

Fire Department

Bi-Weekly Report 10-23-2023 - 11-06-2023

Administrative

- Sort Mail
- Process Bills
- Performed QA of Temsis reports
- Coded Temsis reports for Billing.
- Payroll
- Fire Permit issuance
- Updating weekly data and enter into NIFRS National Incident Fire Reporting System
- Monday night training: Medical training second night Fire Training

Shift Coverage

10/23 7:00-17:00 1 AEMT, 1 EMTB
10/24 7:00-17:00 1 AEMT, 1 EMTB
10/25 7:00-17:00 1 EMTB
10/26 7:00-17:00
10/27 9:00-12:00 1 AEMT
10/30 7:00-17:00 1 AEMT, 1 EMTB
10/31 7:00-17:00 1 AEMT, 1 EMTB
11/01 12:00-17:00 1 EMTB
11/02 7:00-14:00 1 EMTB
11/03 7:00-17:00 1 EMTB

Duty crews will be performing daily chores assigned by chief officers ie truck maintenance, equipment maintenance and cleaning station along with other responsibilities.

Truck & Equipment Maintenance:

- Washed trucks swept apparatus floor and general housekeeping.
- Perform DOT truck safety checks.
- Change out and recharge batteries in air packs weekly.
- In house Calibration of gas meter.
- Work on IAR adding to and updating data mapping system.

Emergency Responses

(Runs YTD 317)

10/23 EMS
10/23 Fire

Merrymeeting Rd
Farmington

10/23 EMS	Main Street
10/26 CO Alarm	Brackett Rd
10/26 RMS	Brackett Rd
10/27 EMS	Berry Rd
10/29 EMS	Ham Rd
10/29 EMS	Chamberlin Way
10/29 FIRE	Grove Rd
10/30 EMS	Kings HWY
11/02 EMS	Nipmuck TRL
11/03 EMS	Merrymeeting Rd
11/03 EMS	Nipmuck TRL
11/03 EMS	Nipmuck TRL
11/03 EMS	South Shore Rd
11/05 EMS	Brackett Rd
11/05 EMS	Ridge Rd
11/05 EMS	Merrymeeting Rd

Chief's Corner:



The Fire department helped out on Friday and Saturday nights. With the Halloween festivities by providing lighting and personal. Our rescue crews provided cold water rescue swimmers for the 6th grade fund raiser **The Penguin Plunge** Friday afternoon. Fire prevention program 3 hour presentation at the school for grades K through 6th

I have been asked this question **Are Electric Blankets a Fire Hazard?**

The most obvious safety risk presented by electric blankets is starting a fire in your home. But while there are certainly examples of this, those cases represent a tiny fraction of home fires.

“Electric-heated blankets don’t statistically reflect a significant home fire hazard,” *Susan McKelvey, communications manager of the National Fire Protection Association, told the Today Show. “Considering that there is an average of nearly 360,000 home fires each year, fires started by electric blankets represented just .04 percent of those fires.* My recommendation is not to leave them unattended or bunch up when power is applied.

Please make sure your house numbers are clearly visible at night as well as day light hours. It has been brought to my attention by staff responding to emergencies that house numbers are becoming unreadable at night due to deterioration from weather. Help us help you in the event of an emergency and easily locate your home if required.

Recommended you have your wood burning stove inspected for operational safety and you have chimney and flue pipes inspected annually and cleaned semiannually.

Keep your family safe at night by checking your smoke detectors monthly, smoke detectors are your eyes and nose when you are sleeping all snug in your beds.

Duties preformed:

Reviewed, approved and signed weekly payroll for the past two weeks also compiled information for the Bi-weekly report.

Worked with building department in conducting required inspections. Inspections included LP Gass, Rough Plumbing, Rough Electrical and pre-insulation inspection.

Meeting with the building department to review any plans with fire code related requirements.

Received no request for a woodstove inspection.

From the EMD:

If there is an interest in a community CERT program, please let us know we would very much like a resource for help and specific talents in the event of emergencies.

The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program educates volunteers about disaster preparedness for the hazards that may occur where they live. CERT trains volunteers in basic disaster response skills, such as: Fire safety. Light search and rescue, traffic control, communications and first aid. Skills that we can be short of in weather related emergencies.



Resources for Kids & Educators

Emergency planning should involve everyone in the family. Children need to be involved because knowing what to do in an emergency will provide them with reassurance that they are being protected, even during dangerous conditions.

Ready NH provides a place for children to learn and practice what to do in the event of many different types of emergencies.

Weather Concerns: Nothing to report at this time.

follow-up from EMD: There has been no weather events that have impacted New Durham in the past two weeks.

**From Smokey and the
Town's Forest Fire Warden:**



Fire permit duty as always and 3 hours Saturday morning for public access and answer questions on rules and regulations along with an introduction to the online permitting process.

Quality review and assurance of all Fire permit data entered into the State fire permit database and updated with the past two weeks' worth of information.

Not a whole lot on the forestry end of things to report as the fire danger has been low most of the summer months running right into the fall season.

Duties performed over the last 2 weeks.

- Run pumps and check hand tools for readiness.
- Run saws in preparation for wind & Rain event this weekend.
- Fuel trucks and pumps
- Input any handwritten permits into the state online system.
- Review of budget items (needs for remainder of year)
- Issue permits as needed.

This report is the effort of the Fire Chief, Forest Fire Warden and Assistant EMD collecting and compiling information from weekly activities and other reliable sources.