

PLAINFIELD VOLUNTEER FIRE- 2010

The year 2010 was a very good year for the Plainfield Volunteer Fire Department. We completed two projects that have been in our plans for a number of years. The first was to install a dry hydrant in Mike Sutherland's pond at the top of Read's hill on Route 12A. We were able to take advantage of needed repairs to the pond and the Sutherland's generosity in allowing the installation. The pond gives us year round access to over 500,000 gallons of water which would be vital for any large fire north of the village. In the past, we have had to truck water from the hydrant adjacent to the Lebanon landfill or to try to find a supply elsewhere.

The second project was the paving of the driveway at the fire station. We became aware of a program that offered by a local paving company to assist nonprofits with paving. We applied, and ended up receiving the asphalt at no cost. Base gravel came from the town's municipal gravel pit and local businesses and individuals covered the cost of having the asphalt installed. The paved driveway is both a safety enhancement significantly reducing ice build up on the parking lot and goes along way to keeping the station free of mud and grit.

We have continued to hold our public dinners every month and enjoy seeing old friends and meeting new ones. The dinners are a great opportunity to socialize and receive a good meal.

After several month of research we have picked a design and ordered a new tank truck. The chassis is a Kenworth with the body to be built by Dingee Machine in Cornish. We choose the Kenworth because of its design and reputation as a dependable truck plus they have the best price for anything close to the same. Dingee Machine was chosen for its reputation as a good manufacturer of fire equipment as well as our past experience with Engine #1 that we bought from them. They too were the most cost effective. We hope to have the new truck by October 1st.

When you review the year's run list it looks as though we were significantly busier than last year, but the reason for the increased numbers have more to do with the National Fire Incident Reporting system (NFIRS) that has us keeping track of more details. Also we no longer record assisting the Meriden Department as mutual aid, since we are all one town.

2010 Run Breakdown

Public Service	4	Electrical	1	Ambulance Asst	2
Trapped person	1	Illegal burn	4	Inspections	4
Auto Accidents	5	Power lines	4	Trees w/wires	9
Trees w/o wires	6	Welfare	2	Structure fires	7
Oven Fires	1	Alarms	8	ATV Accidents	1
Chimney Fires	2	CO2 Alarms	1	Propane Invst	2
Mutual Aid					
Cornish	4	Weathersfield	1	Acutney	1

Respectfully submitted,
Frank H. Currier, Chief

**PLAINFIELD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
OPERATING EXPENSES & BUDGET**

EXPENSES	<u>2010</u>	<u>Estimated 2011</u>
Accounting	\$325.00	\$300.00
New Equipment	\$1,718.87	\$2,000.00
New Fire Clothing	\$8,720.83	\$4,000.00
Equipment Repairs	\$1,212.18	\$3,000.00
Supplies	\$1,926.29	\$1,000.00
Electricity	\$1,418.61	\$1,200.00
Telephone	\$1,266.33	\$1,600.00
Heat	\$4,364.66	\$5,000.00
Gas/Diesel Fuel	\$794.11	\$1,000.00
Water	\$273.17	\$300.00
Insurance	\$8,407.00	\$9,000.00
Schools & Training	\$1,371.56	\$500.00
Radio & Radio Repairs	\$748.51	\$1,000.00
Fees/Dues	\$95.00	\$700.00
Septic Repair	\$2,246.00	\$0.00
Building (New)	\$20,528.22	\$17,500.00
Driveway Paving	\$8,047.50	\$0.00
Haz-mat Team	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
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	\$63,463.84	\$49,100.00

RECEIPTS

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Forest Fire	\$412.40	\$300.00
Title 4 Funds	\$1,239.35	\$1,200.00
Fund Raising Town	\$5,112.00	\$4,000.00
Appropriation	\$43,000.00	\$43,000.00
Donations	\$12,953.65	\$600.00
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	\$62,717.40	\$49,100.00

Receipts	\$62,717.40
Expenses	\$63,463.84
Balance	<hr/> -\$746.44

Treasurer **Jesse R. Stalker**