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## 2019 ANNUAL REPORT



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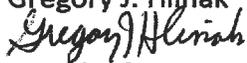
Welcome,

I am grateful and honored to lead the dedicated volunteers of the Kewaunee Fire department. My admiration of the skills and professionalism of our responders is something to be proud of. The members of the fire department indeed have the well-being of the community in their heart and have a true understanding of the vital role they serve.

The fire service poses a challenge with every call that we respond. There is no fore warning when a call comes in or what situation we may face. We can overcome these challenges because our firefighters believe in helping others and they believe they can make a positive difference in people's lives.

We need to thank the people of this community for entrusting us to serve them for their fire protection needs. It is also appropriate ask forgiveness of the spouses and families of the firefighters as when the alarm sounds, your responders leave home and head to the incident location. We need to express appreciation to the employers of firefighter's who allow them to leave work when the call goes out. Support and trust from the community as a whole, enables a person to have the interest to join a fire department who answers the call at any time. I would also like to thank the City Council, Mayor Christman, Administrative Staff at City Hall, the Police and Fire Commission, and all the Town Boards, for your continued support of the Fire Department.

This annual report provides information about the highlights of the Fire Department operations from 2019.

Gregory J. Hlinak  
  
Fire Chief

Kewaunee Fire Department



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The Kewaunee Fire Department provides fire protection to the City of Kewaunee, Townships of West Kewaunee, Pierce, Casco and the Kewaunee Power Station. The area of KFD protection territory is 60 square miles with an average year round population of 5000 people. Our mission is to provide the citizens a quality fire protection service and to operate safely at all times.

#### **News worthy events that happened last year:**

- \* Chief Engineer Noel Baudhuin receives the Door-Kewaunee Firefighter of the year award.
- \* Fire Department Museum opens to the public for viewing during the clock festival.
- \* Captain Joe Nemecek earns a fire instructor certification from N.W.T.C in Green Bay.
- \* Nathan Knipp & Joe Nemecek attend 20 hours of fire officer level 1 certification.
- \* Noel Baudhuin & Mike Sisel invest 62 hours of training each, to become certified in firefighter level 1 and hazardous material response through N.W.T.C in Sturgeon Bay.
- \* Roman Kleiman and Brent Johnson received training certification in firefighter basic.
- \* Kewaunee Fabrications donates two Drager air monitors for fire department response.
- \* A grant application submitted to Wisconsin Public Service Foundation resulted in an award of \$2,000.00 to the fire department. Ice/cold water rescue equipment was the target of purchase.
- \* A Wisconsin DNR wildfire grant is awarded to the fire department for the purchase of eye goggles and protective hoods in the amount of \$2,800.00.
- \* An equipment trailer is purchased for the fire department with donations sponsored by Farm Tech Days, Ag Heritage, FFA Alumni and the KFD Auxiliary. The trailer contains a variety of equipment such as wood cribbing, grain bin rescue, boards/shoring material, floating boom/oil dry/diking for hazardous material spills.
- \* Vehicle maintenance stays within budget for the first time in many years.
- \* The fire protection contract for Kewaunee Power Station is renewed until the year 2030.
- \* Annual testing of all ground ladders and the aerial device has been successfully completed.
- \* All motorized fire apparatus successfully passed their annual water pump testing.

\* Fire hose testing had been completed with only a couple of lengths being taken out of service.

\* All self-contained breathing apparatus was put through functional testing as well as personal fit testing. All department members passing their face piece fit test.

\* A series of meetings with the City of Kewaunee and the Townships in which we serve, has been very successful with completing the goals of communication, understanding and organization.

\* The Fire Chief's computer stalled when a new windows program was attempted installation making the computer inoperable. A new machine had to be purchased and much of the data on the old computer was luckily recovered. Take a lesson learned, NEVER, install a new Windows 10 program into an old computer.

\*We accomplished an important goal which is that there are no firefighter injuries to report as well as no fire related civilian injuries.

Current Roster: 38 Firefighters

- New Members:
- \* Roman Kleiman, 22 Years old, lives near the City, works at Kewaunee Fabrications, earned his firefighter certification at NWTC Green Bay.
  - \* Josh Lambert, 27 years old, Lives near the city, works Pagels as a mechanic, initial training as a Casco firefighter.
  - \* Jason Last, 45 years old, lives in Kewaunee, works at Lakeshore Heating & Cooling, Initial training as a Carlton firefighter.
  - \* Brent Johnson, 32 years old, lives north of the city, received firefighting training U.S. Navy and recently, NWTC Green Bay.

		<u>Odometer reading</u>	<u>end</u>
Active Fire Apparatus:	1977 Military Brush Truck	14260	28 miles
	1991 Chevrolet Tanker	Broken	600 miles (estimate)
	1993 Pierce Pumper	36604	644 miles
	1996 Pierce Pumper	64489	946 miles
	2001 International Tanker	14822	353 miles
	2004 Equipment Van	Broken	500 miles (estimate)
	2005 Pierce Ladder Truck	13910	408 miles
	2014 Mini Pumper	2440	<u>267 miles</u>
	Mileage Total:		3746 miles

Fuel Used: 1054 gallons

Fire Inspections: 495 Fire Inspections conducted  
Municipal Water Used: 80,000 gallons  
Training Hours: 1813  
Dollar Loss from Fires: \$ 7,000.00

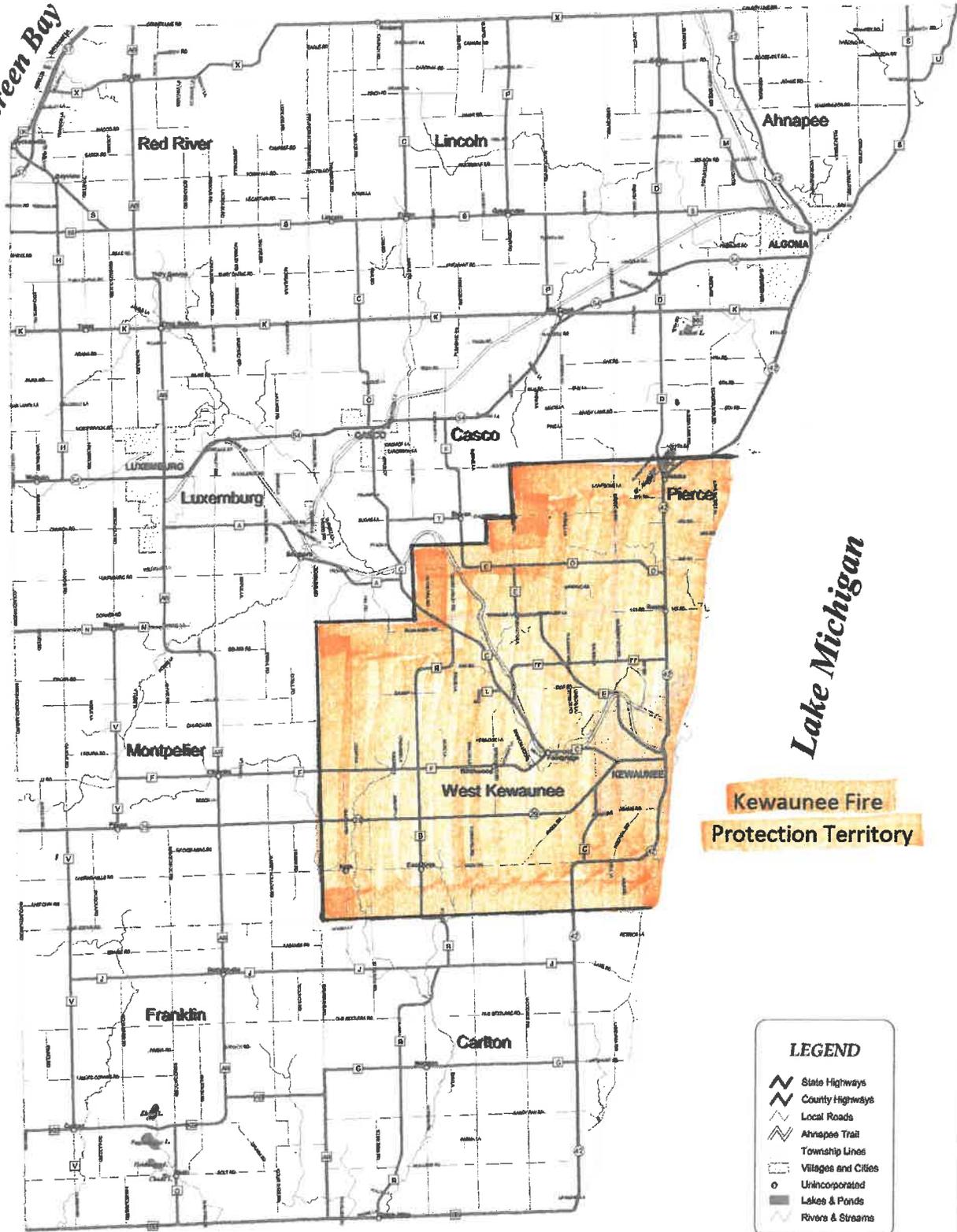
2019 Incident response by description

EMS Assist	13
Mutual Aid given	10
Car Accident	5
False Alarm	5
Carbon Monoxide	1
Snowmobile Accident	1
Smoke Smell	1
Electrical	1
Truck Fire	1
Ice Rescue	1
Tornado	1
Trash Fire	1
ATV Accident	1
Industrial Rescue	1
Natural gas smell	1
Wood burner Shed	<u>1</u>
<b>2019 Total</b>	<b>45</b>

Alice Koller Estate Expenditures:

Computer Program	\$ 353.38
Mechanical Tools	\$ 635.17
Rapid Intervention Equipment	\$ 2,491.97
Ice/Cold Water Rescue Equipment	\$ 1,056.50
RIT, Foam Nozzle, Water Rescue, Valves	\$ 3,829.03
Pager Equipment	\$ 2,587.61
Ice/Cold Water Rescue Suits	\$ 1,545.00
Rescue Tool/Breathing Equipment	\$ 3,901.49
SCBA Repair	\$ 2,245.97
Washer/Extractor	\$ 4,028.08
Confined Space Harness	<u>\$ 820.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$23,494.20</b>

*Green Bay*



*Lake Michigan*

**Kewaunee Fire  
Protection Territory**

**LEGEND**

- State Highways
- County Highways
- Local Roads
- Ahnapee Trail
- Township Lines
- Villages and Cities
- Unincorporated
- Lakes & Ponds
- Rivers & Streams

# *Kewaunee County*

## **State & Local Roads**



Kewaunee County  
Land Information Office  
January 2013

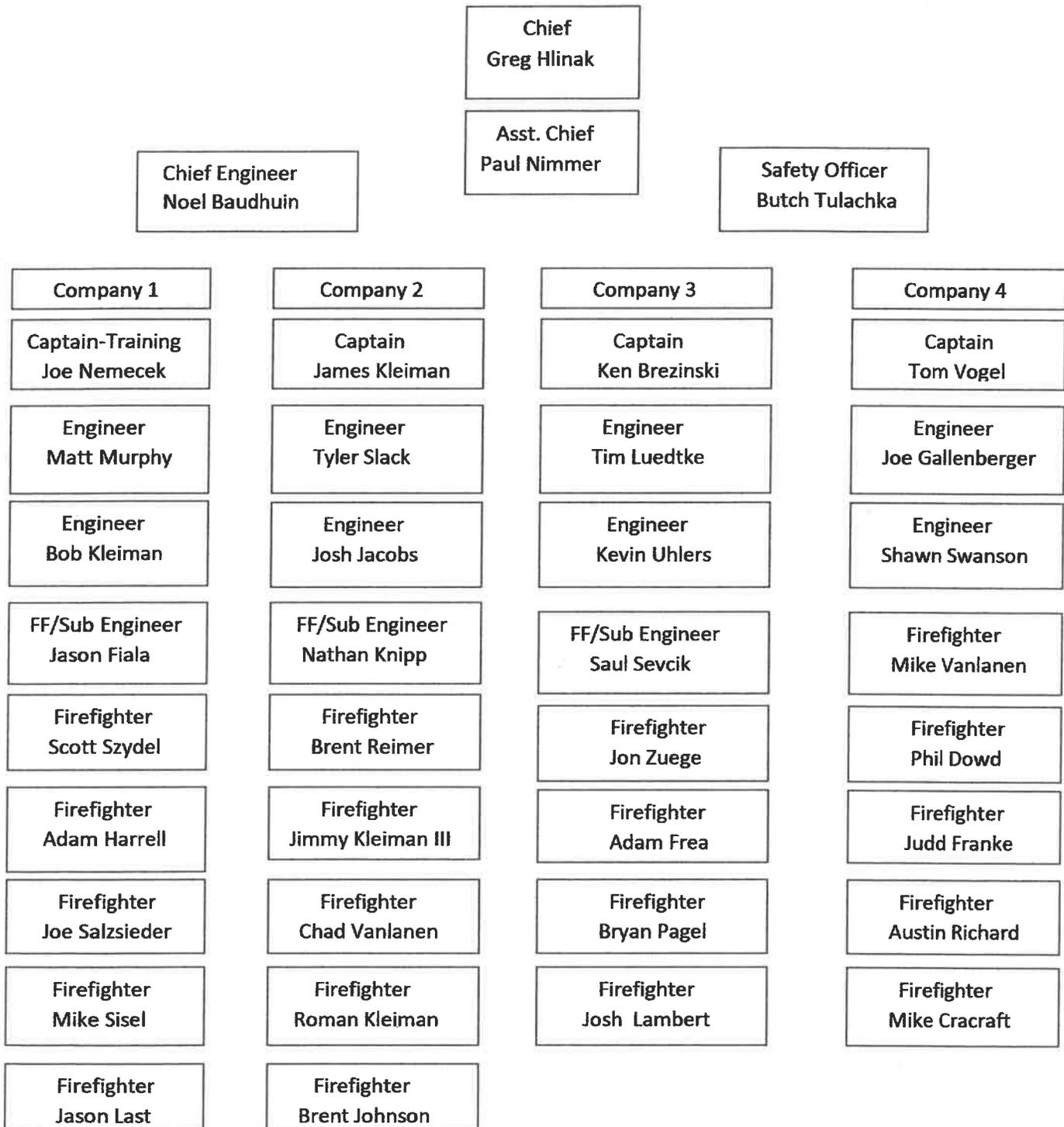
## Kewaunee Fire Department 2020

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Date Joined</u>	<u>Years Of Service</u>
Greg Hlinak	65	Sept. 12 1977	43
Paul Nimmer	57	Feb. 22, 1988	32
Ken Brezinski	61	March 13, 1989	31
Jim Kleiman	51	Oct. 14, 1991	29
Joe Gallenberger	59	June 8, 1992	28
Butch Tulachka	50	July 10, 1995	25
Tim Luedtke	58	May 19, 1997	23
Noel Baudhuin	43	Aug. 11, 1997	23
Scott Szydel	44	July 10, 2000	20
Mike Vanlanen	39	Oct. 22, 2001	19
Tom Vogel	38	Aug. 9, 2004	16
Jon Zuege	41	1/12/04-8/11/08, LOA, 5/25/09	16
Judd Franke	57	Jan. 23, 2006	14
Shawn Swanson	36	Jan. 23, 2006	14
Philip Dowd	38	Sept. 10, 2007	13
Tyler Slack	40	Oct. 8, 2007	13
Joe Nemecek	41	Oct. 27, 2008	12
Nathan Knipp	32	Oct. 27, 2008	12
Bob Kleiman	47	1994-2000, LOA, 2016	10
Adam Harrell	35	March 7, 2010	10
Kevin Uhlers	47	Oct. 10, 2011	9
Matt Murphy	40	Oct. 14, 2013	7
Brent Reimer	27	March 9, 2015	5
Adam Frea	33	March 16, 2016	4
Josh Jacobs	32	March 16, 2016	4
Jason Fiala	45	March 16, 2016	4
Saul Sevcik	31	March 16, 2016	4
James Kleiman III	23	May 22, 2017	3
Bryan Pagel	36	May 22, 2017	3
Austin Richard	23	May 22, 2017	3
Mike Sisel	42	March 5, 2018	2
Chad Vanlanen	36	March 5, 2018	2
Joe Slazsieder	42	March 5, 2018	2
Mike Cracraft	43	March 5, 2018	2
Roman Kleiman	23	June 24, 2019	1
Jason Last	46	June 24, 2019	1
Josh Lambert	28	June 24, 2019	1
Brent Johnson	32	June 24, 2019	1
Average age	41	Average years of service	12

# KEWAUNEE FIRE DEPARTMENT

## CHAIN OF COMMAND

2019



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## 2019 INCIDENT CALLS

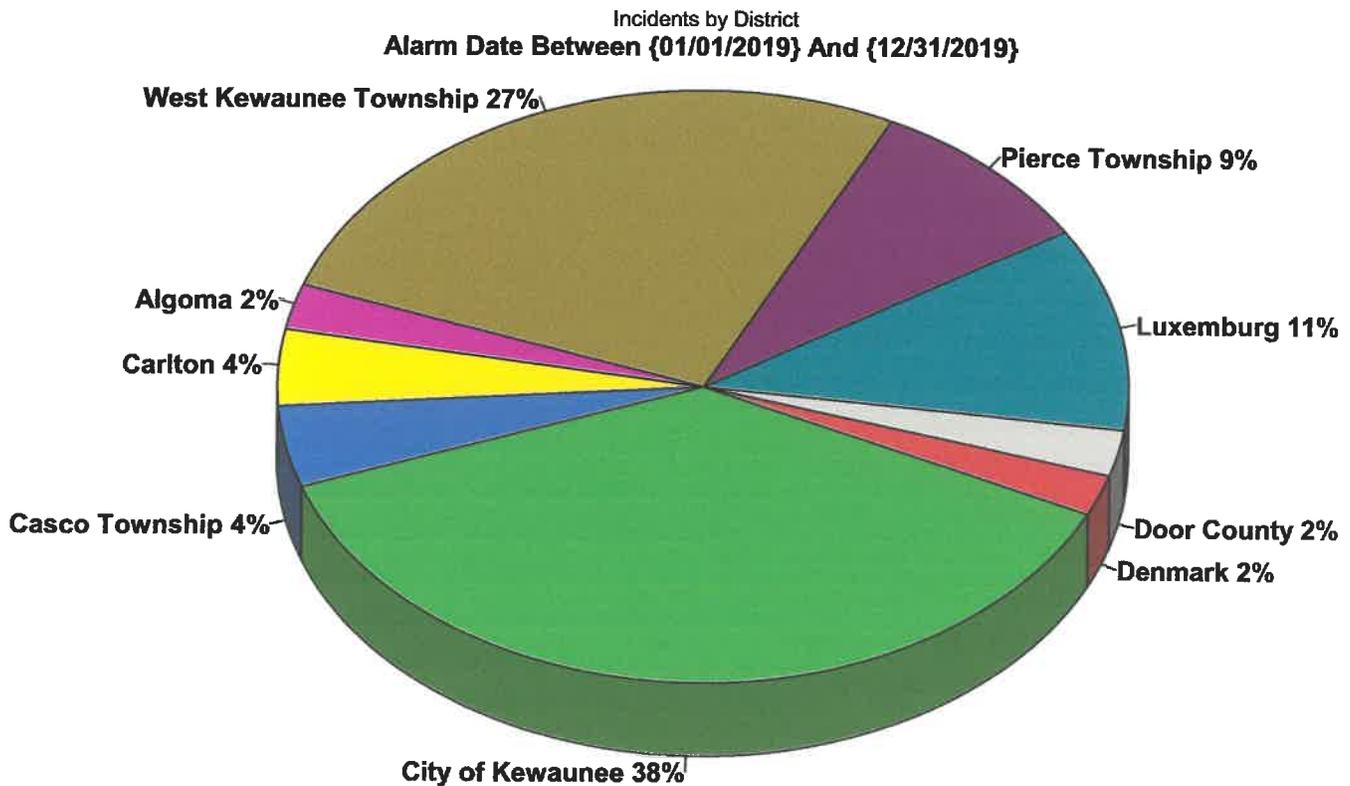
\*-=Mutual Aid Given

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Nature</u>	<u>Area</u>
January 4	Zachary Schreiber	N6238 HWY 42	Structure	*Algoma
January 8	Kathryn Brown	CTH F	Car Accident	West Kewaunee
January 22	Alvin Rabas	E1271 Church Road	Garage Fire	*Luxemburg
January 29	Steve Schlies	E4244 Sandy Bay Road	Barn Fire	*Carlton
February 2	West Alaska Lake Park	N6077 CTH D	Snowmobile	Pierce
February 15	Crystal Morales	N3086 CTH C	Carbon Mon	West Kewaunee
February 20	Steve McClellan	N4656 Lakeshore Dr.	Smoke Smell	Pierce
February 22	Keith Siegmund	N2685 Hrabik Road	Structure Fire	*Luxemburg
March 24	Karnopp/Stoeger	CTH E "Shooting Park"	Ice Rescue	West Kewaunee
March 27	Southern Door Fire Dept.	Forestville	Station Stand-By	*Southern Door
April 10	Harley Berkovitz	N7435 Rondezvous Road	House Fire	*Luxemburg
April 11	Katelyn Melnarik	Hwy 29 & Angle Road	Car Accident	West Kewaunee
April 25	Kew Ambulance	903 Sixth Street #311	EMS Assist	Kewaunee
May 16	Kewaunee Ambulance	903 Sixth Street #311	EMS Assist	Kewaunee
May 17	Justin Kuehl	N5212 CTH E	Tuck Fire	Casco
May 21	Vollrath	23 Kilbourn Street	False Alarm	Kewaunee
June 2	Andrew Painter	CTH C & CH FF	Canceled	West Kewaunee
June 6	Tracy Vangeothem	N2986 CTH C	Vehicle Accident	West Kewaunee
June 11	Kewaunee Ambulance	903 Sixth Street #311	EMS Assist	Kewaunee
June 27	Wayne Paral	N1048 Lake View Dr.	Lake bluff rescue	*Carlton
July 17	Brian Czarneski	3575 S CTH P	Structure Fire	*Denmark
July 20	National Weather Service	Kewaunee	Tornado Warning	Kewaunee
July 27	Kewaunee Ambulance	903 Sixth Street #311	EMS Assist	Kewaunee
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July 27	Kewaunee ATV Park	E3725 CTH L	ATV Accident	West Kewaunee
July 30	Kewaunee Ambulance	E4727 Winding Road	EMS Assist	Casco
July 30	Alaska Golf Club	N6092 STH 42	Burning Garbage	Pierce
August 3	Mike Sevcik	N3331 CTH C	False Alarm	West Kewaunee
August 17	Dale Sconzert	E960 CTH X	Canceled	*Luxemburg
September 4	Pekarek/Kohnle	Second & Center Street	Vehicle Accident	Kewaunee
September 11	Vollrath	23 Kilbourn Street	Rescue	Kewaunee
September 14	Kewaunee Ambulance	1309 Dodge Street	EMS Assist	Kewaunee
October 17	Kewaunee Ambulance	903 Sixth Street #311	EMS Assist	Kewaunee
October 27	Atrium Post Acute Care	1308 Lincoln Street	False Alarm	Kewaunee

November 10	Kewaunee Ambulance	903 Sixth Street #311	EMS Assist	Kewaunee
November 11	Joseph Kozuch	E5316 First Road	House Electrical	Pierce
November 17	Kewaunee Ambulance	903 Sixth Street #311	EMS Assist	Kewaunee
November 19	County Rescue	E3697 Oak Road	Canceled	West Kewaunee
November 22	John Pagel	E3466 STH 54	House Fire	*Luxemburg
November 25	Jim Kielpikowski	E3871 CTH F	Wood Burner	West Kewaunee
December 9	Justine Ziemer	STH 29 & Birchwood Rd.	Vehicle Accident	West Kewaunee
December 13	Kewaunee Ambulance	401 Milwaukee Street	EMS Assist	Kewaunee
December 21	Gary Wise	N2709 CTH B	False Alarm	West Kewaunee
December 22	Kewaunee Ambulance	903 Sixth Street #311	EMS Assist	Kewaunee
December 28	Atrium Post Acute Care	1308 Lincoln Street	Nat Gas Smell	Kewaunee

**2019 Total**

City of Kewaunee	17 Calls
Mutual Aid	10 Calls
Township of West Kewaunee	12 Calls
Township of Pierce	4 Calls
Township of Casco	<u>2 Calls</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>45 Incident Calls</b>



## 2019 TRAINING TOPICS

### January 2019

Ice/cold water rescue  
Weekly vehicle inspections  
Driver/Operator traffic safety  
Disaster planning/response  
Water supply operations

### February 2019

Weekly vehicle inspections  
D.O.T. Traffic incident command  
Ice/cold water rescue operations  
Driver- traffic safety  
Tour Pagel's Ponderosa

### March 2019

Weekly vehicle inspections  
Apparatus placement and fill site operations  
WI code SPS330 seminar  
Firefighter 1 certification  
Fire officer certification  
Hose line advancement

### April 2019

Weekly vehicle inspections  
Firefighter 1 certification  
Haz-mat awareness  
Tornado drill  
Blood borne Pathogens  
Hose Testing

### May 2019

Weekly vehicle inspections  
Haz-mat awareness  
Fire Officer certification  
Active Shooter

### June 2019

Weekly vehicle inspections  
Rapid Intervention Techniques  
Pump operations

### July 2019

Weekly vehicle inspections  
Driver/operator & air bag rescue system  
Pump operations  
Vehicle extrication jaws-of-life

### August 2019

Weekly vehicle inspections  
Pump operations  
water supply operations  
Rapid intervention techniques  
Entry level firefighter

### September 2019

Weekly vehicle inspections  
Entry level firefighter certification  
Water supply operations  
Fire Instructor certification

### October 2019

Weekly vehicle inspections  
Firefighter entry level  
Pump operator  
Burn tower w/Algoma  
Kew Power Station exercise  
Ground ladders

### November 2019

Weekly vehicle inspections  
Firefighter 1 certification  
Haz-Mat awareness  
Multiple operations

### December 2019

Weekly vehicle inspections  
Driver safety  
Fire control & ventilation