

Lowell Area Fire and  
Emergency Services Authority  
Lowell Area Fire Department, 315 S. Hudson St. Lowell, MI 49331  
616-897-7354



Wednesday, May 03, 2023

LOWELL AREA FIRE AND EMERGENCY  
SERVICES AUTHORITY

**CANCELED MEETING NOTICE**

Thursday May 11, 2023

AT

LOWELL FIRE DEPARTMENT

315 S. HUDSON

LOWELL, MI 49331



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Tuesday May 2, 2023

Fire Authority Board:

We responded to 83 total incidents for the month of April. Totaling 343 call to date in 2023, placing us with an increase of 13 calls for service over 2022 to date. April 2023 included an assist on a fire in Saranac.

Our Honor Guard had the honor of assisting the Hastings Fire Department and the family of Chief Caris at the Funeral for the Chief. Chief Caris served the Hastings Fire Department for 49 years, 40 as the Chief. Our team worked with members of Honor Guards from multiple counties around the area.

We recently received our ISO report from the audit last year. This report looks at water supply, training, services records, communications, and responses. This audit is performed every 5 years, and takes a great amount of data to complete. The scoring for ISO is a 10 – 1 scale with 10 being poor and 1 being the best score. Our score in 2018 was a 6/6Y, I am pleased to inform that with all of the hard work our team, the team at the DPW, and the team at Communications center has lowered our score to a 4/4y and within 2.25 point of being a 3.

Annual DOT inspections have been completed on the vehicles with now major issues. SCBA fit testing was also completed.

Crews took part in live fire training with Cascade Fire at the Thornapple fire training center in Berry County. This is an invaluable opportunity to train under real world conditions. We will be taking part in a live fire house burn with Belding later this year.

The three LAFD Chiefs and Captain Hults attended FDIC 2023. The Chiefs were invited to serve as Safety Officers for the hands on training classes on Monday and Tuesday then the four of us attended lecture courses the remainder of the week as well as toured the exhibits. This was a great opportunity to listen to speakers from around the country and network with firefighters from around the world.

We had an issue with the water heater during the pancake breakfast. We had Canfield come into look the issue and was informed the heater needed to be replaced. We were given a quote of \$5,000.00 to replace the unit. Through a connection at Bradford White in Middleville we were able to get a unit donated including installation. The new unit is installed and working great.

Please feel free to contact me at (616) 840-1422 with any questions or concerns.

Respectfully, Shannon Witherell

Fire Chief, Lowell Area Fire Dept.



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## Breakdown by Incident Type

Report Period: 04/01/23 - 04/30/23 23:59:59

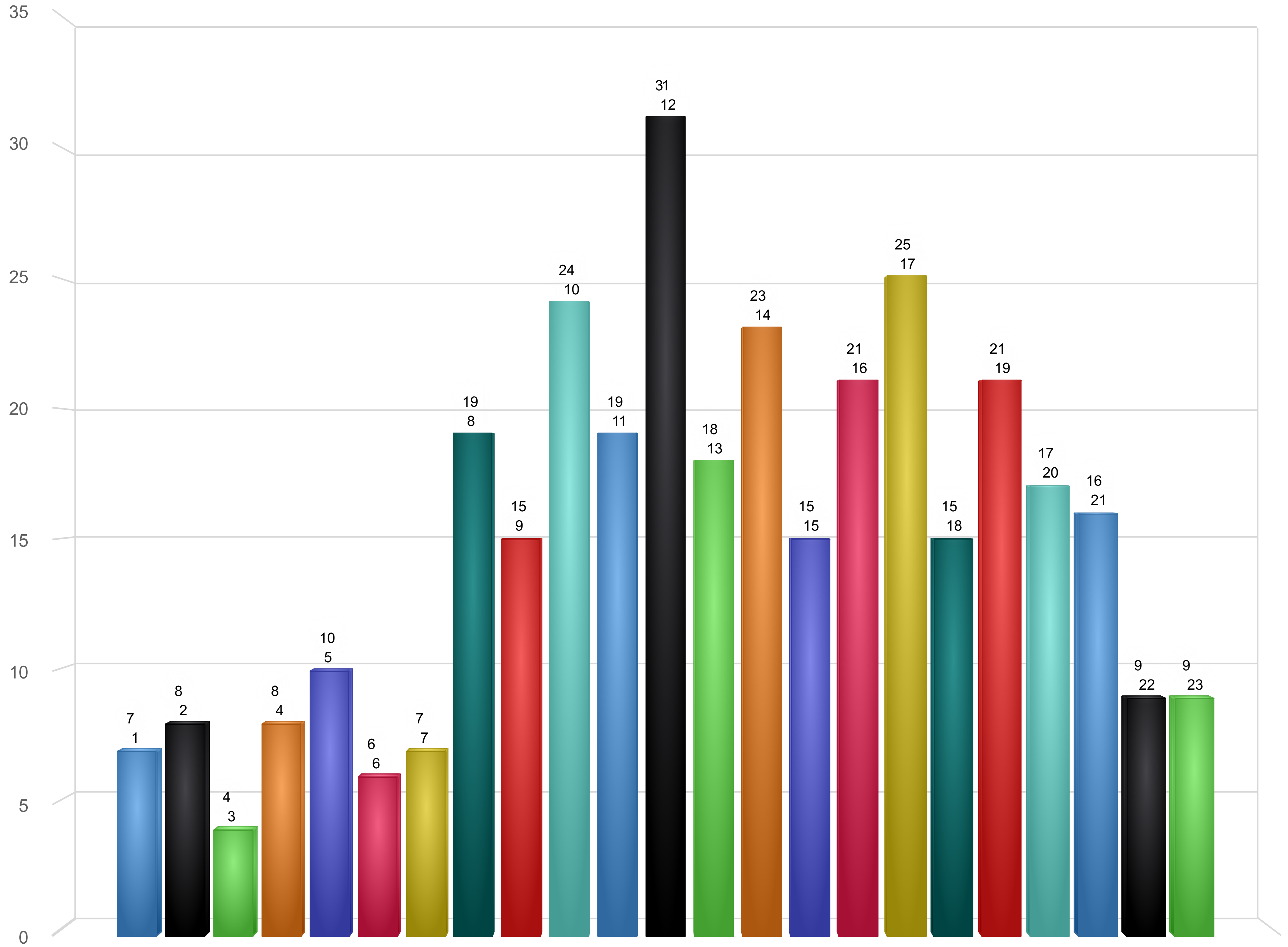
Incident Type	Incidents	Exposures
321 EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with injury	57	0
611 Dispatched & canceled en route	6	0
311 Medical assist, assist EMS crew	5	0
320 Emergency medical service incident, other	2	0
142 Brush or brush-and-grass mixture fire	2	0
324 Motor vehicle accident with no injuries.	2	0
745 Alarm system activation, no fire - unintentional	2	0
814 Lightning strike (no fire)	1	0
651 Smoke scare, odor of smoke	1	0
733 Smoke detector activation due to malfunction	1	0
111 Building fire	1	0
511 Lock-out	1	0
561 Unauthorized burning	1	0
300 Rescue, EMS incident, other	1	0

	Incidents	Exposures
<b>Total</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>0</b>

# Incidents By Hour of Day

01/01/2023-12/31/2023

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6
- 7
- 8
- 9
- 10
- 11
- 12
- 13
- 14
- 15
- 16
- 17
- 18
- 19
- 20
- 21
- 22
- 23



Incident Count

Total of Hour: 347

Incidents by Zone			
Filter: Incident.Date Filters Year is equal to 2023			
Zone	Main Incident Type Code	Main Incident Type	Incident Number Count
City of Lowell	3	Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident	27
City of Lowell	5	Service Call	1
City of Lowell	6	Good Intent Call	1
City of Lowell	7	False Alarm & False Call	1
Lowell Township	1	Fire	2
Lowell Township	3	Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident	34
Lowell Township	6	Good Intent Call	3
Lowell Township	7	False Alarm & False Call	2
Lowell Township	8	Severe Weather & Natural Disaster	1
Saranac	1	Fire	1
Vergennes Township	3	Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident	6
Vergennes Township	5	Service Call	1
Vergennes Township	6	Good Intent Call	3

Zone	IncidentCount	ManHours
City of Lowell	30	40:14:12
Lowell Township	42	79:09:28
Saranac	1	12:26:32
Vergennes Township	10	24:50:10

