

# ***Havelock Belmont Methuen Fire/Emergency Services***



## **2023 Annual Report**

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# GOAL STATEMENT and MISSION STATEMENT

The Goal Statement and Mission Statement of the Department is to provide, subject to funding limitations, a reasonable level of fire protection services within a reasonable response time through a range of programs designed to protect the lives and property of the inhabitants from the adverse effects of fires, sudden medical emergencies or exposure to dangerous conditions created by man or nature; first to their municipality; second, to those municipalities requiring assistance through authorized emergency fire service plan and program (mutual aid) activities; and third, to those municipalities which are provided fire protection by the Department via authorized agreement.

## Station Locations

### **Station One** 7 King St., W. Havelock

Station One has the Fire Chief's office and administration area, a training room and apparatus floor large enough to house four (4) Emergency vehicles.

### **Station Two** 3360 County Rd 48 Cordova Mines

Station Two has a training room/office area, apparatus floor large enough for two (2) emergency vehicles.



# Organization Chart

Fire Chief

Deputy Fire Chief

## **Station # 1 Havelock**

## **Station # 2 Cordova**

Captain

Captain

Captain

Lieutenant

Lieutenant

Lieutenant

up to 10 Firefighters

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# Members & Years of Services

## Officers

Capt. Marc Finlay	28 Years
Capt. Brad Falls	26 Years
Lt. Kevin Holt	25 Years

## Firefighters

Matt Haines	14 Years	Dane Bauer	5 Years
Allister Woodburn	14 Years	Tyler Rushlow	5 Years
Kalven Pressick	12 Years	Evan King	5 Years
Chris Davis	9 Years	Jake Finlay	4 Year
Dylan Finlay	7 Years	Shannon Scriver	4 Year
Ryan Hebor	7 Years	Amanda Maloney	2 Year
Devin Gerow	7 Years	Sheldon Chaulk	2 Year
Phil Green	7 Years	Shawn O'Rafferty	2 Year
Dave Maloney	6 Years	Trish Sotiriadis	Started
Pat Cassidy	5 Years	Matt Keating	Started

# Achievements, Goals & Training

## Achievements

The graduation of four (4) members from the Eastern Ontario Emergency Training Academy, receiving their NFPA Firefighter 1 & 2 Certificate.

Also, these four (4) members completed the Ontario Fire College NFPA 1072 Hazardous Materials Awareness level and the NFPA 1072 Hazardous Materials Operations level.

- Amanda Maloney, Chris Davis, Sheldon Chaulk & Shawn O'Rafferty

In the late fall of 2023, the Department hire a part-time Deputy Fire Chief, Evan King

Hiring of Two (2) new Recruits in the spring of 2023.

- Matt Keating and Tish Sotiriadis

Havelock-Belmont-Methuen Fire Department received a \$5000.00 dollar through Enbridge Gas and Safe Community Project, this grant was used for the purchase of training material and supplies.

In early December the purchase of a new 2022 Ford F550 mini-pumper to replace the 2005 Ford F550 at Station Two.

## Goals

We are planning to recruit volunteer firefighters in 2024 to fill vacant positions on the Department.

Involvement in Community events for 2024, pancake breakfasts, Celebrate Havelock, Canada Day Celebrations

Up grading the Training Room at Station One, a new large smart TV for training, wall unit, tables, flooring and paint.

We are striving to continue to improve the training and Standard Operating Guidelines (SOG) for various emergency situations. Staff endeavours to meet Firefighters' needs for specialized training as required.

Continue to improve Fire Safety and Fire Prevention in the Stations and the Community.

## Training

Training nights are typically the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month. The training commences at 7 pm and is approximately 2 hours. Some of the special training takes place on weekends to accommodate time and work schedules.

The Fire Department Officers meet on the first Wednesday of each month when possible.

The Havelock-Belmont-Methuen Fire/Emergency Services conducts in-house training centered on a number of topics from pumper operations, auto extrication, wild land fires, fire suppression, ladder use, etc. There is specialized training including first aid, chainsaw operation, traffic control, defensive driving, Ice/Water rescue, health & safety and other courses that our department performs in our regular schedule.



# Fire Prevention/Emergency Preparedness

## Fire Prevention

Fire Inspections in 2023 continued throughout the year, by appointment and complaint.

Fire Inspections are performed for new construction activity, Fire & Life Safety on existing commercial buildings to ensure adequate life-safety provisions are maintained in accordance with adopted fire codes and standards. Inspections focus on building occupancy, exiting, fire alarm and fire suppression systems, maintenance of fire-resistive construction, and fire department access.

The regular events the Fire Department hosts or attends includes Celebrate Havelock (May), Canada Day and the annual pancake breakfasts (June and July) and Fire Prevention Week (October). These events are an opportunity to give information about equipment and the services that we offer.



## Tanker Shuttle

The Havelock Belmont Methuen Fire & Emergency Services continue to practice the Superior Tanker Shuttle Service Accreditation

In the fall of 2008, the Havelock-Belmont-Methuen Fire & Emergency Services acquired the Superior Tanker Shuttle Service Accreditation from the Fire Underwriters of Ontario, this expires every five (5) years.

On October 15, 2023 the Department re-tested for this Accreditation with Fire Protection Services, exceeding the minimum water flow required for residential protection. As a result, the residents may apply for a lower rate through their insurance companies for their home and cottage insurance.

The flow achieved was 405 IGPM or 1867 LPM.

This Certificate can be obtained from the Township's website.

A recertification will be required in the fall of 2028.

## **Emergency Preparedness**

We continue to up-date and train on the Emergency Plan for the Township.

The annual emergency training exercise was December 12, 2023, at the HBM Council Chambers.

Emergency Management is comprised of four distinct but intertwining phases: Mitigation, Preparedness, Response and Recovery.

- Mitigation deals with taking corrective measures to ensure that an area of potential risk is identified, and those measures are taken in order to reduce or eliminate the risk and potential impact on the community.
- Preparedness activities can help ensure that appropriately trained staff and other resources are identified and available to respond.
- Response phase involves the community's actions to deal with a current risk.
- Recovery phase involves the efforts of the community and residents to return to normal.

The responsibility for the health and welfare of the municipal resident's rests with the elected officials of a municipal government. Every municipality must be prepared, to the extent of its own capabilities, to meet the threats that may arise from an emergency. Therefore Havelock-Belmont-Methuen Fire and Emergency Services will continue to ensure the creation of an effective emergency management plan and continue to train staff and council. We will ensure the plan is maintained and exercised annually, conduct public awareness and education programs and provide leadership and direction during an emergency situation.

It is also the responsibility of the residents to take reasonable precautions to ensure safety and protection of their families and property. This can be through measures such as preventative flood-proofing of homes and properties, preparation of a 72-hour emergency kit in each residence and pre-planning for emergency situations in each household.



## Calls for Service

The Havelock-Belmont-Methuen Fire and Emergency Services responded to 464 incidents in 2023. This is an average in calls for service over the past three years. Below are the recent historical call numbers:

- 2022 – 426
- 2021 – 432
- 2020 – 468

Break down of Incidents 2023;

- **23** fires – includes structure, vehicle, grass, forest, etc.
- **21** vehicle collisions including off road vehicles.
- **75** other incidents - hydro lines down, smoke or CO alarms, false alarms, burning complaints, lift assists, etc.
- **291** medical related incidents
- **54** Agreement response, Auto Aid agreements with Douro-Dummer and Marmora & Lake, Fire Protection Agreements between North Kawartha and Trent Hills



# Apparatus

## Station One

- Rescue 1: 2012 Ford F550 4X4 Rescue/Command

- Responds to all fires
- vehicle accidents
- medicals
- water/ice rescues
- hazmat incidents



- Rescue 3: 2016 Ford F-150 4X4 Crew Cab, Medical/Forestry

- Responds to all medical related incidents
- All grass/forest fires



- Pump 1: 2010 International DuraStar, 1250 gpm pump with 1500 gallon tanker

- Responds to structure fires
- hazmat incidents
- vehicle accidents if needed



- Tanker 1: 2009 International DuraStar, 500 gpm pump with 1500 gallon tanker

- Responds to all fires
- vehicle accidents



## **Station Two**

- Rescue 2: 2022 Ford F550 4X4 Crew Cab, 1250 gpm pump with 300 gallon tank, Medical/Pumper

- Responds to all types of fires
- vehicle accidents
- ice/water rescues
- all medical related incidents
- hazmat incidents



- Tanker 2: 2009 International DuraStar, 400 gpm pump with 1500 gallon tanker

- Responds to all fires
- vehicle accidents
- hazmat incidents



### Car 1: 2020 Dodge 1500 4X4 Crew Cab

- All emergency incidents
- oxygen and AED incidents



### Car 2: 2013 Ford F150 4X4 Crew Cab

- All emergency incidents

