The following is a report of the activities carried out by LaSalle Fire Service for the first quarter of 2024. During this quarter, the fire service responded to one hundred and forty-two (142) incidents. This is the second highest Q1 call volume for LaSalle Fire Service. In 2023, LaSalle Fire responded to one hundred and fifty-four (154) incidents in Q1, thirty-six (36) of which were ice storm related calls. In addition to incident responses, LaSalle Fire Service conducted twenty (20) building inspections and/or re-inspections, one hundred and forty-five (145) residential smoke alarm inspections and ninety-six (96) carbon monoxide alarms were tested in fifty-two (52) homes, and there were twenty-eight (28) training sessions provided for department personnel.



Figure 1 Quarterly Call Volume Trend



INCIDENTS

Responses to motor vehicle collisions increased compared to historical levels even though we did not experience any significant snow falls. The other incident types are trending at normal levels.

TYPE	No. Of INCIDENTS	PERCENT OF TOTAL CALLS
Fire / Overheat / Smell of Smoke	22	15%
Motor Vehicle Collision / Medical	55	39%
Alarms-panels, Smoke, CO	52	37%
TOTAL	142	91%

Table 1 Call Volume by Type

During our Incident responses, one hundred and forty-five (145) residential smoke alarms and ninety-six (96) carbon monoxide alarms were inspected in fifty-two (52) homes, resulting in twenty-five (25) smoke alarms being installed and twenty-three (23) batteries being replaced.



FIRE PREVENTION

Investigations

One (1) fire incidents was investigated as to origin and cause. There are currently no outstanding investigations. Four (4) fire safety plans were reviewed. Eight (8) site/building plans were reviewed.

Fire Inspections

The following inspections were carried out during this quarter:

INSPECTIONS			
Assembly	3		
Residential	8		
Bus. & Personal Service	5		
Industrial	2		
Mercantile	0		
Institutional	2		
Other	0		
Total	20		

Table 2 Fire Prevention Inspections by Type

Provincial Offences/Inspection Orders

During the period, zero (0) Inspection Orders were issued. One (1) Provincial Offence Notices were issued. Six (6) follow up's and re-inspections were completed. Zero (0) firework permits were issued.

Incident Report Requests

Zero (0) incident report requests were completed.

Preplans

One (1) preplan was completed in Q1 and two (2) others are in progress.



TRAINING

TRAINING LEVEL	SUBJECT MATTER	ATTENDANCE	HOURS
Recruit Level	Testing and Maintenance	16 personnel	4.0
Necruit Lever	Firefighter II Online	14 personnel	36.0
	Pre-plans, High-rise	16 personnel	4.0
	Fire Origin and Cause Determination	16 personnel	4.5
General Level	Live Fire Training	All personnel	4.0
	Ice Rescue Theory	All personnel	4.0
	Ice Rescue Practical	9 personnel	5.5
	Firefighter Survival Theory	All personnel	4.0
	Base Hospital Training	All personnel	4.0
	Fitness/Zoll Defib. Training	All personnel	3.0
Officer	Survival – Hangs/Bailouts	17 personnel	4.0
	Blue Card / Incident Command	19 personnel	3.5
	Blue Card Course	2 personnel	50.0
Specialized Training	Instructor I	2 personnel	40.0
Trummy	Base Hospital Medical Training	4 personnel	4.0
	Fire and Life Safety Education	3 personnel	12.0

PUBLIC EDUCATION

Public education opportunities were provided in-person as well as through virtual platforms including frequent messaging on our social media channels. Virtual messaging included National Burn Awareness week, winter emergency preparedness and general fire safety. Other fire safety



messages shared on social media include smoke and CO alarm certification markings on products, electrical safety, dryer safety, heating safety, cooking safety, and smoking safety.

QUARTERLY NEWS

Staffing Update

One (1) volunteer firefighters resigned during this quarter.

Respectfully,

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