

Drakeville Volunteer Fire Department

Firehouse
1349 Marshall Lake Rd.

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Members of the Board of Public Safety,

Calls for Service:

In December, Drakeville Volunteer Fire Department was dispatched to 13 calls for service and made 11 of those. More information is available below:

Calls

Date	Dispatched	Made	Missed	# Black	# Yellow	Nature
1/6/24	1	1		2	5	200 The Way - Auto Alarm
1/10/24	4	4		1	2	80 Fern Drive - Auto Alarm
					3	116 New Harwinton Rd. - Water Problem
				1	3	99 Lyman Dr. - Water Problem
1/10/24				2	5	Torrington St. @ West Hill Road - MVC (High Mechanism)
1/12/24	1	1		2	2	116 Edward Ave. - Auto Alarm
1/12/24	1	1		2	4	515 Main St. - MVC
1/14/24	1		1			Marshall Lake Rd @ Mountain Rd. - Electrical Hazard
1/15/24	1	1		1	5	39 Evergreen Rd. - Auto Alarm
1/16/24	1		1			65 Woodside Circle - Auto Alarm
1/17/24	1	1		2	3	127 Mundry Rd. - MVC
1/19/24	1	1		3	5	50 Major Besse Dr. - Auto Alarm

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1/21/24	1	1	2	3	855 University Dr. - Auto Alarm
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Training:

Drakeville members completed a cumulative total of 129.5 training hours in the month of January. Training consisted of fire suppression, driver training, hydrants, communications, and SCBA.

Operations:

Drakeville currently has 14 active firefighters, 5 of which are interior. Interior manpower should increase to 7 after pre-requisites are completed, estimated in mid-March. Drakeville currently has 4 students in the Firefighter I program at Litchfield County Regional Fire School, which began February 6 and should conclude in June.

Drakeville also cleared one more member as a driver on Tanker 38. There are now 3 qualified drivers for Tanker 38, 2 drivers for Engine 35, and 6 drivers for Brush 36.

Community Engagement:

Drakeville held our annual Christmas Tree Burn on January 20th, which was very well attended despite the weather and low temperatures.

The department also participated in the “No Child Left Inside” Winter Festival held at Burr Pond State Park on February 3.

Other Items:

As previously communicated, Drakeville has formed an apparatus replacement committee to explore the replacement of Engine 35, which is 35 years old and facing obsolescence issues. The engine is the department’s only front-line pumper. We are working closely with the Torrington Fire Department and the City of Torrington as we plan for a replacement.

Yours truly,

Tomasz Kalinowski, Captain

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