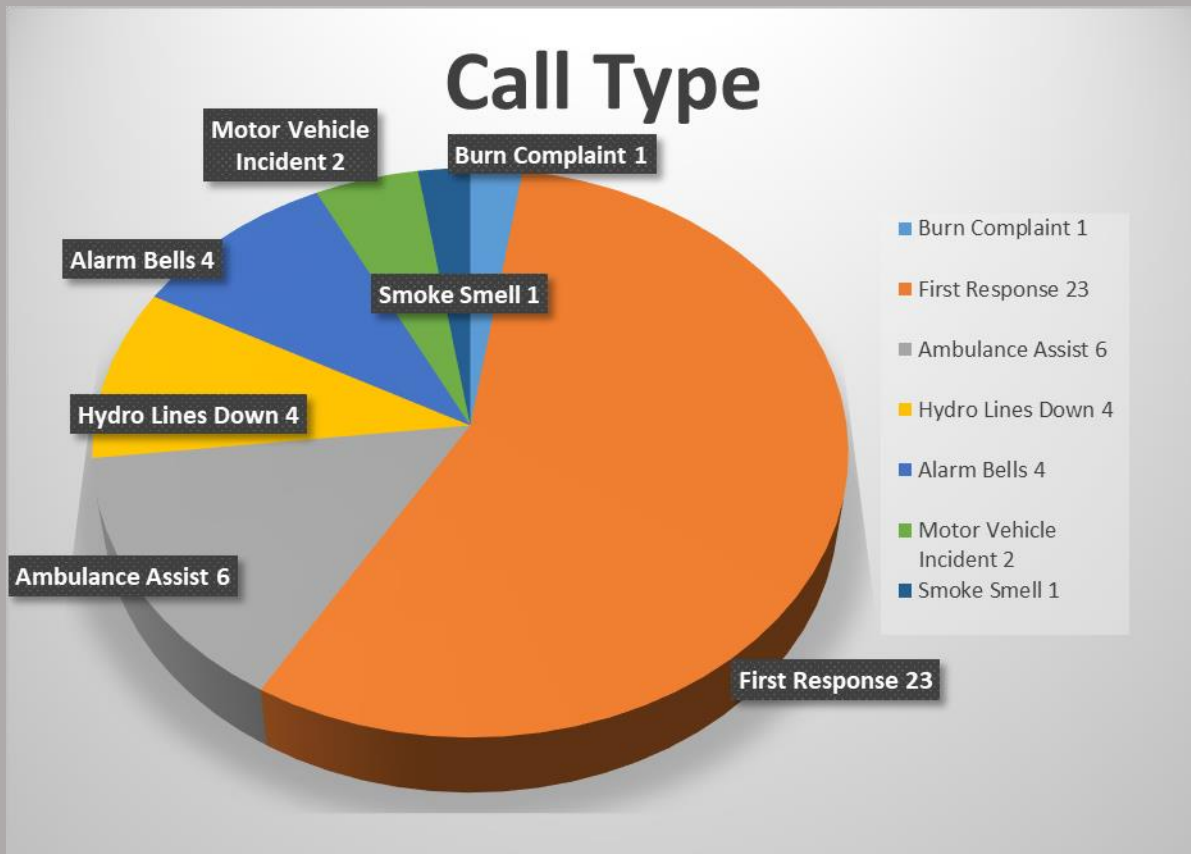


CHIEF'S REPORT

NOVEMBER / DECEMBER 2023





Annual call totals located on last page

Service Delivery

- Of note we had a serious roll over incident on Scarff Road hill. Two occupants in a small SUV went over the embankment but fortunately were not injured. PIFR responded and provided an initial assessment of the occupants and the scene and provided traffic control until the area could be cleared.

Administration

CRD

- The draft report for the governance review has been reviewed by the society and several meetings have been scheduled for follow-up in January.

Apparatus and Equipment Inspections and Maintenance

- **Nothing to report**

Training

- **We held an air brakes endorsement course in November. In order to operate our engines and tender members must have this training. It was a successful course and well attended bringing many more engineers online.**
- **Our 2023 recruits have begun their driver training to operate the rescue apparatus.**

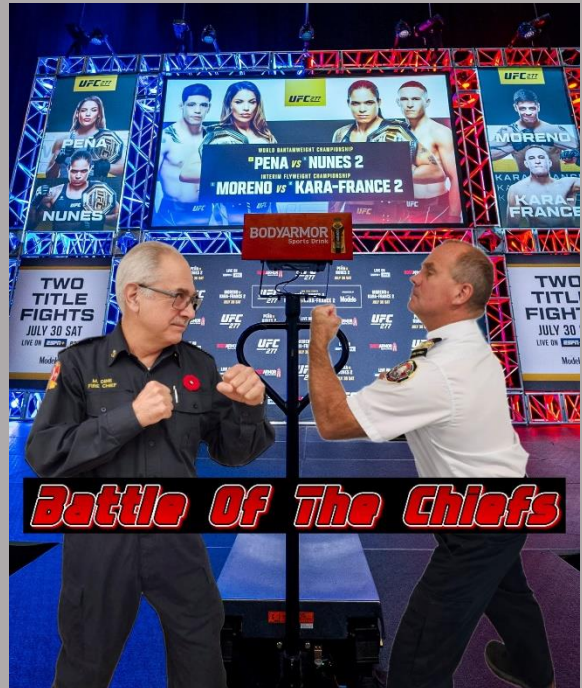
Community Risk Reduction

Commercial Inspections

- **Water Treatment Facility**
- **Plum Tree**
- **Firesmart Property Inspection**

Events / Public Education

- PIFR spent a day fundraising for the Santa Sac program. We successfully collected over \$1400. This money goes towards purchasing gifts for families and kids in need.
- We held our yearly clean-up of the cemetery. Members volunteered their time to clean walkways, remove moss and power wash in preparation for Remembrance Day.
- Movember is one of our biggest annual fundraising events. This year we pulled out all the stops. We had special guest appearances and a challenge with our neighbouring department Mayne Fire Rescue. Even the Chiefs stepped up. Thanks to the generous support from our community and friends of the department throughout Canada we successfully raised \$20,827.99 and placed #5 of all fire departments across the country



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Finance

- Pender Fire closed out the year within budget.

Capital Equipment & Facilities

Capital and Infrastructure

- The new Rosenbauer truck has now been placed into service. Members have all undergone familiarization with the new engine and a large amount of equipment has been transferred over from the retiring engine.



Personnel

Staffing

- Our recruiting drive finished in December. A prolonged campaign through social media, flyers and other print accumulated thousands of views. Although there were many applicants very few were found qualified for a firefighter position. For those successful applicants, the initial training will begin early 2024.

Submitted by,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'M. Dine', is written over a light blue rectangular background.

Fire Chief, Michael Dine

Pender Island Fire Rescue

Code Number	2023 Call Description	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Quantity
1	Structure Fire										1			1
2	Chimney Fire													0
3	Vehicle Fire			1		1								2
4	Grass Fire			1										1
5	Forest Fire								1					1
6	Burn Complaint	1	2	1	1	2			2	1	2	1		13
7	First Response	9	8	7	17	5	11	14	18	24	14	14	9	150
8	Ambulance Assist	5	3	3		3	1	3	7	2	2	5	1	35
9	RCMP Assist	1												1
10	Smoke Sighting			2	1	1	2	2						8
11	Chemical Spill													0
12	Oil Spill													0
13	Fuel Spill													0
14	Gas Leak										1			1
15	Appliance Fire													0
16	Hydro Lines Down/Incidents	2	2				4		1	1	5	1	3	19
17	Smoke Smell						1		3		1		1	6
18	Motor Vehicle Incident							1	1			1	1	4
19	Miscellaneous													0
20	Plane Crash													0
21	Search & Rescue													0
22	Alarm Bells	1	3		1		2	1	2			2	2	14
23	Public Assist / Good Samaritan	3	1		1	1		3	2	2				13
24	Rope /Embankment Rescue						1			1				2
25	Illegal Burn / Illegal Equipment Use	1				5	3	4	3	1	2			19
All	Calls to Date	23	19	15	21	18	25	28	40	32	28	24	17	290
All	Calls from Previous Year	28	29	24	15	29	30	34	24	26	34	23	19	315