

## **MISSION TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT**

The Mission Township Fire Department had 202 calls for the year. There were 126 calls in Mission Township, 60 calls in Center Township, 10 calls in Pelican Township and 6 mutual aid calls. 129 calls were EMS calls and the remainder of the calls were divided between several grass and woodland fires, structure fires, extrications from vehicle accidents, and assisting on vehicle accidents. The year proved very busy with two major weather events that left roads blocked with down trees from wind and storms in the summer then snow and ice this winter. The fire department was instrumental in clearing roads for emergency access and dealing with a downed power line. The fire department is often the first responder with residents in distress and this year completed a rescue of individuals stranded on the river. The fire department trains regularly on Tuesday nights and completes an extensive equipment checklist on a regular basis. The assurance is that everything is in working order and is where it needs to be whenever the call comes in. Bids for a complete set of turnout gear was received and accepted in the amount of \$96,777.00 with delivery within four months. A new tender 2 truck was ordered after a bidding process. The truck will be arriving hopefully next year sometime. These two major purchases were needed as the equipment is way past recommended life expectancy. Both are part of the township 5 year capital expense plan.