

## **APRIL 2023 COMMITTEE REPORT**

- 1. Mason Fire Department responded to a total of 10 incidents for the month of February with a 100% response rate:
  - 4 EMS CALLS
  - 2 EMS CALLS (TIPTON COUNTY)
  - 1 NATURAL GAS
  - 1 STRUCTURE FIRE (TIPTON COUNTY)
  - 2 NATURAL DISASTER (TIPTON COUNTY)
- 2. The Mason Fire Auxiliary has been selected as one of only seventeen recipients of a Ford Fund Capital Grant in connection to Blue Oval City in the amount of \$68,268.00 directly providing critically needed fire suppression equipment to the fire department. This contribution and commitment to public safety by Ford Motor Company has given the department a fresh breath of life by reducing the financial strain of replacing old or missing equipment needed by firefighters to perform their jobs. We are greatly appreciative for Ford Motor Company's assistance as well as the Mason Fire Auxiliary for their hard work and tenacity in making our community a safer place.
- 3. On March 31<sup>st</sup>, Mason Fire Department provided mutual aid to the City of Covington to assist with search and rescue operations as well as debris removal. In light of this significant disaster, there is a renewed need for the Town of Mason and all departments to review emergency action plans in preparation for emergencies of our own in the future.
- 4. Funds have been received from the Volunteer Firefighter Equipment and Training Grant (VFEAT). In the coming weeks, the department will be placing orders for equipment funded by this grant to afford essential personal protective equipment for its firefighters. Further grant opportunities are being explored for additional opportunities to progress the department.
- 5. All fire hydrants within city limits have received their annual inspections for 2023. Several hydrants need immediate maintenance or replacement to ensure adequate fire protection.
- 6. Truck 73 is expected to have repairs completed prior to the end of the month to return to service.