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Fire Division Briefing – April 24, 2017

Operational Updates

- Emergency response runs for the month of March included 952 EMS runs and 288 fire runs for a total of 1240 incidents. There were 87 high acuity EMS incidents (unresponsive/non-breather/cardiac arrest, violent incident). Mifflin firefighters participated in 29 significant working structure fires. This is an average of 40 runs per 24-hour shift.
- Peak period Medic 131 was placed into service on April 19th at 0800. The transport medic is located at the Rocky Fork Fire Station and is in service from 0800-1900 each day as staffing levels permit.
- On April 6th, all three front-line Mifflin Medics and Engine 133 were transporting and transferring patients at St. Ann's Hospital when a shooting occurred. All staff and vehicles were held for several hours within the crime scene. Columbus Division of Fire moved up ambulances into Gahanna and we used Automatic Aid partners Plain and Jefferson Township during the 4-5 hours these vehicles were unavailable.
- A significant structure fire occurred on April 8th in north Gahanna that left two families without a home. Our response time was approximately 4 minutes. There were no civilian or firefighter injuries, multiple animals were rescued by firefighters and unfortunately one family pet was lost to smoke inhalation. A subsequent neighborhood meeting occurred on April 13th to review the

Administrative Updates

- No updates on the construction of a new Fire Department Administration Offices and MECC 9-1-1 Dispatching Center on the existing Rocky Fork Blvd. site.
- The Community CPR training program is underway and should kick off the first week of May. The purpose of this program is to ensure that every adult-sized Gahanna resident knows how to perform CPR compressions. The Family and Friends CPR

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training program is one module of a series that includes CPR for infants and children, use of an AED, and first-aid.

- The Community Paramedic program has also been launched. Firefighter- Paramedic Kenny King will be introduced to Council in May. This program is designed to fill many gaps for residents who need assistance with medical care but do not require transportation to an emergency department.
- The Fire Division initiated an Opiate Town Hall in collaboration with Gahanna City Police and Gahanna-Jefferson Schools. The well-attended event occurred on April 20th at Clark Hall. Approximately 95 citizens, elected officials and presenters were in attendance. Event organizers met today to discuss the event and plan next steps.

Please feel free to contact me directly with specific questions or concerns you may have about Fire Division operations.