To: Deering Board of Selectmen

From: Chief Andy Anderson

Date: 1 April 2010

Subject: Monthly Report

This month's report will cover the period from 1 March to 31 March 2010. The Deering Fire and Rescue responded to 22 calls during the month, including two First Alarm building fires. Both were extinguished without major damage to the homes.

The Highway Department made repairs to Ambulance One (exhaust system) and Tanker One (airline valve).

Firefighter Spencer Thompson has resigned from the Department for personal reasons.

The Officers met on the 9<sup>th</sup> to begin updating our Standard Operating Guidelines. We also plan to develop a Rookie School for members who join our Department.

On the 16<sup>th</sup> I attended the first meeting with our new Fire Explorers. We discussed what their role would be on the Department.

In a very busy month for training we worked at the acquired structure in West Deering on the 7<sup>th</sup>, practicing forcible entry and FF Survival, including Ladder bailouts. On the 16<sup>th</sup> we performed some ventilation, did more ladder work, and practiced with our power saws.

For EMS training, Steve Marshall from Washington gave a presentation on Hypothermia on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. By the 26<sup>th</sup> we were back at the acquired structure practicing ventilation on the windows and the roof. The next day we prepared the structure for the final live burn which took place on the 28<sup>th</sup>. Antrim, Francestown, Hillsboro, and Washington sent crews to assist and participate in the training. We managed to get ten burns out of the building before fire spread into the upper floors. The building and garage on the property were then allowed to burn to the ground.

All of the training sessions at the building were well attended by our members and was extremely beneficial to their ongoing development as Firefighters.

On a personal note, my thanks to everyone involved for their support of the Fire and Rescue at this year's Town Meeting.

The Fire and Rescue Call Summary, Ambulance Call Summary, and Apparatus Report for the month of March are attached.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chief Andy Anderson Deering Fire and Rescue

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