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### **Cash Fire Department Presents City's October Statistics To Quinlan City Council**

At their November 8<sup>th</sup> regular City Council meeting, the Quinlan City Council received their first monthly report from the Cash Fire Department on emergency response activity within the City of Quinlan for the month of October. October was the first month covered by the new Fire, Rescue and Medical Emergency Responder Agreement between the City of Quinlan and Cash Fire Department which became effective October 1<sup>st</sup>. For the month of October, the total number of calls within the City of Quinlan was 69. The call types were as follows:

EMS	51
Motor Vehicle Accidents	10
Fire Alarms	4
Grass Fires	1
Fire Investigations	1
Public Assists	2

The department answered 100% of the calls generated from within the City of Quinlan during the month and the average response time from dispatch to arriving on scene was approximately 6 1/2 minutes. Cash Fire Department is staging staffed response units in downtown Quinlan during most days of the week and the average response time from this location was approximately 3 minutes. Chief Ryan Biggers also reported that the department participated in local events in October, such as Harvest Quinlan and Halloween activities, and dedicated training time to familiarizing staff with the community, including driving local roads and neighborhoods, pre-planning responses and noting local hazards and traffic patterns. "We're very pleased to be working with the City of Quinlan and we're confident that we have the equipment, training and staff capable of providing reliable and professional services to this community.", added Chief Biggers.

At their September 13<sup>th</sup> regular City Council meeting, the Quinlan City Council voted to terminate the City's agreement with the Quinlan Volunteer Fire Department and to enter into a new agreement with Cash Fire Department. The Fire, Rescue and Medical Emergency Responder Agreement designates Cash Fire Department as the City's municipal fire department to provide first responder services within the City's 1.3 square mile corporate limits. Mayor Jacky Goleman noted that he hoped the City will continue a positive relationship with the Quinlan Volunteer Fire Department, adding, "We appreciate and support the local volunteer departments that serve this area, including the Quinlan Volunteer Fire Department. At this time, however, we believe it is in the best interest of the citizens of Quinlan to make this change." City of Quinlan utility customers can continue to make fire donations through their monthly utility bills, which will now be forwarded to Cash Fire Department, the City's designated volunteer fire department. Fire donations made through the City's utility billing are voluntary and the City forwards 100% of the donations it receives to its designated volunteer fire department.

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