

To: Deering Board of Selectmen

From: Chief Andy Anderson

Date: 1 August 2008

Subject: Monthly Report

This month's report will cover the period from 1 July to 31 July 2008. The Deering Fire and Rescue responded to 25 calls during the month. Included was a request for a five member Strike Team to respond to Epsom after the storm on the 24th and a lightning strike on Wolf Hill Road on the 27th.

We discovered many problems with the apparatus during the month. Ambulance One had a broken steering stabilizer which was repaired by the Highway Department's mechanic. Unfortunately the damaged stabilizer created an additional repair cost since the front tires had to be replaced and aligned.

Engine Three was having difficulty shifting from low to high range. This was repaired by the Highway Department. Perkins Pump replaced the faulty tank switch on Tanker Two that was recorded in the July report.

The Highway Department's mechanic was also exploring an Air Conditioning trouble light on Engine One and taking measurements to remove the exhaust stack from Engine Two. Removing the stack would allow us to place the 35' ground ladder and the 20' roof ladder on Engine Two that are presently stored on Tanker Two as well as the capability to house the truck in another station if the need arose.

The painting project at the Murdough Station continues to be a work in progress with the ceiling receiving a coat of primer on the 10th.

Three Firefighters were promoted to Acting Lieutenant's positions. Steve Brooks, Rene Boyer, and Ron Gleason will be filling these important roles from the Murdough, McAlister, and Donovan Stations respectively. All of the candidates are certified to FFII with the exception of Acting Lt. Boyer who is enrolled in the FFII class beginning in September at the Henniker Fire Station.

Two members were added to the Department in July. FF/EMT Michael Blain joined us early in the month. He is currently an EMT Basic but is in the process of completing his Intermediate class. FF Byron Aubrey was interviewed and accepted near the end of July. Neither of the Probationary members have Fire Training but they are both anxious to learn. Both were assigned to the Murdough Station.

During our monthly training we completed our SCBA Air Management drills on the 15th. Several members of the Washington Fire Department participated in Motor Vehicle Extrication training with us at the Murdough Station on the 29th.

The Fire and Rescue Call Summary and Apparatus Report for the month of July are attached.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Deering Fire and Rescue

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