Cowichan Bay Improvement District

Fire Report

Date: **January 21, 2026**

To: **Cowichan Bay Improvement District Board of Trustees**

From: **Dean Stennes, Fire Chief**

Subject: **Cowichan Bay Fire Rescue Monthly Report**

Purpose

To provide the Board of Trustees with a summary of the activities for December 2025 by Cowichan Bay Fire Rescue.

Incidents:

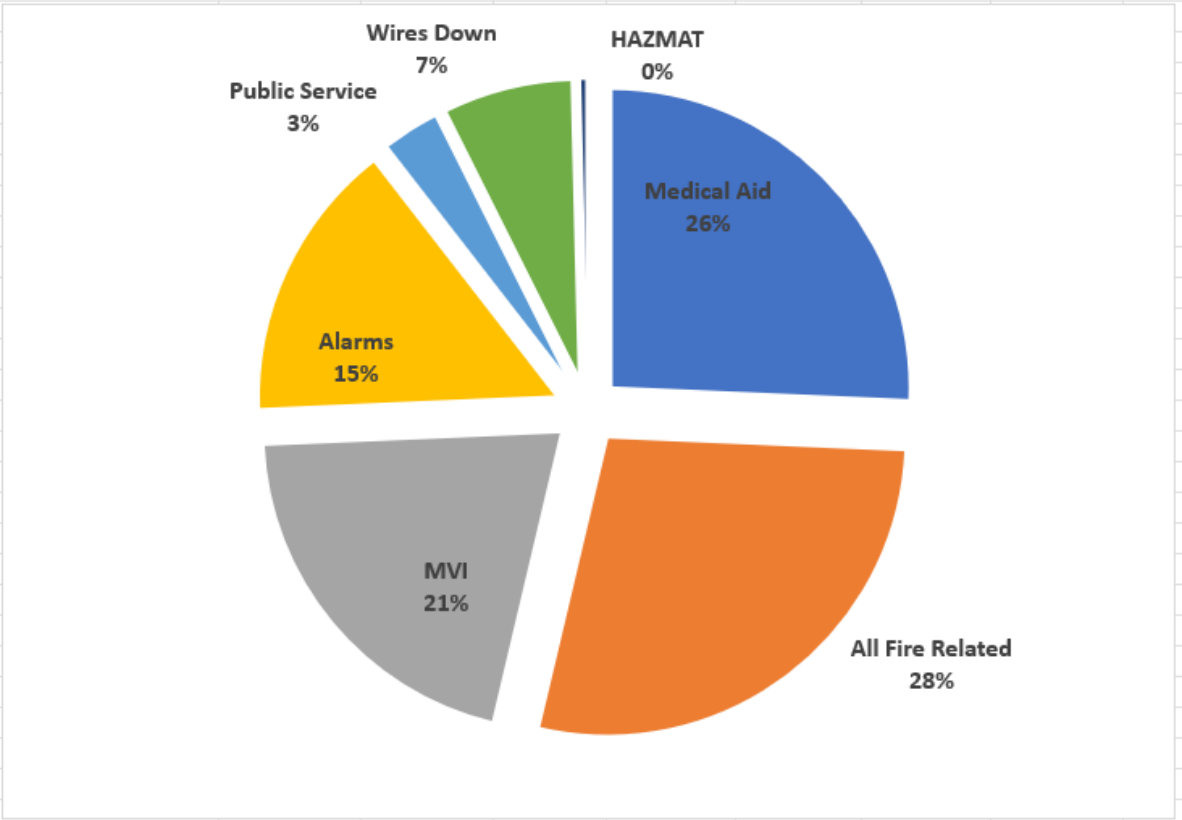
For the month of December Cowichan Bay Fire Rescue attended 25 incidents.

As set out in the Cowichan Bay Improvement District Bylaw 109-22 Fire Department Establishment Bylaw, Cowichan Bay Volunteer Fire Rescue responds to several different types of incidents.

The table below shows a breakdown for type of incidents by month. The totals are at the top of the table. This table also shows the percentage of each type of incident responded to.

Incident Percentage by Type for Current Year

Incident Type	Medical Aid	All Fire Related	MVI	Alarms	Public Service	Wires Down	Hazardous Materials
Total	66	72	53	39	8	18	1
Percentage	26%	28%	21%	15%	3%	7%	0%
January	7	3	3	2	1		
February	7	2	4	3		1	
March	7	3	4	5		1	
April	1	7	5	3	1		1
May	7	7	4	3	1	1	
June	2	13	5	4		1	
July	6	7	3	4	1		
August	11	8	9	3		2	
September	7	6	1	3	1		
October	6	3	4	3	1	2	
November	5	8	5	3		1	
December		5	6	3	2	9	



Membership:

After nine years of service Lt. Noah Wickham retired from the department. Noah was presented with a framed department photo at our annual Christmas appreciation dinner as a thank you.

At the end of December membership was 29.

The breakdown is as follows: 2 Full-time Career Certified members
16 Active Paid on Call Certified members
11 Active Paid on Call members working towards certification

Training:

Training continues a weekly basis with all members.

Fire Prevention and Public Education

The department always promotes fire safety. The department has one member that attends meetings with the Cowichan Valley Fire Prevention Association. One hall tour was conducted on December 16th with the Bonaventure Group.

Health and Safety

Nothing to report.

Fire Department Administration Activities

The administrative side of the fire department continues to stay busy with the public coming in with questions regarding fire safety as well as general safety inquiries.

This is the report on the activities of Cowichan Bay Fire Rescue in December; I ask that the board accept this report as presented.

Prepared by: Dean Stennes, Fire Chief