

## REPORT OF THE PLAINFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT

I would like to begin by thanking the staff of the Plainfield Police Department for their dedication and commitment to the town. I would also like to thank the community we serve for their patience, consideration, and support. As I have stated in the past, with only three full time officers we can't be everywhere at once, your commitment to report activity you have witnessed continues to be our largest tool in solving crime. I would also like to state that the department is the Town's 24 hour, seven day a week contact point for the public. The officer's are considered problem solvers by handling a variety of calls, not only law enforcement but social service, media, informational and sometimes guidance.

In June of 2011 we purchased and installed Police Computer Software. This was done with the assistance of a Grant from New Hampshire Highway Safety and the seed money given in the annual budget. This software allows our department access to regional data based with our dispatch center and in addition gives me the ability to be compliant with the State and Federal IBOR (Incident Based Offense Reports). This software also supports the ability to log all the services that the department performs as well as giving us a better analysis of the raw data that is compiled. Based on this information, the statistical reports will differ a bit from past annual reports. I will try to organize the information with some comparisons to last year. Overall the department recorded 3,807 Incidents/Services this year, this being an increase of 24 % from the previous year of 3,064.

### **Traffic – Motor Vehicle Enforcement:**

A total of 956 traffic stops were made in 2011 compared to 642 from last year, being approximately a 49% increase. I would attribute the large increase to the "Operation Safe Commute" This was a program designed by the Commission of Safety, Colonel of State Police and the Chief of Police Association. The objective is high visibility traffic enforcement to stop distracted drivers and other violations. We worked with the program by putting all three officers out at peak traffic time.

### **Accidents:**

A total of 139 vehicle related accidents were reported to dispatch in 2011. The following is a breakdown of those calls:

22.5%	had some type of Injury	77.4%	used restraints, seatbelts, car seats
62.9%	Occurred during daylight hours	11.5%	Indicate weather related incidents
Age of the Operators of these vehicles:		16-21 Years old	5%
		22-45 Years old	37%
		46 and older	57%

14.6 % of these operators were from out of state.

In closing I would again like to thank the Community and Selectboard for their continued support.

*Paul M. Roberts*

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Chief of Police

## Police Department Statistical Data for the last three years

<i>Event</i>	<i>2009</i>	<i>2010</i>	<i>2011</i>	<i>Differ</i>
<i>DWI</i>	4	6	5	-1
<i>Assault</i>	2	1	3	2
<i>Sexual assault</i>	3	6	2	-4
<i>Firing of weapons</i>	3	4	4	0
<i>Theft</i>	23	44	57	13
<i>Fraud</i>	23	16	31	15
<i>Domestic violence</i>	5	1	15	14
<i>Intoxication</i>	0	5	1	-4
<i>Bad checks</i>	5	10	9	-1
<i>Drugs</i>	0	5	11	6
<i>Disorderly conduct</i>	3	6	6	0
<i>Criminal mischief</i>	2	11	12	1
<i>Auto theft</i>	0	0	2	2
<i>Criminal threats</i>	2	6	4	-2
<i>Arson</i>	0	0	1	1
<i>Burglary</i>	5	4	11	7
<i>Alarms</i>	70	110	132	22
<i>Animals</i>	113	113	111	-2
<i>Medical Emer.</i>	48	86	49	-37
<i>Fire calls</i>	20	48	52	4
<i>Motor vehicle</i>	91	84	70	-14
<i>Admin. Relays</i>	1	7	6	-1
<i>Suspicious persons</i>	100	154	153	-1
<i>Trespassing</i>	12	9	8	-1
<i>Missing person</i>	1	2	7	5
<i>Motorist assist</i>	65	71	64	-7
<i>Civil</i>	43	23	16	-7
<i>Open doors</i>	38	21	29	8
<i>House checks</i>	40	45	88	43
<i>Assist other PD'S</i>	119	62	49	-13
<i>Accidents with injury</i>	7	11	17	6
<i>Accidents no injury</i>	52	60	62	2
<i>E 911 calls</i>	25	32	24	-8
<i>Unattended Deaths</i>	2	1	1	0

<i>Juvenile Matters</i>	6	11	8	-3	
<i>Car Unlocks</i>		20	21	1	
<i>Auto Repo's</i>		5	4	-1	
<i>Total Logged Incident</i>	2417	3064	3807	743	24.20%
<i>MV CITATION</i>	59	67	100	33	
<i>MV WARN</i>	241	527	854	327	
<i>Total MV Stops</i>	300	642	954	312	48.60%

**MERIDEN & PLAINFIELD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT**  
Chief's Report

The retirement of long time Chief Dave Best of the Meriden Volunteer Fire Department this year there have been many changes for both the Meriden and Plainfield fire departments. The biggest change is that there is now one chief for both departments. Other Meriden Officers are Deputy Chief Bill Taylor, Captain John Woodward-Poor and Lieutenants Dave Chellis and Jeff LeBlanc. With one chief other members of both departments have assumed new roles and responsibilities to make this arrangement work. On the Plainfield department the death of long time Lieutenant Dave Hollinger has left a void. His position has been filled by Eric Pearce.

The number of calls and inspections for both departments is up dramatically this year. Meriden is up 19% and Plainfield up 24%. The Meriden firefighters spent 687 hours at calls and 664 hours at drills, Plainfield firefighters spent 588 hours at calls and 156 hours at drills this past year.

Both departments continue to do fundraising and grant writing to help keep the tax burden down. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Dave and Alice Best for their years of dedication to the fire departments and to say thank you to the many residents for their donations to help us do what we need to do.

	<b>PVFD</b>	<b>MVFD</b>		<b>PVFD</b>	<b>MVFD</b>
Alarm Activations	20	36	Oil Spill	01	01
Auto Accidents	22	16	Building Insp.	10	KUA
Structure Fires	06	10	Mutaul Aid given:		
Trees/wires	27	13	Lebanon	03	04
Public Assits	05	03	Windsor	01	00
Station Coverage	02	02	Cornish	02	03
Chimney Fire	01	01	Hartland	01	00
Stover/Furnace	03	03	Enfield	01	02
Flooded basement	00	01	Grantham	00	01
EMS Assist	03	01	Investigations	08	03
Sprinkler Activations	00	05	Car Fires	03	03
Water over the road	06	00	CO Alarm	03	00
Police Assist	00	01	River Call	01	00

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Frank Currier*, Chief