

MERIDEN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Meriden Volunteer Fire Department responded to 91 calls for help this year. The increase is due in part to an agreement between Plainfield and Meriden Fire to assist each other with first responses, as we are both shorthanded.

Alarm Investigations

Motor Vehicle Accidents	7	Downed Power Lines	10
Propane Smells	3	Illegal Burns	1
Unattended Burns	1	Medical Aid	1
Smoke Investigations	2	Alarms, KUA	15
Alarms Singing Hills	3	Alarms, Plainfield School	5
Alarms Private	4	Hazardous Materials	1
Carbon Dioxide	1	Tree Fire	1
Odor Investigations	1		

Mutual Aid Given

Plainfield	25	Cornish	4
Enfield	1	Lebanon	3

Mutual Aid Received

Cornish	7	Plainfield	7
Cornish Rescue	8	Lebanon	2

Please remember that your help is also needed to keep the department's work force strong. If this does not happen, in years to come we may be forced to resort to a full-time paid department. We do not want this as it would add greatly to our tax bills. Please, step up to the plate: help your fire department to be strong for the benefit of the town, your friends, and family.

In order to keep all firefighters trained on the equipment that we have, we hold training sessions twice a month on Mondays.

The department received new portable radios this year that were paid for by the state as the result of a federal grant.

This year's fund raiser was a success. Thanks to all of the friends and families of the Meriden Volunteer Department that helped out.

Lastly, I thank the firefighters and their families for their strong support this past year.

Respectfully submitted,
David R. Best, Chief

MERIDEN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT PROPOSED BUDGET

RECEIPTS	PROPOSED			
	2006 BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE	2007 BUDGET
TOWN APPROPRIATION	\$ 37,000	\$ 36,700	\$ (300)	\$ 37,000
<u>OTHER SOURCES</u>				
FLEA MARKET / YARD SALE	-	-	-	-
CORNISH FAIR TICKETS	2,700	2,642	(58)	2,700
SPRING DINNER - 2006	3,000	3,498	498	-
SPRING DINNER - 2007	-	(240)	(240)	3,000
DONATIONS	1,500	3,768	2,268	1,500
CHECKING ACCOUNT INTEREST	-	-	-	-
HAZMAT CLEANUP PAYMENTS	-	-	-	-
FOREST FIRE PAYMENTS	100	-	(100)	100
MISC	-	150	150	-
SUBTOTAL	7,300	9,818	2,518	7,300
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 44,300	\$ 46,518	\$ 2,218	\$ 44,300

DISBURSEMENTS	PROPOSED			
	2006 BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE	2007 BUDGET
<u>OPERATING EXPENSES</u>				
TELEPHONE	\$ 1,000	\$ 907	\$ 93	\$ 1,000
ELECTRICITY	700	666	34	700
SEWER	240	240	-	240
HEATING OIL	1,500	1,320	180	1,500
INSURANCE	7,500	7,192	308	7,500
EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	11,600	9,015	2,585	10,450
COMPUTER EXPENSES	350	179	171	350
OFFICE SUPPLIES + PUBLICATIONS	400	515	(115)	450
GAS, DIESEL	1,200	866	334	1,200
DUES / PERMITS / FEES	375	395	(20)	400
TRAINING	500	70	430	2,500
FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT	8,525	6,408	2,117	7,320
STATION MAINTENANCE	3,000	3,618	(618)	3,000
UNIFORMS	-	4,212	(4,212)	1,000
VACCINATIONS/PHYSICALS	300	-	300	200
NON-PROFIT APPLICATION FEE	-	775	(775)	-
SMALL TOOLS AND TOOLBOX (2006 Funds)	-	-	-	1,000
HAZMAT ASSOCIATION	1,000	1,000	-	1,000
MISC	500	254	246	500
SUBTOTAL	38,690	37,632	1,058	40,310
TRANSFER TO CAPITAL RESERVE	5,610	7,886	(2,276)	4,990
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 44,300	\$ 45,518	\$ (1,218)	\$ 45,300

**MERIDEN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
ACCOUNT SUMMARY**

	2006 <u>ACTUAL</u>	2007 <u>BUDGET</u>
OPERATING ACCOUNT SUMMARY		
BEGIN AVAILABLE CASH BALANCE	\$ 4,500	\$ 5,500
TOTAL RECEIPTS	46,518	44,300
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	<u>45,518</u>	<u>45,300</u>
 NET CHANGE	 <u>1,000</u>	 <u>(1,000)</u>
 ENDING AVAILABLE CASH BALANCE	 <u>\$ 5,500</u>	 <u>\$ 4,500</u>

CAPITAL RESERVE SUMMARY

	2006 <u>ACTUAL</u>	2007 <u>BUDGET</u>
BEGIN BALANCE	\$ 133,646	\$ 146,479
 INCREASE RESERVE	 7,886	 4,990
INTEREST / EARNINGS	4,947	5,500
Plymovent Grant	24,972	-
Plymovent System	<u>(24,972)</u>	<u>-</u>
 ENDING BALANCE	 <u>\$ 146,479</u>	 <u>\$ 156,969</u>