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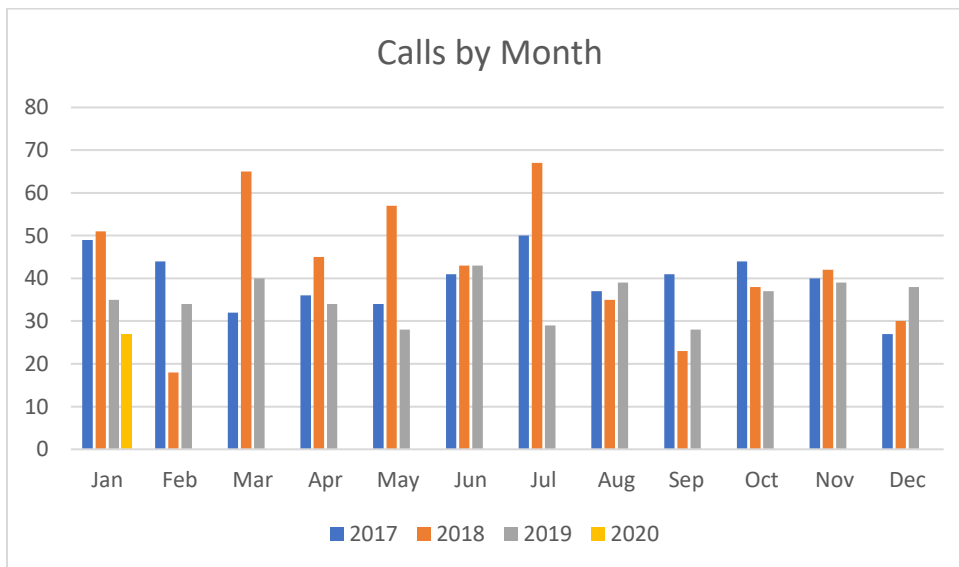
From the Desk of Don Zipp, Chief of Department

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Chestnuthill Township Supervisors
P.O. Box 243
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Dear Board of Supervisors,

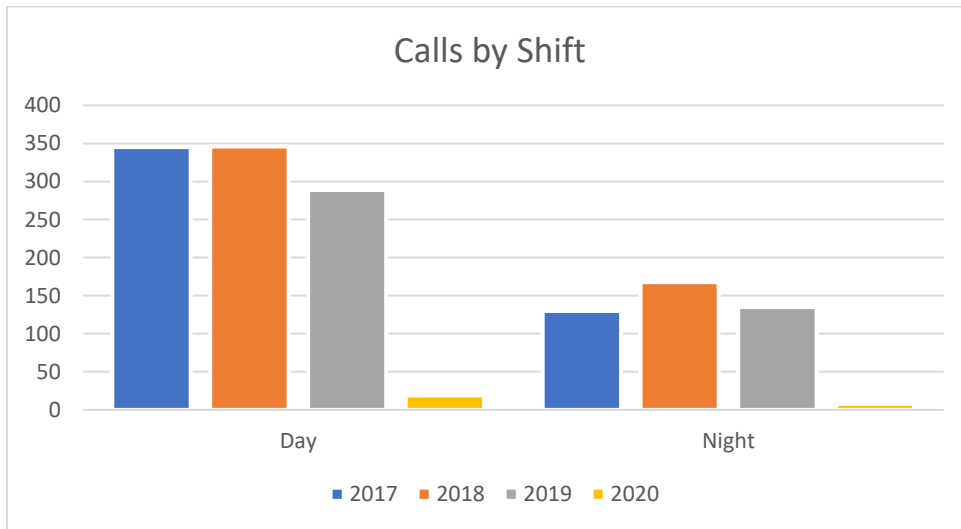
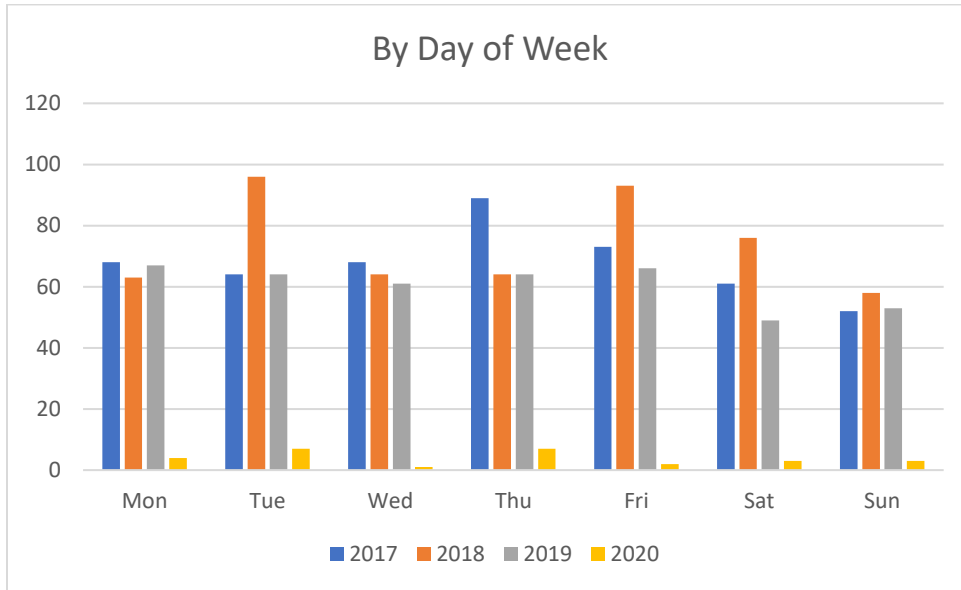
I wanted to take the opportunity to share with you the breakdown of the 2019 responses managed by your volunteer fire department. For the year of 2019 the department responded to 424 calls for service. The following charts break these calls down by Month, Day of Week, Time of Day, Type of Incident, and Day or Night Shift counts. While this number seems like a lot it does not take into account the hundreds of hours your volunteers work to get the continuous training needed to provide a high level of service, nor does it include the fundraising hours and community outreach programs. These hours will be provided to you with our financial statements.





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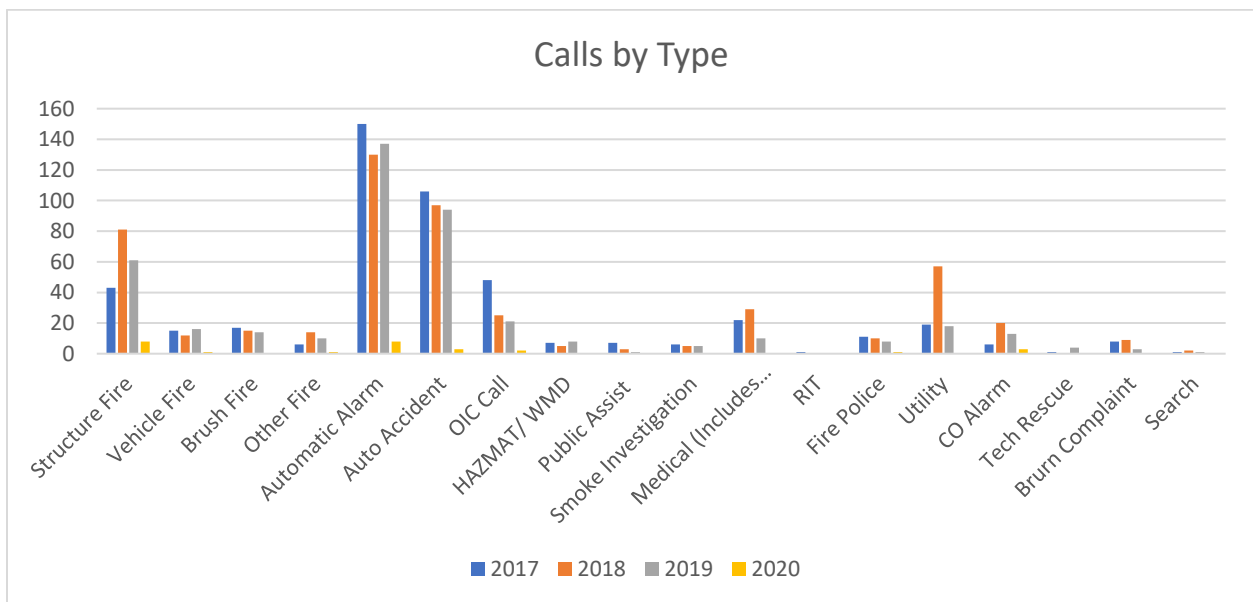
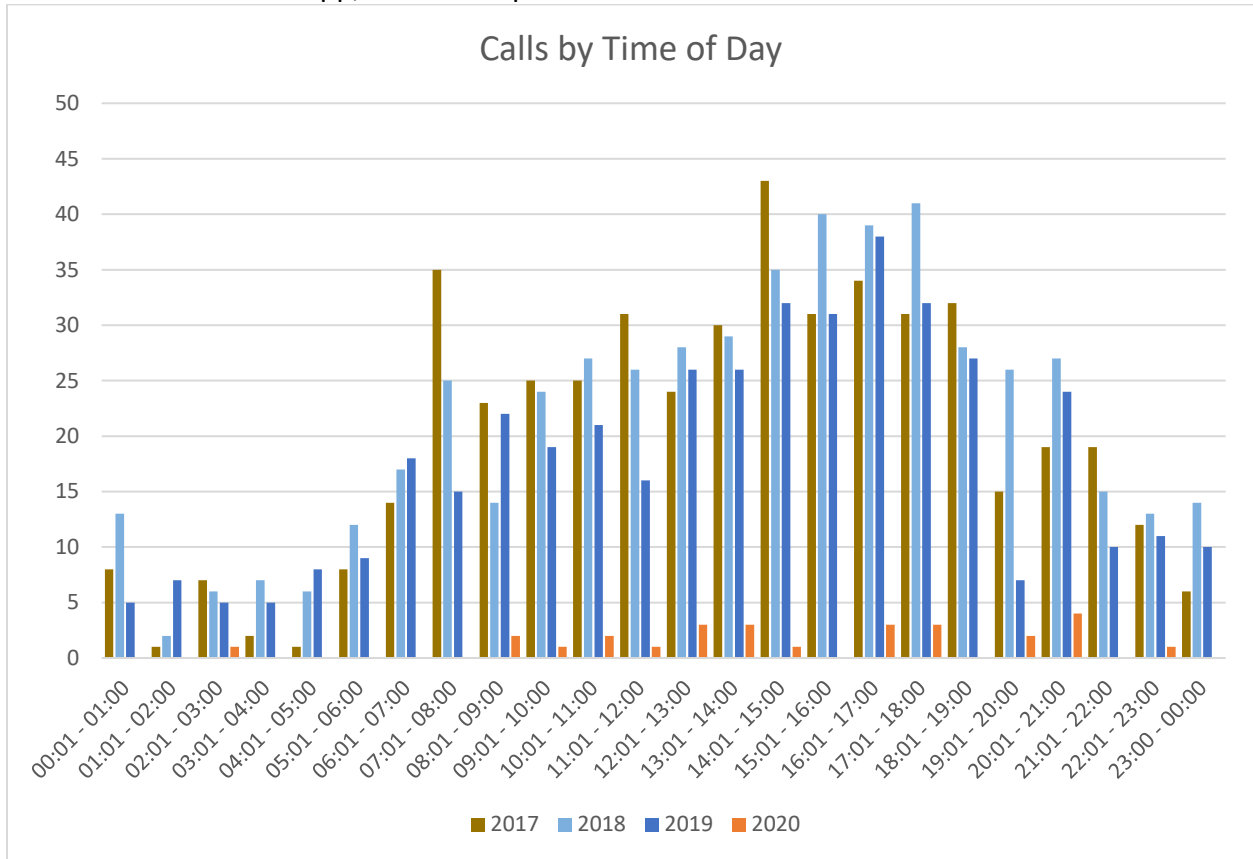
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I would like to point out that our total number of incidents is down 17% compared to 2018. This has to do with two primary factors. First, We changed our dispatch agreement with the neighboring fire departments. They no longer call us for residential automatic fire alarms unless needed. It should be noted here that even with this dispatch change the number of automatic alarms has increased over 2018. This is primarily due to the ordinance that is in effect for false alarms not being enforced. Finally, the total responses are slightly lower due to not having a blizzard in 2019. This accounts for about 60 incidents in reduction.

I hope that you and the residents of the township find these data points to be valuable. Should you have any questions related to them or require further clarification please do not hesitate to contact me. We appreciate your continued support in making our community a safer place to live, work, and visit.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald Zipp J.J.I

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