# MOORHEAD FIRE DEPARTMENT DIVISIONS 1984 ANNUAL REPORT

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## Moorhead Fire Department

111 - 12th Street North MOORHEAD, MINNESOTA 56560 PHONE 299-5434

MARLAN V. ANDERSON Fire Chief



Honorable Mayor and Members of the Moorhead City Council:

The 1984 annual report represents the combined efforts and cooperation of all members of the Moorhead Fire Department and divisions within the Fire Department.

The total fire loss for 1984 amounted to \$289,950.00; \$13,100.00 of this amount was due to motor/vehicle fire loss. This is an increase of \$147,237.00, or approximately a fifty per cent increase over 1983. The total number of emergency calls decreased slightly over 1983, but the number of incendiary fires increased approximately forty-three per cent over 1983. There was an increase of \$142,652.00 in fire loss due to incendiary fires.

Some of the highlights and events which occurred in our department in 1983 are as follows:

- 1. Gene Wasfaret was appointed to Assistant Fire Chief.
- 2. Martin Soeth was appointed to Lieutenant, with the title of Training Officer.
- 3. I recommended the purchase of a new fire pumper. The City Council approved the pumper; in March 1985 the 1250 gallon per minute pumper truck will be delivered to the city of Moorhead by Pierce Arrow, Appleton, Wisconsin.
- 4. The I.S.O. surveyed our city in April, and gave the city a Class 5 rating. After redesigning our training system and testing of equipment the I.S.O. kept our city in the Class 4 rating and will review our program in the spring of 1985.
- 5. We have been working slowly, as budget allows, to bring personal fire fighting equipment to O.S.H.A. standards. We are also br bringing our S.C.B.A. equipment up to O.S.H.A. standards, to meet the deadline of 1985-86.

Reports from Fire Prevention, Fire Relief Association, Building Codes, Environmental Health, Training Director and Mechanic are also included in this report.

I wish to thank Mayor Lanning and members of the Moorhead City Council, with a special thanks to Chairperson Barbara Sipson, John Moen, Millie MacLeod, and Lyle Usgaard of the Public Safety Committee, for the help and direction I have received this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Marlan Anderson, Fire Chief

# City of Moorhead Fire Department

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#### 1984 FIRE PREVENTION REPORT

The 1984 annual report for the Fire Prevention Bureau shows that we have increased in almost all areas as compared to the 1983 report.

I feel the most important numbers on this annual report are the violations and corrections. These numbers relate to each other very well, in that when a written or oral violation was found the correction was eventually made.

The number of hours in the inspection area also has risen in 1984. In the area of arson and fire investigation, the time requirement has risen by 550%. The number of incendiary fires this year increased approximately 43% over 1983; this compares with the national average of incendiary and arson type fires rising 400% in the last ten years.

I believe the addition of a 40 hour, full time inspector and the use of the southside fire department crew as inspectors have been the main reason that the number of violations and corrections has increased. Hopefully with more training in the future the numbers will continue to rise.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary L. Schulz Fire Marshal

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QUARTERLY TOTAL FIRE PREVENTION REPORT



	JANUARY 1, 1984 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1984	1ST QTR	2ND QTR	3RD QTR	4TH QTR	TOTAL
*	Fire Prevention Man Hours On Field Inspections	400	. 419	. 476	.371	1,666
	Fire Prevention Bureau Inspections	554	. 525	. 604	.546	2,229
	Written Violations	383	. 256	. 328	.321	1,288
•	Verbal Violations	86	70	90	.128	.374
	Corrections	284	. 302	. 305	.527	1,418
	Housing Inspections	381	. 262	. 402	.329	1,374
•(	aits Inspected	345	. 319	. 471	.361	1,496
	Commercial Inspections	157	. 203	. 145	.143	.648
	Building Code Inspections	39	41	41	. 58	.179
•	Day Care Inspections	14	10	16	. 12	. 52
	Bar Inspections	2	9	0	0	. 11
	TIME SPENT IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS (HOURS):					
•	Meetings & Conferences	58	50	75	. 69	.252
	Schools Attended	118	31	90	9	.248
	Fire Investigations	82	4	97	.100	.283
•	Fire Safety Classes Given	5	25	6	. 30	. 66
	Fire Department Duties	. 56	. 132	41	. 21	.250
	Plan Check	0	0	0	. 16	. 16
	Court Related Appearances	. <u>19</u>	. <u>.39</u>	. <u>.70</u>	<u>. 19</u>	.147
•	TOTAL HOURS	338	281	379	264	1,262

Respectfully Submitted

Gary L. Schulz
Fire Marshal

#### TRAINING DIVISION

#### TRAINING RECEIVED IN ALL FACETS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS

Fire Streams, Hose & Nozzles	113
Driving	48
Hydraulics	180
River Rescue	52
Medical Training	473
Auto Extrication	99
Equipment	24
Self Contained Breathing Apparatus	83
Chemistry	37
Hydrant Maintenance	165
Pre Plans	392
Miscellaneous	439
TOTAL MAN HOURS	2,105

## TRAINING RECEIVED BY DEPARTMENT MEMBERS FROM AGENCIES OUTSIDE OF THE DEPARTMENT

Northern States Power Company Employees Safety on Right to Know Simplot Soil Builders

BLOOD PRESSURES GIVEN IN 1984: 1,361

Martin Soeth, Training Officer

#### MECHANICAL WORK

1. Fire Department (Pumpers, Rescue Truck, Pick-Up, Chief's Car)

Jerry Shawstad	154	Hours
Carroll Simpson	60	Hours
Don Bratlien	10	Hours
Mike Saulsbury	2	Hours

2. Fire Prevention (Cars)

Jerry Shawstad 26 Hours Carroll Simpson 7 Hours

3. Codes Administration (Car)

Jerry Shawstad 4 Hours

4. Fire Department: Power Equipment (Lawn Mowers, Saws, Generator, Welding, etc.)

Jerry Shawstad (Main Station) 18 Hours Carroll Simpson (Main Station) 6 Hours Jerry Shawstad (South Station) 44 Hours Carroll Simpson (South Station 30 Hours

5. Radio Equipment (Pumpers, Trucks, Pick-Up)

Jerry Shawstad 4 Hours

6. Paperwork (Calling for Parts):

Fire Prevention Fire Department

Jerry Shawstad 23 Hours Jerry Shawstad 44 Hours

Carroll Simpson 2 Hours Carroll Simpson 19 Hours

7. Run for Parts:

Fire Prevention Fire Department

Jerry Shawstad 7 Hours Jerry Shawstad 31 Hours

Carroll Simpson 2 Hours Carroll Simpson 4 Hours

8. Fire Department Nonvehicle Repairs in Station (Main & South)

Mike Sigdestad 2 Hours
Jerry Shawstad 24 Hours
Carroll Simpson 20 Hours
Don Bratlien 24 Hours

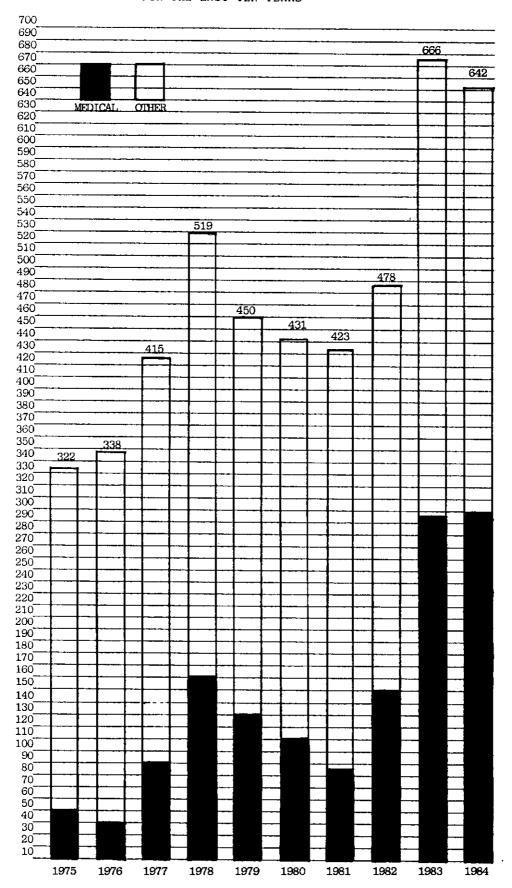
TOTAL HOURS RECORDED:

Jerry Shawstad 379 Hours
Carroll Simpson 151 Hours
Don Bratlien 35 Hours
Mike Saulsbury 2 Hours
Mike Sigdestad 2 Hours

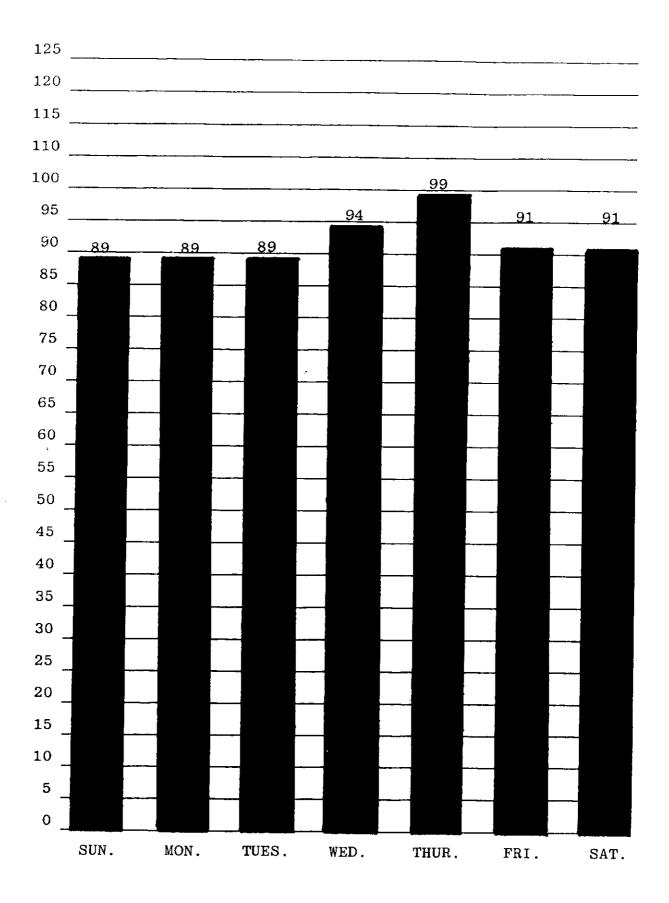
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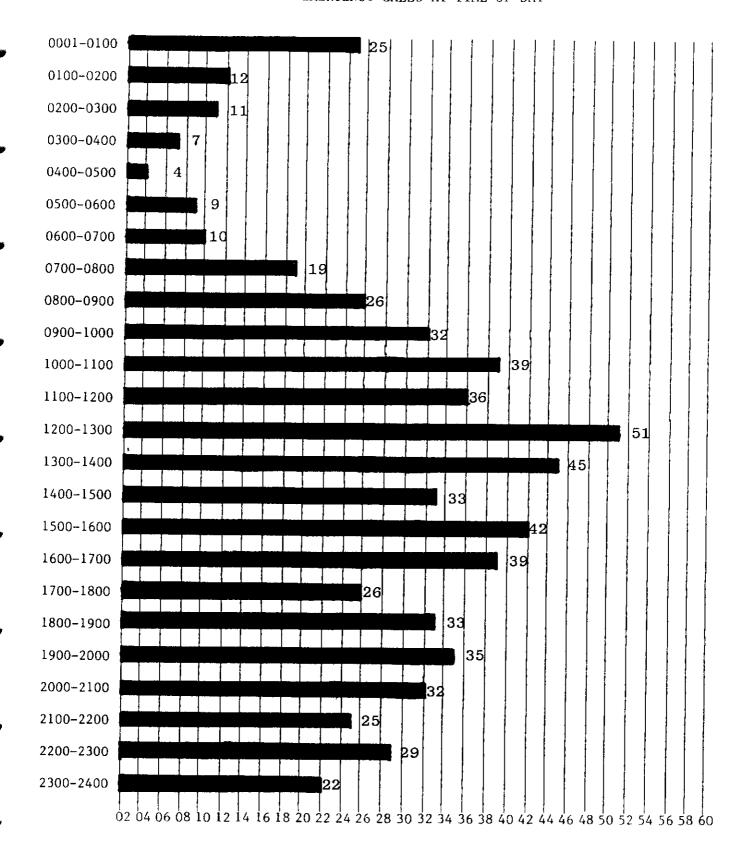
FIRES IN STRUCTURES BY FIXED USE (OCCUPANCY)	PROPERTY	Number of Fires	Estimated Property Damage from Fire
1. Private Dwellings (1 or 2 famil	y) including		
mobile homes	y), moraum	26	122,150.00
2. Apartments (3 or more families)		7	11,800.00
3. Hotels & Motels		0	.00
	ies boarding		
<ol> <li>All Other Residential (domitor houses, tents, etc.)</li> </ol>	100, 0000 unio	4	200.00
TOTAL RESIDENTIAL FIRES (SUM OF	LINES 1		
THROUGH 4)		37	134,150.00
Public Assembly (church, restau	rant, clubs,		
etc.		3	900.00
. Schools & Colleges		4	3,500.00
B. Health Care & Penal Institution	s (hospitals,		
nursing homes, prisons, detenti	on homes, etc.	0	.00_
o. Stores & Offices		4	130,500.00
D. Industry, Utility, Defense, Lab	oratories.		
Manufacturing	,	2	6,800.00
Storage in stuctures (barns, ve	hicle storage		
garages, general storage, etc.)		1	100.00
2. Special structures (vacant buil	dings, buildings		
under construction, outbuilding	s bridges etc.)	0	.00
3. TOTALS FOR STRUCTURE FIRES (SUM	OF LINES 5		
THROUGH 12)		50	275,850.00
OTHER FIRES AND INCIDENTS  4a. Fires in highway vehicles (auto	os, trucks, buses,	32	12,100.00
etc.)		32	12,100.00
4b. Fires in other vehicles (planes	s, trains, snips,	1	1,000.00
construction or farm vehicles,	etc.)	<u>_</u>	1,000.00
5. Fires outside of structures wit	n value involved,	3	700.00
but not vehicles (outside stora	ige, crops, etc.)	<u>J</u>	700:00
6. Fires in brush, grass, wildland	(excluding crops	22	.00
& timber), with no value involv	rea.		
7. Fires in rubbish, including dur	mpsters (outside of	13	.00
structures), with no value invo	oivea.	13	200.00
3. All other fires.	10 mmOVCH		200.00
9. TOTALS FOR FIRES (SUM OF LINES	13 THROUGH	122	289,950.00
18)	anges (embulance	122	
O. Rescue, Emergency Medical response	onses (amburance,	287	
EMS, rescue)	1 monfino)	44	
1. False alarm responses (fire and		5	
2. Mutual aid or assistance respon	11c areing wires		
3. All other responses (service ca	arts, arcing wires,	183	
washdowns, etc.)	E T TNES 10	100	
4. TOTAL FOR ALL INCIDENTS (SUM O	L DIMES IS	642	289,950.00
THROUGH 23		<del>04</del> 4	

## NUMBER OF FIRE ALARMS IN MOORHEAD FOR THE LAST TEN YEARS

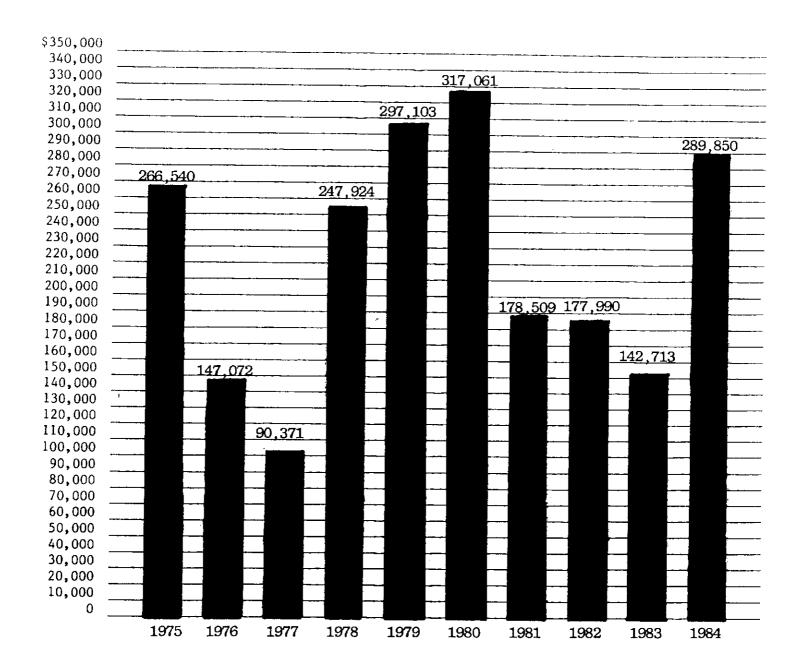


#### NUMBER OF EMERGENCY CALLS PER DAY OF WEEK





## FIRE LOSS FOR MOORHEAD FOR THE PAST TEN YEARS



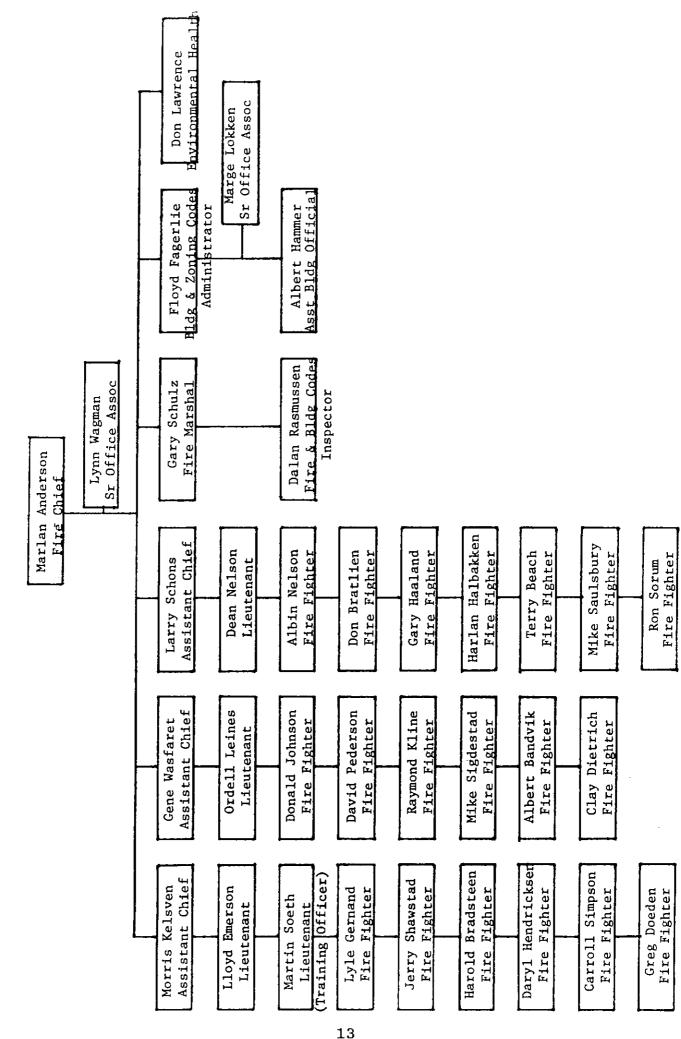
#### INCENDIARY FIRES IN STRUCTURES AND VEHICLES

ALL FIRES WHICH WERE DELIBERATELY SET OR WHICH ARE SUSPECTED OF HAVING BEEN DELIBERATELY SET.

	NUMBER OF FIRES		F CIVILIAN AŞUALTIES INJURIES	ESTIMATED PROPERTY DAMAGE FROM FIRE
Structure fires of definite incendiary origin	14	0	0	\$188,950.00
Structure fires of suspicious origin but not definitely established as incendiary	0	0	0	0
Vehicle fires, incendiary & suspicious	0	0	0	0

#### ON-DUTY FIRE FIGHTER INJURIES

NATURE OF MOST SERIOUS INJURY OR ILLNESS	FIRE GROUND	OTHER RELATED	TRAINING	OTHER ON-DUTY
Burns & smoke inhalation (fire or chem.)	0	0	0	0
Burns only (thermal or chemical)	0	0	0	0
Smoke inhalation only (fire gas or other)	0	0	0	0
Wound, cut, bleeding	1	0	0	2
Dislocation, fracture	0	0	0	0
Heart attack	0	0	0	0
Shock	0	0	0	0
Strain, sprain	1	0	0	2
Internal injury not specified above	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	2	0	0	4



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CITY OF MOORHEAD

BUILDING CODES DIVISION

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BUILDING & ZONING

BUILDING CODES DIVISION STAFF

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# CITY OF MOORHEAD BUILDING CODES DIVISION ANNUAL REPORT - 1984

TO: FIRE CHIEF MARLAN ANDERSON, SUPERVISOR RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Transmitted herein is the Division's Annual Report which contains various tables, tabulations, comparisons and comments as indicated in the Table of Contents. It can be used to analyze growth areas and type of construction patterns from past years, or just to relate to current activity.

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Respectfully submitted,

Floyd A / Fagerlie /
Building & Zoning Codes Administrator

#### BUILDING CODE DIVISION GOAL AND OBJECTIVES

Building Codes and Standards establish uniform minimum regulations controlling design, construction, quality of materials, use of materials, and occupancy of structures in such manner as to provide a reasonable safeguard to life, health, property and public welfare.

#### GOAL:

To enforce the minimum standards of the various disciplines of the State Building Code, and to provide required and requested professional services to the design firm, contractors, suppliers, general public and the City Council for orderly disciplined growth which benefits the city on matters relating to new construction.

#### **OBJECTIVES:**

- 1. For department staff to continually improve their knowledge of the code and be aware of changing construction methods, new technology, and the new materials available.
- 2. For department staff to use their knowledge in construction practices, to better effect practical and uniform application of code requirements during enforcement and to utilize an appropriate degree of flexibility in unique circumstances.
- 3. To enforce the code fairly and equitably by using sound judgement at all times to not unduly provoke a hardship on anyone, and to protect against civil action being initiated against the city.
- 4. To perform assigned duties efficiently by disseminating information and explanations in a clear and concise manner to avoid misunderstanding thereby promoting a better image for the department and the city.
- 5. To keep the Governing Body periodically informed on matters that may affect the department or the jurisdiction.
- 6. To display respect and courtesy toward those with whom we associate in our daily contact.

MONTHLY 1984 BUILDING PERMIT AND VALUATION DATA BUILDING CODES DIVISION

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FEBRUARY					1	25,400	7	199,000	9	63,100	832	3	19	294,180
MARCH					9	154,000	9	124,500	9	24,000		2	20	302,500
APRIL	-1	78,000	1 (2)	75,000	8	175,400	6	102,400	15	76,300		1	35	507,100
MAY	6	586,500	2(24)	453,000	9	214,800	11	795,500	38	174,820		3	69	2,224,620
JUNE	7	71,000			80	422,800	7	504,700	25	79,850	}{\o}{\	00 3	45	1,103,350
JULY	2	129,000 2(54)	2(54)	1,844,000	2	688,500	10	351,250	19	53,350	1(H)	2	77	3,066,100
AUGUST	9	378,000					11	174,700	19	110,200	<u> </u>	2	38	663,400
SEPTEMBER	2	106,000	2(14)	300,000	7	76,700	12	50,100	6	44,300	1(M)	3	33	577,100
QCTOBER	3	164,000		:		·	9	749,250	12	31,250	1(H)	2	24	944,500
NOVEMBER	1	50,000					7	14,500	18	107,000		٦	24	171,500
DECEMBER							11	327,800	9	13,400			17	341,200
SUB-TOTAL	25	1,562,500	(64)	2,672,000	39	2,035,600	110	000,965,60	189	836,050	1383	24	107	10,734,830
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DILWORTH	2	138,000			2	39,200	11	1 286,850	119	113,900	689.	9	43	578,950
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TOTAL-1984	36	2,082,500	7(94	2,672,000	41	2,074,800	122	3,891,	650210	959,650	30H)	30	456	11,714,280

#### COMPARISONS OF MAJOR CATEGORY BUILDING ACTIVITY

The total number of building permits serviced each of the last three previous years (1981-1982-1983) was about the same. Note that there was an increase of 14% in 1984 over any of those three years. Also, note that only in the peak construction years of 1976, 1977 and 1979 were there more building permits issued than in 1984. There was an increase of 45% in valuation of permits serviced in 1984 over either 1982 or 1983.

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YEAR	SINGLE FAMILY DWELLINGS	MULTIPLE DWELLINGS	NEW AND REMODEL COMMERCIAL	MISC BLDGS & RES REM	TOTAL PERMITS & VALUATION
1974	(48) \$ 1,360,000	-0-	(63) \$ 5,738,000	(139) \$ 311,000	(250) \$ 7,409,000
1975	(99)	(11)	(60)	(168)	(338)
	\$ 3,694,600	\$3,882,800	\$ 3,993,000	\$ 747,500	\$12,317,900
1976	(117)	(27-356)	(77)	(311)	(532)
	\$ 5,078,900	\$5,936,300	\$ 6,663,500	\$1,017,000	\$18,695,700
1977	(168)	(27-163)	(74)	(273)	(542)
	\$ 8,165,200	\$3,179,500	\$20,453,900	\$1,172,300	\$32,970,900
1978	(110)	(42-221)	(70)	(223)	(445)
MHD ONLY	\$ 5,911,300	\$6,038,400	\$ 5,723,250	\$ 971,250	\$18,644,200
1979	(107)	(41-210)	(86)	(295)	(529)
MHD ONLY	\$ 6,077,300	\$5,357,500	\$ 9,802,750	\$1,102,173	\$22,339,723
1980	(32)	(27-200)	(101)	(256)	(436)
	\$ 1,796,300	\$5,902,400	\$ 6,033,800	\$1,070,500	\$14,803,000
1981	( 9)	( 3-54 )	(97)	(279)	(388)
	\$ 364,300	\$ 364,300	\$25,187,050	\$1,129,579	\$28,416,479
1982	(16)	(10-84 )	(109)	(259)	(394)
	\$ 718,600	\$2,701,000	\$ 3,554,625	\$ 906,398	\$ 7,880,623
1983	(28)	( 7-24 )	(107)	(262)	(404)
	\$ 1,384,100	\$ 672,000	\$ <b>4,</b> 995,770	\$1,094,805	\$ 8,146,675
1984	(36)	( 7-94 )	(163)	(250)	(456)
	\$ 2,082,500	\$2,672,000	\$ 5,966,450	\$ 993,330	\$11,714,280

1973 THRU 1984 COMPARISONS OF VALUATIONS, PERMITS & REVENUE TABLE

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ă	BUILDING. PERMIT VALUATIONS	BLDC PERMIT ISSUED	BUILDING PERMIT REVENUE	PLBC PERMITS ISSUED	PLUMBING PERMIT REVENUE	HTC PERMITS ISSUED	HEATING PERMIT REVENUE	PLDG & HTG LICENSE FEES	OTHER FEES COLLECTED	TOTAL SURCHARCE COLLECTED	TOTAL NUMBER PERMITS	TOTAL REVENUE
1973	\$ 6,630,000	286	₩,736	141	\$ 1,301	506	\$ 2,428	\$ 1,913	-0-	\$ 3,522	633	\$ 13,900
1974	\$ 7,430,000	271	\$4,668	84	\$ 917	27.1	\$ 2.003	\$ 2 161	Ç		000	
1975	\$12,320,000	338	\$15,258	157	\$ 2,883	177	-	1 0	}	\$ 6.384	679	\$ 13,600
1976	\$18,700,000	535	\$23,420	255	\$ 5,135	263	\$ 2,707	\$ 3,046	٩		1052	- 1
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#### SUMMARY OF INFORMATION IN TABLES

Large increase in the number of building, plumbing and heating permits issued in 1984 over each of the past four years. Category increases were: Building Permits 13%, Plumbing 28%, and Heating 85% for an average increase of 36% in the total number of permits issued.

The valuation of construction activity serviced the past three years has remained close to \$8,000,000 each year (discounting the WWIF \$20,000,000 project in 1981). It could be an encouraging indicator to note that the \$11,700,000 valuation in 1984 represents an increase of about 46% over any of the past three years.

<u>Revenue collected</u> on Building Code Division related matters was \$86,250 in 1984. This was an unexpected 36% increase over the average revenue the preceding four years. This can mostly be attributed to the increase in construction activity. Part of the increase however reflects that in 1984 the updated fee schedule was in effect whereas 3 of the preceding 4 years was under the old, obsolete fee schedule.

The staff level and workload. Staff for Building Code Division field work in 1984 remained at 2 since being cut from 3 in the fall of 1982. There was a considerable increase in the number of permits issued so it is obvious that the same previous level of service could not be provided.

The total number of documented field inspections on building, plumbing and heating in 1984 was 2916. Included in that count of field inspections are the 48 LP gas installation heating permit jobs on which inspections were serviced by Fire Inspector Dalan Rasmussen. Also, Dalan or Fire Marshal Gary Schukz serviced 10 or 12 permits that related to either emergency exit window installations ordered in through their Housing Program; hood/fire suppression systems for restaurants, or wood burning appliance installations. There are a considerable number of permits in the active files on the first of each year:

NUMBER OF PERMITS ACTIVE	1-1-83	1-1-84	1-1-85
BUILDING PERMITS	84	100	110
PLUMBING PERMITS	49	78	47
HEATING PERMITS	46	71	79
TOTAL ACTIVE	179	249	236

PROJECTED WORKLOAD FOR 1985: A municipality of 30,000 always has a considerable amount of construction activity. Also, there are always numerous zoning enforcement matters to be resolved. There is nothing at this time however that would indicate a significant workload change either up or down for 1985.

#### ZONING ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

Zoning enforcement consumes a considerable amount of staff time as there is a constant number of phone calls and counter inquiries that staff process daily. Marge Lokken, Senior Office Associate, has worked in the division for so long she is capable of answering many questions without referral to me or Al Hammer. It is good that all calls do not require site investigation as in all but the middle of winter months it is not uncommon to service 12 to 15 inquiries some days.

The following types of questions are most frequent both for phone calls and counter inquiries but can be serviced without investigation:

- People giving an address and inquiring what zoned district it is in.
- Calls and inquiries on requirements on fence or hedge locations.
- Questions, specifically on front yard and side yard setback requirements.
- Inquiries or proposals involving lot coverage.
- Inquiries on both specific and general zoning requirements in various zoned districts.
- Parking requirement inquiries or parking complaints.

It seems like year to year, zoning enforcement matters that necessitate field inspections and additional follow-up with phone calls, correspondence, or meeting with the people involved differ very little. Examples are:

- + Proposals for additions that must be checked for zoning propriety before permit issuance.
- Site investigation on drainage complaints and flood plain elevations.
- Complaints on fence or hedge encroachments.
- Berm parking, or front yard parking complaints.
- Inspection of structures before relocation.
- Checking on requests for Home Occupation Use before approval or rejection.
- Miscellaneous complaints that must be checked out to see if the complaints are justifiable.

Occasionally there is a need to file a formal complaint and appear in court.

There were three formal variance requests processed with the Board of Adjustment:

- 1) A sidelot variance for an attached garage: 616 North 10th Street.
- 2) A sidelot variance for an attached garage: 1318 4th Avenue North.
- 3) A parking variance for 1020-1028 Center Avenue.

The status of "Home Occupation Uses" remained essentially unchanged. There were a number of inquiries and investigations but most did not conform to the criteria established so a formal request was not made. There were no complaints filed in 1984 on existing Home Occupation Uses.

#### GENERAL COMMENTS

The scope of services the Building Code Division staff administer is not limited to permit issuance and making field inspections. There is a continual need for outside studying and attendance at seminars to keep abreast of technology changes in the building industry materials and methods of fabrication. This information is passed on to local design professionals and contractors for the benefit of the locality.

The hours spent on pre-construction plan checking for the design professionals, contractors and homeowners are time, money and problem savers for the proposers and staff when projects are in progress.

The Building Code Division probably has more inter-department relationship than any single division in order to coordinate policy matters of other divisions affected by new or remodeling construction proposals before permit issuance.

- Planning and Community Development Zoning and development matters.
- Engineer Department Easement, site drainage, sewer line matters, curb cuts and use of their maps and aerial photos regularly.
- Public Service Department Water and power availability.
- Fire Department Some aspects in both new and remodeled construction and housing matters.
- Finance Department Permit revenue collected and plumbing and heating licenses and bonds.
- Other divisions to lesser degrees.

There is frequent attendance and participation necessary at informational meetings for civic, public, professional groups, and tradesmen to answer questions and disseminate information.

Documenting and record keeping is becoming more volumnous and time consuming every year because of public demand and the demands of Federal, State and Local Government offices and outside agencies. Accurate tabulations of receipts and construction categories are required periodically.

In conclusion, the items mentioned are only a small portion of the variety of services provided by the division. The Building Codes Division functions as a technical service oriented center in which the staff is utilized daily by the citizens of Moorhead for far more than issuing permits and making field inspections.

February 18, 1985

TO: Marlan Anderson, Chief Moorhead Fire Department Moorhead, MN

Dear Chief Anderson:

The following annual report covers the activities done by the Environmental Health Division for 1984. The information has been summarized from daily logs and from field notes throughout the year. In June a new category system was implemented in order to fulfill the required state and local reporting activities. Time spent in administration and new programs is also indicated in this report.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Marge Lokken and Lynn Wagman for their contributions to the Environmental Health program.

Respectfully reported,

Donald J. Lawrence

Environmental Health Director

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#### ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH REPORT, 1984

Listed below are the categories and explanations for the overall Environmental Health Division Program.

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

The administrative activities for the year include plan reviews for Restaurants, Bars, Boarding and Lodging establishments, and Swimming Pools. Research on various projects such as gathering information and state requirements for proposed businesses. Reviewing and compiling information for required ordinances, and program review with the Minnesota Department of Health personnel. Also, licensing and Food Service Manager Certification would be included. An estimated 294 hours have been spent in this administrative category, (estimated from June through December, 1984).

#### INSPECTION/CONSULTATION/CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence for the year excluding weeds, mosquito/surveil-lance and licensing was 238 which were written regarding the categories of Food Service, Day Care Centers, Hot Lunch programs, and other related areas that include the remainder of the programs under the Environmental Health Division.

Inspections are based on complaints, or regular scheduled inspections. The term consultation means the persons were contacted regarding a particular problem or explanation of orders on correspondence that were given either by phone or by personal contact.

#### I. INSPECTION/CONSULTATION FOR PROGRAM AREAS INCLUDE:

Inspections done by personnel supplied by CEP from January 9 to April 30, 1984. This person was trained and supervised during this period. (The areas are marked with an asterisk).

		Number
Lodging	Inspect	28
	Consult	38
Restaurant, Bars, Rest Homes,	Inspect	* 150
Day Care, Hot Lunch Programs, Limited Food	Consult	275

## I. INSPECTION/CONSULTATION FOR PROGRAM AREAS, CON'T:

		Number
Partial inspection of Restaurants, Bars, Rest Homes, Day Care, Hot Lunch, orders not written	Part/ Inspection	* 238
Swimming Pools	Inspect Consult	* 220 51
Plumbing	Inspect Consult	11
Nuisance (Complaints 94)	Inspect Consult	150 137
PCA/Government, Inspection based on Air, Indoor/Outdoor, Water, Gas, Toxic Waste, etc.	Inspect Consult	* 67 87
MCIAA (Minnesota Clean Indoor Act)	Inspect Consult	9 30
Other (No category)	Inspect Consult	* 22 125
Meetings		27
Supervisory	January thru	April
Lecture		4
Training received		2
Closure/Enforcement	Swimming Pool	. 5

#### II. WEED PROGRAM (August - October)

		No.	Hours
Administrative (checking property and assuming the program from the Department)		Administrative	18
	Inspect	30	9
	Consult	27	5
	Corresp.	9	2
	TOTAL	66	34

#### II. WEED PROGRAM, CON'T.

\* The Park Department was responsible for about 90% of the information on the Annual Weed report which is herewith included.

The existing weed ordinance has been changed for 1985 to include the removal of debris and the leveling of dirt piles. Also, a section addressing "Natural Lawns" has been added to the ordinance.

The council has designated the Environmental Health Division as responsible for the inspection and enforcement of the weed lot ordinance. Operations and Maintenance Department will be responsible for the mowing of weed lots.



# ANNUAL CITY REPORT ON WEED CONTROL FOR 1984 Required by Minnesota Statute 18.261

Submit Report to County Agricultural Inspector by December 15

City		County	Date
	MOORHEAD	CLAY	December 31, 198
County	Agricultural Inspector's N	lame and Address	<u></u>
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#### III. MOSQUITO/SURVEILLANCE CONTROL PROGRAM

The council appointed city/county staff persons to formulate policies and procedures for the Mosquito/Surveillance Control Program for the City of Moorhead and surrounding areas.

Items listed below were addressed by the Fire Marshal's office and the division of Environmental Health with \*recommendation for changes regarding storage, handling and protection.

- 1) Type of chemical used
- \*2) Amounts stored and how
- \*3) Type of building where chemicals are being stored
- \*4) Method of handling the chemical during usage
- \*5) Methods used for protection of persons using chemicals
  - 6) Records of chemicals used and the areas that chemicals are used on

The Fire Marshal's recommendations were adhered to; and masks, boots, gloves and additional items were obtained regarding the protection for persons handling the chemicals. Also, blood tests were taken before and after the season to determine if any levels of malathion were found.

Any additional information regarding the Mosquito Control program is with the Moorhead Sanitation Department.

The Mosquito/Surveillance program began in June of 1984 and was in effect until the end of August, 1984. Two New Jersey Light Traps were used. One trap was located in North Moorhead and the other in South Moorhead.

Explanation of the program and the time spent is as follows:

		Number	Hours
Setting up of the pr the separating of mo plus counting		Administrative	111
	Inspect	2	1
	Corresp.	6	1
	Consult	53	11.5
Picking up mosquito from traps	es Collect	79	18
	Total	92	142.5

On the following page is a graph indicating the mosquito activity from June through August, 1984.

# DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH CITY OF MOORHEAD

## Female Mosquito Count June-August 1984

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