



CAMDEN FIRE & RESCUE

FY24 BUDGET OVERVIEW

2022 Incident Response Volume

Fires **24** (6.27%)

Rescue & Emergency Medical Service **64** (16.71%)

Hazardous Condition (No Fire) **26** (6.79%)

Service Call **49** (12.79%)

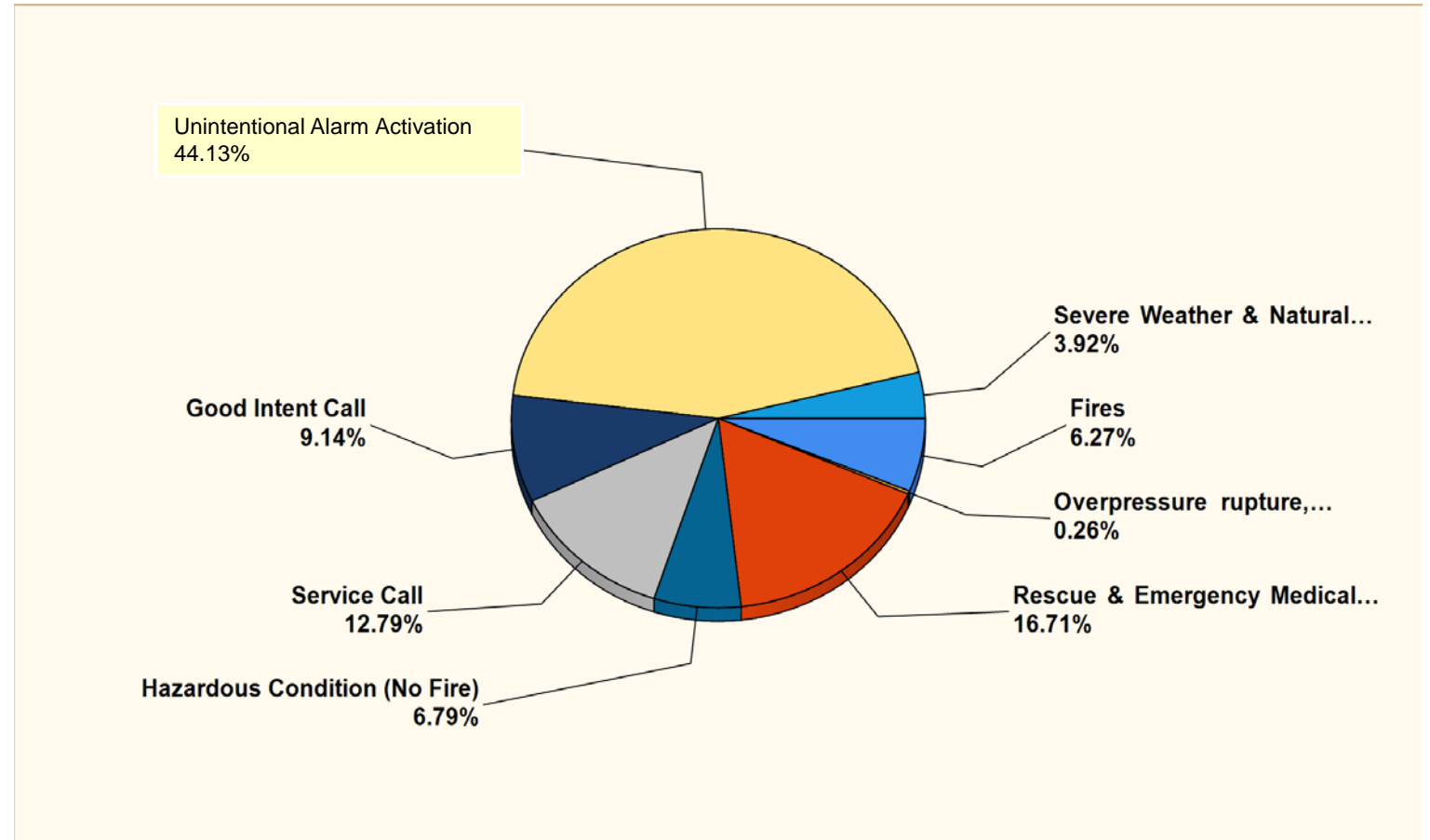
Good Intent Call **35** (9.14%)

Unintentional Alarm Activation **169** (44.13%)

Severe Weather & Natural Disaster **15** (3.92%)

Special Incident type **1** (0.26%)

Total **383** (100%)



2018 Incidents - 387
2019 Incidents - 339
2020 Incidents - 300
2021 Incidents - 346
2022 Incidents - 383

2022 Incidents by day of the week

DAY OF THE WEEK # INCIDENTS

Sunday 40

Monday 60

Tuesday 33

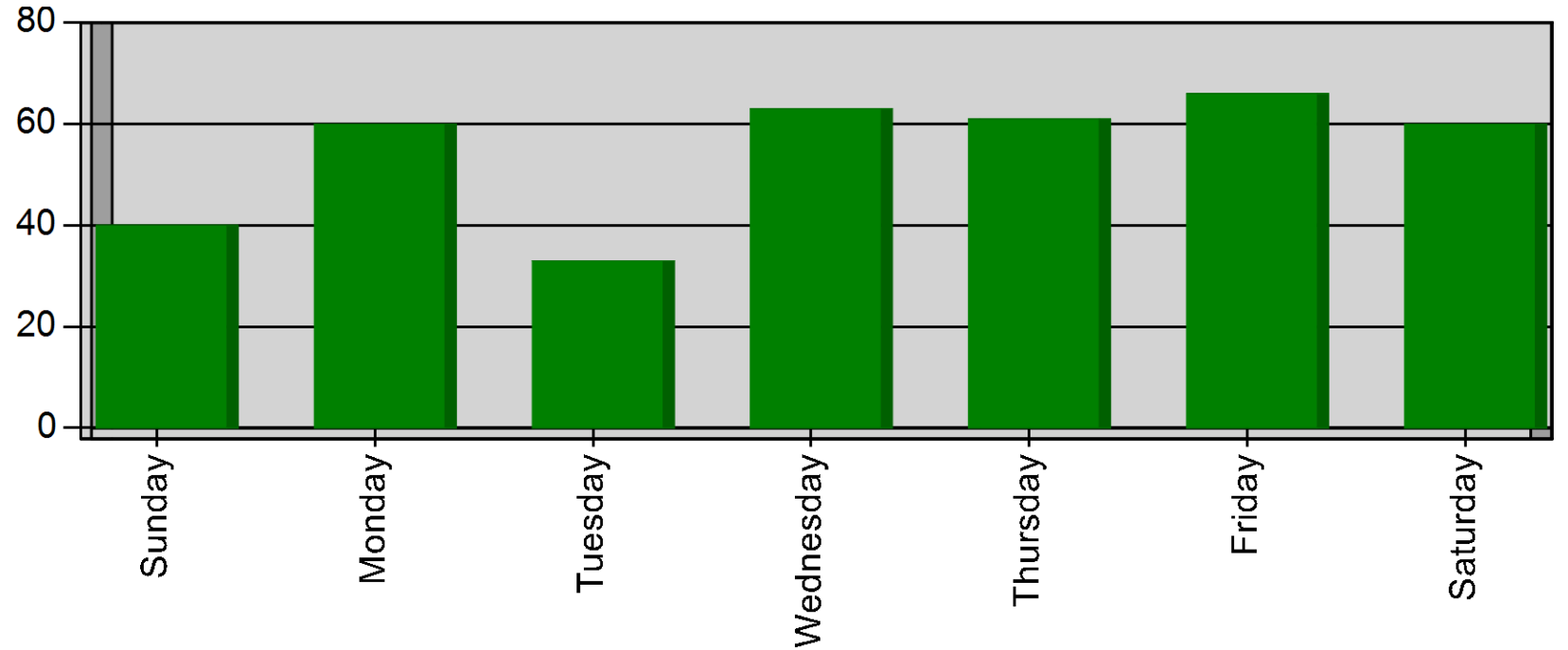
Wednesday 63

Thursday 61

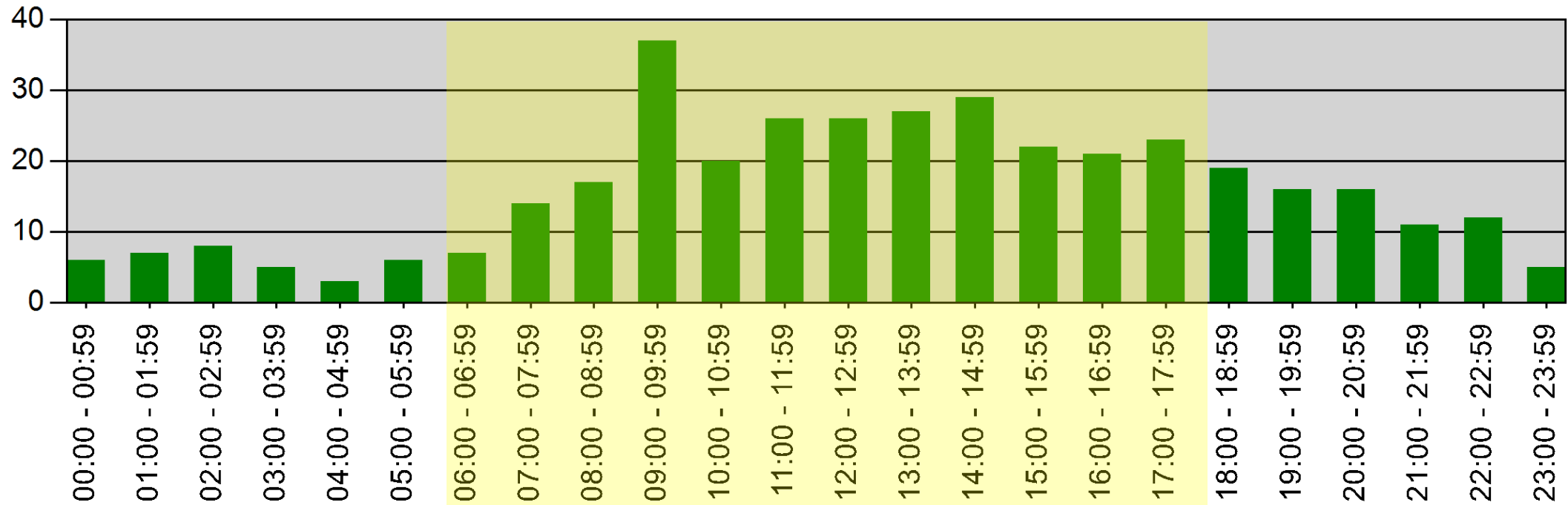
Friday 66

Saturday 60

TOTAL 383



2022 Incidents by hour of the day



Currently the Department is staffed from 6am to 6pm with 2 personnel.

Significant event of the year

CFD Incident #2022-076 and #2022-077

Thursday, March 24, 2022 at 328am and

Friday, March 25, 2022 at 725am

28 Pierce Street, Belfast

Dispatched by Knox Regional
Communications Center to a commercial
building fire.

Assisted Belfast Fire & multiple Waldo
County fire departments

Rockport Fire provided coverage for
Camden while we were in Belfast.



Fire Department staffing

- Personnel - we are a combination department with full-time and part-time staff
 - (4) career personnel - Chief, Assistant Chief and 2 Firefighters
 - Career personnel are also certified Code Enforcement Officer or licensed Emergency Medical Service providers
 - We strive to maintain (2) on duty during the daytime hours of 6am to 6pm.
 - There are no personnel in the station overnight.
 - (17) Part-time, on-call Firefighters
 - We have adjusted hourly wages in the on-call line to reflect wages in similar communities and to implement a minimum hourly rate per incident
 - In 2008 this line was \$80,000. It had been steadily reduced reflecting fewer Firefighters responding to incidents.
 - The numbers of part-time, on-call Firefighters has dwindled in recent years
 - We are proposing in the EMS portion to provide a stipend for overnight "on-call" pay

Key Items in the Fire Department budget

- ❑ Increasing the part-time line to provide daytime coverage for career shifts
- ❑ Implementing recommendations from EMS Review
- ❑ Emergency Medical first responder program is in process of being licensed by the state
- ❑ Increased maintenance attributed to a Preventive Maintenance program aimed at extending the service life of apparatus
 - ❑ Need to repair the tank cradle for Engine 5 (a 1995 truck)
 - ❑ Current replacement cost estimate is \$800,000.00 and 2 years
 - ❑ Ladder truck is a 1997. Current replacement cost estimate is \$1,250,000.00 and 2 years
- ❑ Review the needs of the public safety building for all 3 services; Police, Fire & EMS
 - ❑ Review space needs for modifications & renovations
 - ❑ Equipment storage, bathroom facilities, overnight accommodations for Fire & EMS

FY23 Accomplishments

- Replaced Engine 6 with a new apparatus
- Replaced the pickup with the Ford Lightning (all electric)
- Developed a Preventive Maintenance program & budget for all apparatus
- Implementation of Non-Transporting Emergency Medical First Response Program
 - On-going Educational process for the program and personnel
 - Hopeful to implement the recommendation to include personnel from the 4 towns



The past meeting the future

Fire Chief Alan Payson started an emergency medical services response program in the 1940s. The Department is back to fulfilling aspects of that service.

Continuing to work with Camden Hills State Park staff and Coastal Mountain Search & Rescue to fulfill needs in the outdoor recreational areas.

Working with State Park staff on grants to obtain UTV and equipment to use in the Park.

This collaborative effort is transferable to the Ragged Mountain Recreation area.



Planning for the future

Working with the Police Department to review the needs & function of the existing public safety building.

Working with our Mutual Aid partners to continue implementing recommendations from the EMS review.

Working with all Fire & EMS agencies in Knox County to review our current status and provide recommendations moving forward.



Questions and Comments

