

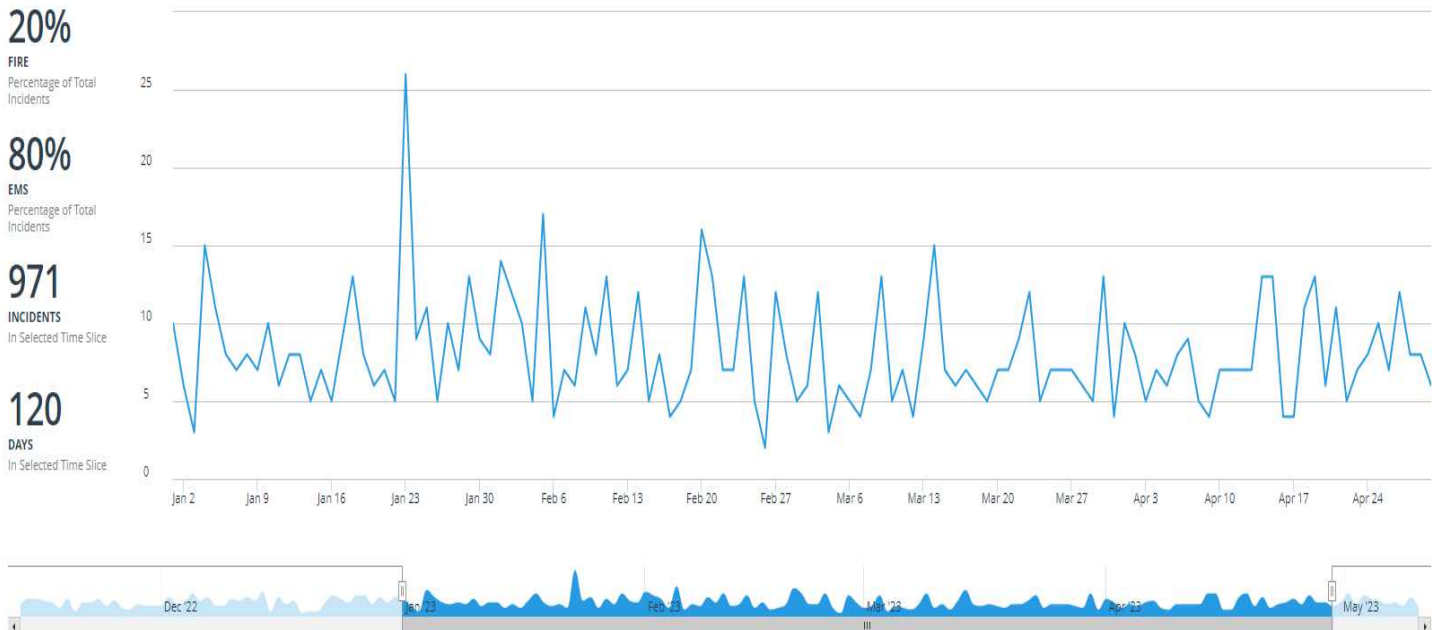


The Extinguisher



**DEPARTMENT
UPDATES
04/28/23-05/12/23**

At the completion of the first four months of the calendar year 2023, our call volume continues to be high. We responded to a total of 971 calls for service, in that same time period in 2022, we responded to a total of 889. This represents a 9% increase in volume in the first 1/3 of the year. Great work by the entire department keeping up with staffing and call backs so that we can get the appropriate response to these calls.



The department has recently revised our alarm cards to reflect the need for added response to structure fires. We have added a new term called automatic aid. With this, we get our mutual aid working fire response moving with the 911 call rather than waiting until someone arrives on scene to confirm. You will see that our mutual aid partners are also starting to adopt this concept as well since it only makes

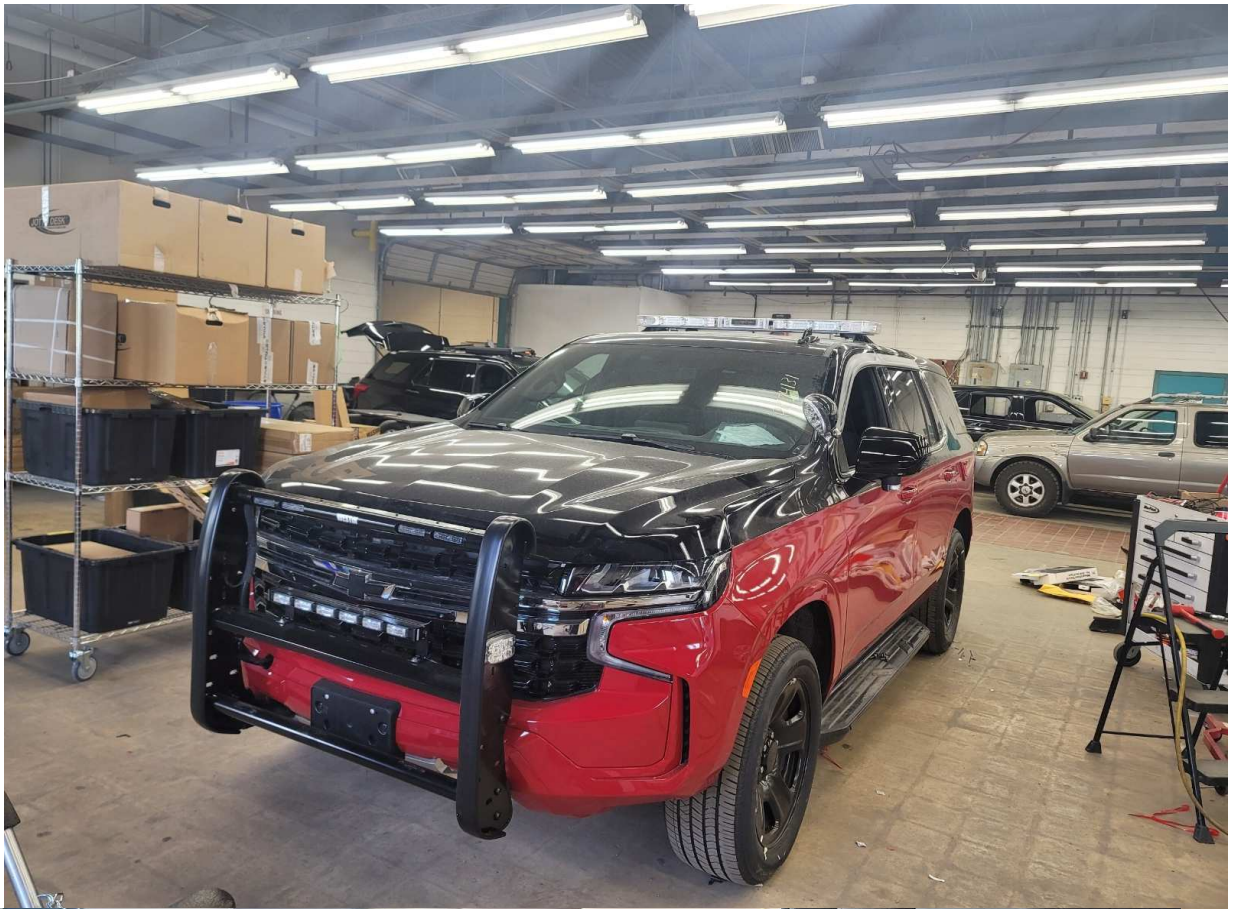
sense. These cards will replace the current ones shortly. Thank you to Captain Poznanski for putting in the hard work to update the cards and work on this new concept.

Holden Fire Department - 10-Alarm Card- Revised: 1/11/2023												
TOWN WIDE STRUCTURE FIRE CARD												
TO FIRE								COVERAGE				
ALARM	ENGINES			LADDER	RIT	SPECIAL	OTHER		ENGINES	LADDER	SPECIAL	
1	Engine 1	Engine 2	Engine 4	Tower 1.					Stat 2	HQ	HQ	HQ
WF	W. Boylston	Rutland		Sterling	Paxton Ladder		CERT	Holden Ambulance	Boylston	Leicester	Worcester	Leicester EMS
2	Worcester	Leicester	Boylston	Worcester			Box 4	Leicester EMS	Auburn	Barre	Princeton	Spencer EMS
3	Auburn	Barre					D7 Radio Comms Unit		Shrewsbury	Hubbardston		
4	Shrewsbury	Hubbardston		Millbury	Princeton Ladder		Rehab		Leominster	Clinton		
5	Leominster	Clinton							Lancaster	Spencer		
6	Lancaster	Spencer							Fitchburg	Gardner		
7	Fitchburg	Gardner		Northboro	Northboro				Devens	Westminster		
8	Devens	Westminster							Westboro	Lunenburg		
9	Westboro	Lunenburg							Sutton	Bolton		
10	Activate	Statewide	Mobilization	Plan								
SPECIAL CALL RESOURCES												
Non-Hydrant District Tanker Response				AMBULANCES		OTHER		IMPORTANT INFO				
W/F TANKERS	2nd ALARM TANKERS			Leicester EMS		HMLD on W/F		Direct to Scene-Dual Function Ladder or RIT				
Rutland	Boylston			Spencer EMS		DPW Water/Sewer on 2nd		Spencer EMS to provide town coverage from 2nd Alarm forward. If the coverage ambulance transports, backfill with M/A ambulance from list.				
Princeton	Oakham			Hubbardston EMS		D8 FIU						
Paxton	Hubbardston			Auburn EMS		State Fire Marshal						
Barre	Westminster			Worcester EMS		D8 Tech Rescue						
								***Upon report of structure fire, the highlighted red will be called immediately after Holden dispatch, the remainder of the W/F line will be fill once confirmed				

Reminder for town residents, the Annual Town Meeting is on Monday 5/15 at 19:00. Location is in the WRHS auditorium.

Vehicles

- 1. Car 3 – McGovern continues to work on the upfit of the vehicle, hopefully lettering next week.**





Training

- 1. We have scheduled the following MFA courses to be held here at HFD: 6/10 MTU trailer, 9/16 Cancer awareness, 10/21 Flashover, 12/16 NFPA Electric vehicle safety. Once these classes become available in the LMS system, Captain Pierce will notify everyone. Thank you to the Captain for setting up these classes through the academy.**

Stations

- 1. HQ - DPW is aware of the lights out in different locations of the station, just waiting on ballasts and the electrician to replace them.**
- 2. Station 2 –**
 - a. Leahy excavating was awarded the contract to remove the UST's from the old fuel island. We are looking at possibly 5/26 as a start date.**

b. A camera system has been installed by HMLD to monitor the building since it is vacant at night. We are adding cameras to the upstairs areas inside and out. The plan will be to add an additional camera to overlook the apparatus bays in the new fiscal year. This will allow us to make sure our equipment is secure.