



Storm Lake Fire Department

2023 Annual Report



This report is a summary of activities of the Storm Lake Fire Department during the calendar year 2023. The Storm Lake Fire Department has an authorized strength of 30 dedicated volunteer fire fighters, 1 full time Fire Chief and 1 full time Fire Fighter.

Our fire protection district covers approximately 92 square miles that includes the cities of Storm Lake, Truesdale, and Lakeside, as well as the rural townships of Hayes, Washington, and much of Grant. After one member retired this year, we are at a current roster of 25, this includes the fulltime positions. We recruited two new firefighters in 2023.

The fire department responded to 288 fire and rescue related incidents in 2023 which is down from 293 incidents in 2022. Fire fighters received approximately 1705 hours of training. We are looking forward to successful 2024.

Glenn M. Schlessner
Fire Chief

Welcomes

We welcomed 2 New Firefighters

- Alan Coleman
- Cesar Jacuinde





Awards

Officer of the
Year

Battalion Chief
Scott Mack

Meritorious Conduct Award

Lieutenant Jason Hoffman
Lieutenant Nathan Beal
Officer Cody Cameron



Promotions



Battalion Chief Scott Mack



Captain Josh Fevold



Lieutenant Derek Hogrefe

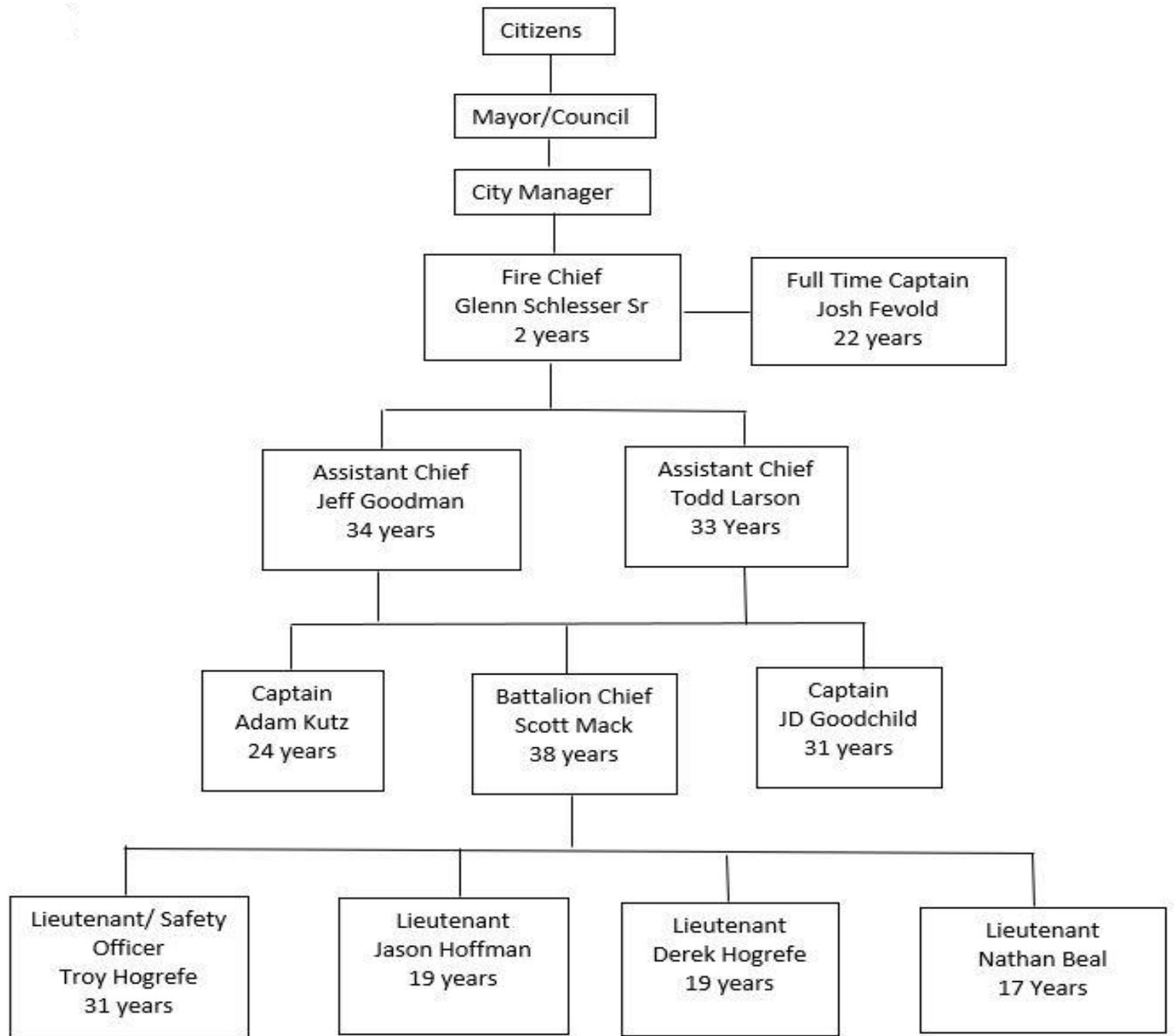


Lieutenant Nathan Beal

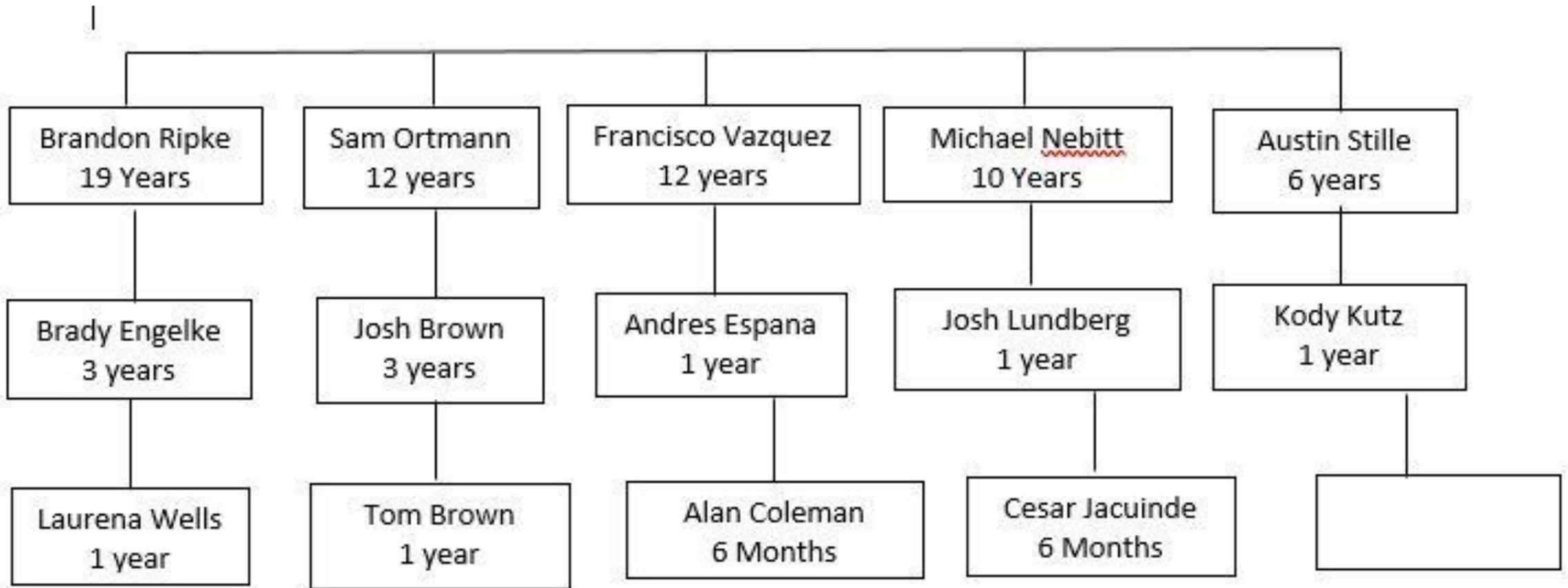


Incident Safety Officer
Troy Hogrefe

Fire Department Organizational Chart

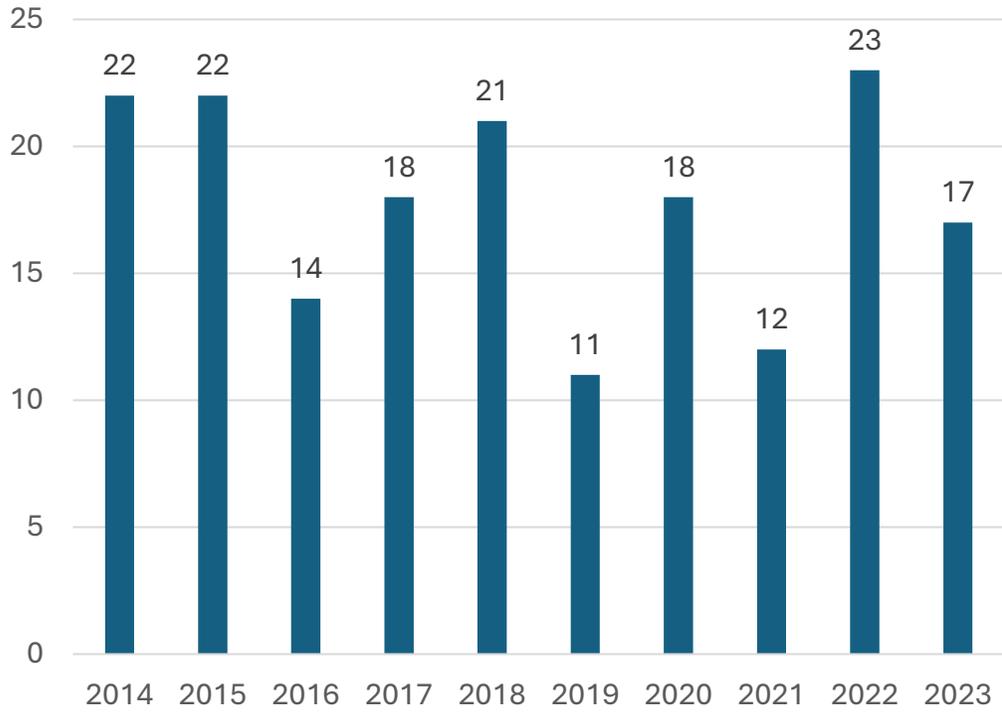


Volunteer Firefighters

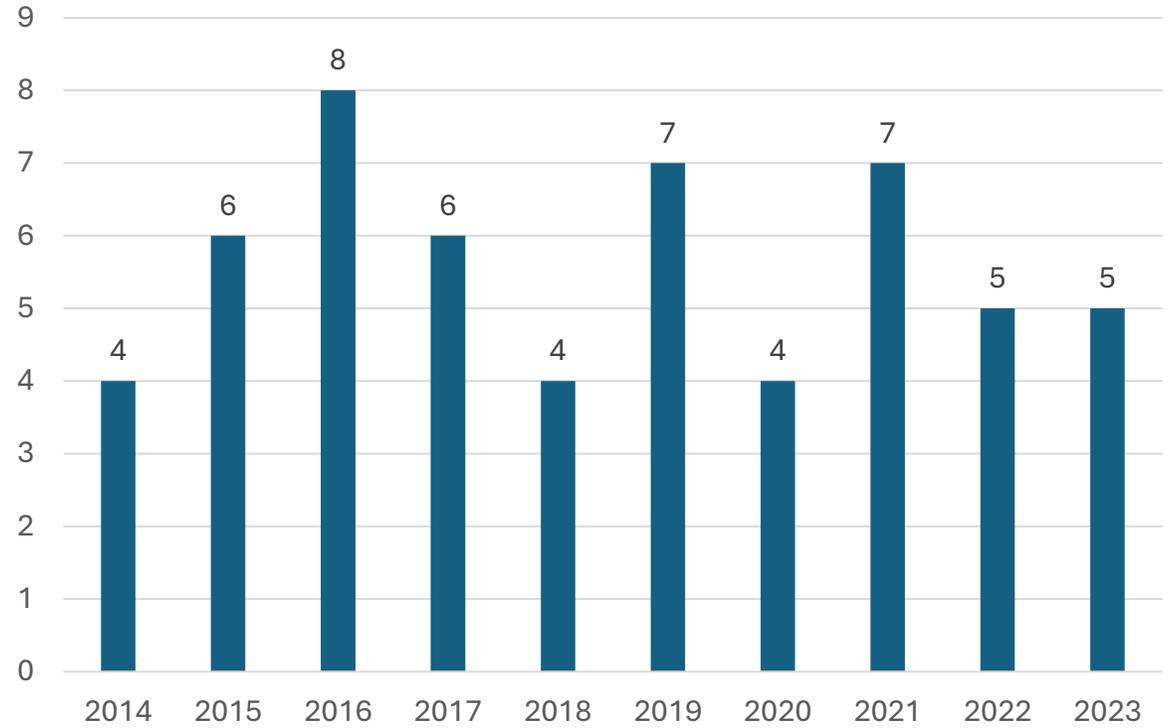


Fire Reports	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Structure Fires (Other than buildings)	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	6	3
Structure Fires (Buildings and Contents)	19	22	14	18	20	11	18	10	17	14
Gas Odor / Leak	2	7	6	8	1	4	7	7	11	10
Hazardous Material Spill	14	24	27	13	6	7	4	7	7	21
Vehicle Fire	4	6	8	6	4	7	4	7	5	5
Good Intent (smoke scares, assistance)	20	22	19	12	30	11	36	27	22	18
Rescues	3	3	5	5	4	8	3	3	27	36
Explosion (No Fire)	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
False Alarm	93	98	102	105	88	115	85	80	139	124
Rekindle	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Downed Powerlines /Transformers	6	6	4	1	0	0	0	2	3	0
Electrical Shorts/Overheating (No Fire)	6	5	9	4	6	8	3	1	4	19
Grass/Trash Fire	9	6	10	5	4	3	11	9	30	22
Carbon Monoxide Complaints	7	3	2	8	9	8	9	7	6	5
Bomb Scare	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Public Safety Stand-By	1	0	0	12	2	1	0	1	11	7
Citizen Complaint	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	1	2	4

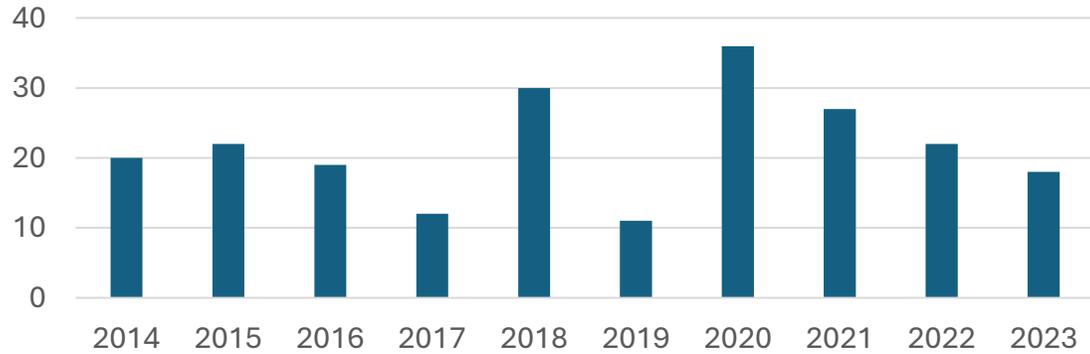
Structure Fire



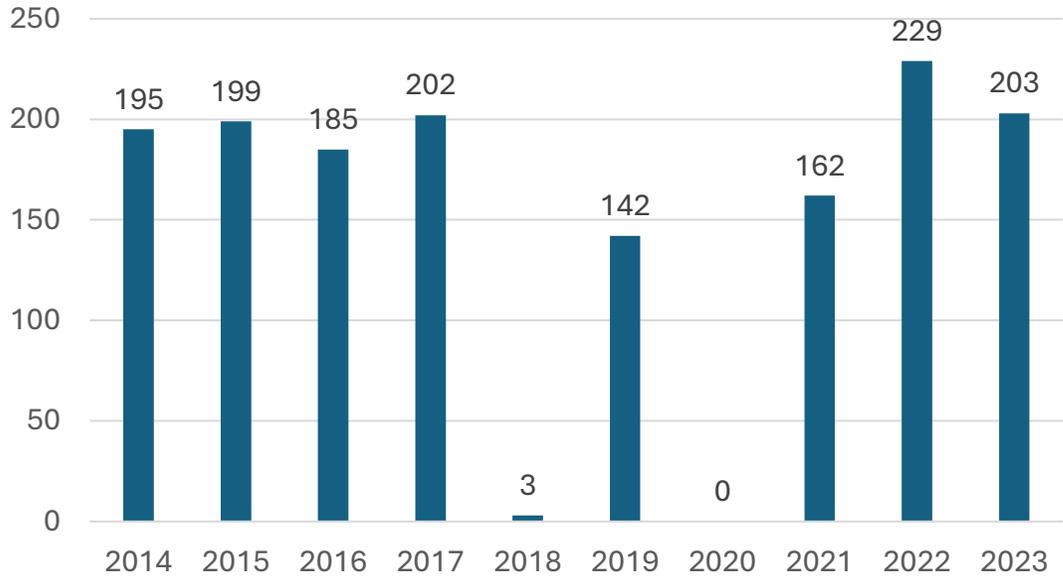
Vehicle Fire



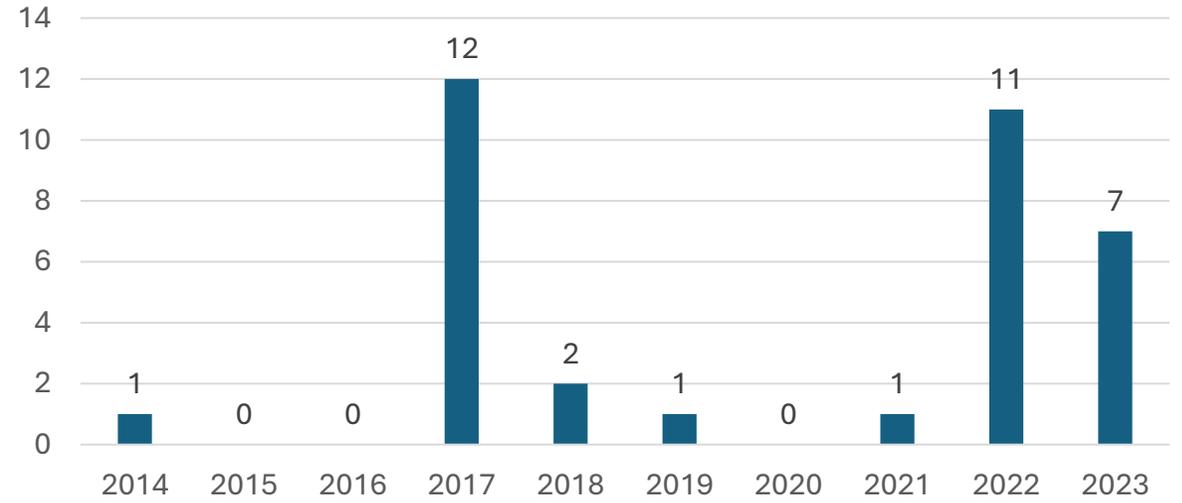
Good Intent (Smoke Scares)



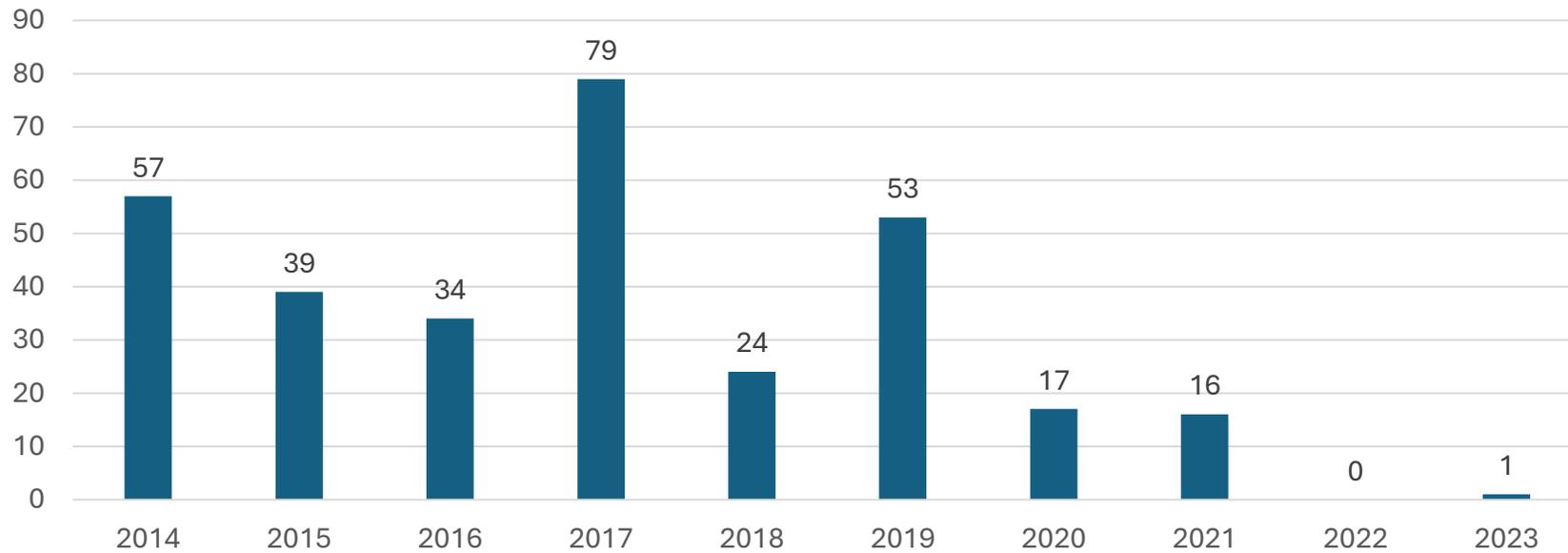
Residential Inspections



Public Safety Stand By



Follow Up Inspections



SLFD Programs

Inspections	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Residential	195	199	185	202	3	142	0	162	229	203
Follow-up	57	39	34	79	24	53	17	16	0	1
Liquor License	31	21	18	22	20	25	26	12	21	3
Daycare & School	15	5	2	1	22	1	13	3	3	3
Fire Safety Presentation/drills/PR	56	43	39	44	75	49	12	19	44	55
Fire Station Tours	8	9	17	8	3	12	3	4	6	5



Storm Lake Community Connect

Together, building a Safer Community through
Prevention, Preparedness & Response

Community Connect is a free, secure,
and easy to use platform that allows you
to share critical information about your
household that will aid first responders
and emergency response personnel
when responding.

<https://www.communityconnect.io/info/ia-stormlake>



Sound the Alarm for Seniors

Sound the Alarm for Seniors is offering free home smoke detectors for those in need.

Those who qualify:

- Age 55 and older.
- Resident of Storm Lake
- Do not have a working smoke detector

The smoke detectors being provided by the SLFD are lithium ion battery units, with a life of up to 10 years. The units are sealed with their power source included, and no battery replacement is ever required. The detector is simple to operate, activating automatically when it is attached to its mounting bracket.



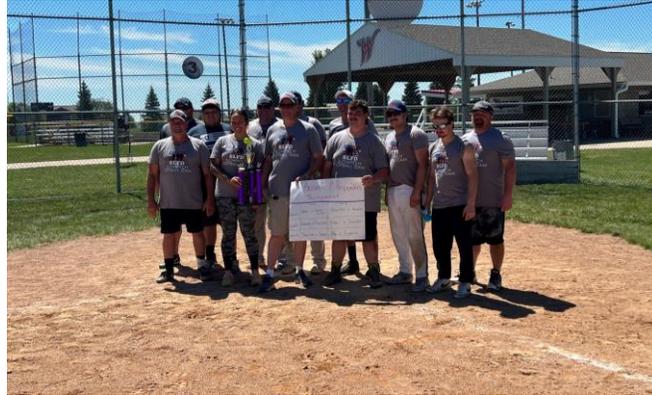


Sparky the Fire Dog

Funeral of Retired Fire Chief Ron Wilson

Served May 1, 1971 to
December 1, 1999





2023 Buena Vista County Police and Fire Softball Champions



Buena Vista County Disaster Drill



Safety Education Trailer





Training



Training



Fire Prevention Week



Kids Fest



Open House



4th of July Celebration

