



Gerrish Township Fire/EMS Department

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September 2025 Monthly Activity Report

In August 2025, the department responded to 79 requests for emergency services, over the five-year average of 57 calls for August. The year-to-date total for incidents is 433

EMS Calls

- Medical Calls: 29
- Trauma/Accident: 20
- Medical Assist: 10
- Standby: 0
- Cancelled Calls: 6
- Alarms: 1

Fire & Rescue Calls

- Structure Fires: 2
- Powerlines Down: 3
- Wildland Fires: 0
- Vehicle Accident/Fire: 2
- Gas Leak: 1
- Standby: 0
- Alarms/Good Intent Calls: 5
- Ice/Water/Other Rescue: 0
- Assist to another Agency: 0
- Technical Rescue: 0

Total Incident Summary:

- EMS Total Calls: 66
- Fire/Rescue Total Calls: 13

Additional Notes on Calls:

- Intercepts: 3
- Non-Transports: 11
- Mutual Aid: 10 (2 requests from us)

Training Highlights (68 Total Hours)

- Neal Dopp attended an OB class to strengthen and update skills in delivery procedures and stay proficient in obstetric emergencies.
- The department participated in Rescue Taskforce Training, with a short lecture and then hands-on practice with triage and extrication during an active violence situation.
- The department completed our annual Bloodborne Pathogens and Infectious Disease Training as a good refresher on best practices, safety, and prevention.
- Members of the department participated in a Forcible Entry Training, which focused on practical techniques for gaining entry during a fire and emergency scenario.
- Chief Gilliam attended a Legal EMS Seminar going over topics such as intersection liability, patient care refusal and consent, best practices documentation pitfalls and error reduction, and myths around legal right-of-way and driving risks.

Training Delivered by Personnel

- We taught EMS training for Markey Township Fire/EMS personnel going over Bloodborne Pathogens and Infectious Disease Training.

Community Involvement (79 Hours)

- We had our Annual Open House, we showed the community our equipment and gave demonstrations, station tours, used our Fire Safety Trailer, borrowed a bounce house from RTFD, played games, and had a face painting table for the kids.
- We took part in Nation Night Out in Richfield Twp. We brought our Fire Safety Trailer; the Drone, and we had a face painting table.
- We completed our annual State Inspection for EMS with no issues.
- We attended the Kids Block Party downtown Roscommon.
- Josh Sanford attended a Car seat safety event at Ogemaw County Fair.
- Taught at Markey Twp. Fire/EMS a Bloodborne Pathogens/Infectious Disease Class.
- Asst. Chief Rodgers and Capt. Wooten assisted a resident in helping get an elderly dog in the car to take downstate.
- CTE is back in session, this year we will be teaching Fire and EMS skills in the Public Safety Class.
- Josh Sanford assisted with 3 total car seat/booster seat installs this month.

- Schools back in session so we are back to staffing the Roscommon Varsity Football games with EMS standby.

Committees & Meetings Attended

- Chief Gilliam attended the Budget Hearing and Monthly Board Meeting
- Asst. Chief Rodgers attended the Monthly Work Session.
- Chief Gilliam sat in an EMS/MC billing Webinar.
- Chief Gilliam and Asst. Chief Rodgers attended the Roscommon County Fire Association meeting and the Roscommon County Fire Chiefs Meeting
- Chief Gilliam attended the Roscommon County AVI Meeting.
- Chief Gilliam attended the Roscommon County Dispatch Technical Committee Meeting.
- Donnie Burkett and Chief Gilliam attended the Roscommon County RTF Meeting.
- All the Full-Time employees attended an FT staff meeting.
- Capt. Wooten attended a meeting on the CTE program for the year.
- Capt. Wooten sat in on a Medical Control Advisory and protocol review meeting.

Significant Events

- Our annual hose and ladder testing was completed.
- EMS State Inspection complete
- Our Auto Aid for structure fires is complete and set up with dispatch.
- We replaced booster seats for a family after being involved in a car accident.
- We have received quite a bit of recognition from residents this month, with thank you cards and snacks.

Upcoming Events

- SCBA Annual Inspections are taking place in the first week of September.
- September 11th we will be taking part in the 9/11 ceremony downtown Roscommon in front of the County Building
- We will be staffing an Ambulance at the Soccer fields this year to provide first aid during the Special Olympics Soccer Event on September 13th.
- Firemen's Memorial Weekend is coming up. The Memorial service will be on September 20th at 9:00am. Wesley Eldred's name will be on the wall; members of the Department will be there along with his friends and family.

- 232 will be going in for repair from the deer damage at the end of the month and will be out of service for about a week.
- Special Needs Awareness Training (County-wide effort with MiREMS, REM, COOR) is coming October 11th.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kristi Gilliam, Chief