6  
Finger pain = 2  
Foot pain = 2  
Hematoma to forehead = 1  
Headache/laceration/pain = 7  
Hip pain = 2  
Hypoglycemic = 1  
Incontinence = 1  
Irritation to face = 1  
Knee and leg pain = 2  
Laceration = 3  
Leg swelling/pain = 2  
Lift assist only = 2  
Loss of consciousness = 1  
Low blood sugar = 1  
Lump in throat = 1  
Multiple trauma – 1  
MVA w/no patient = 1  
Mouth pain/bleeding = 2

Nausea/vomiting/diarrhea = 6  
Neck pain = 2  
No complaint/injury or patient = 4  
Not feeling well = 1  
Numbness on side = 1  
Overdose = 2  
Poor balance = 1  
Pregnant/water broke = 1  
Rapid heart rate/respirations = 2  
SVT = 1  
Seizures = 5  
Suicidal = 2  
Shoulder injury = 1  
Syncope = 9  
Tired/weak = 1  
Traumatic injury = 1  
Unconscious/unresponsive = 2  
Weakness = 1