2012

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF OFFICERS

OF

BRANDON FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1

BRANDON, VERMONT

ANNUAL MEETING
JANUARY 14, 2013
7:30 PM

1856-2012

## WARNING

The legal voters of the Brandon Fire District No. 1 are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Brandon Town Hall (Basement) at 1 Conant Square in Brandon, Vermont on Monday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2013 AD at 7:30 p.m. to act on the following business:

- 1. To elect a moderator and other officers of the district for the ensuing year?
- 2. To act on the report of the Chief Engineer?
- 3. To fix the compensation to be paid the district officers for the ensuing year?
- 4. To see if the district will vote to adopt the proposed budget of the Prudential Committee, expressing said sum in dollars in the vote?
- 5. To see if the voters will authorize the Prudential Committee to borrow money in anticipation of water rents, if necessary?
- 6. To see if the voters will authorize the Prudential Committee to expend one hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000.00) to replace existing water main on Barlow Avenue? The amount to be paid as follows: \$40,000.00 to be taken from water allocation fees collected; \$30,000 from FEMA grant money collected and \$50,000.00 from capital reserve funds (Tank Fund).
- 7. To do any other business that is proper to be done when met.

Dated at Brandon, Vermont this 6<sup>th</sup> day of December 2012

Seth R Clifford, Clerk

Brandon Fire District No. 1

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Brandon Fire District No.1 held January 9, 2012.

Charles Jakiela called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. He nominated Del Cook as Clerk Pro Tem in the absence of Seth Clifford the District's Clerk & Treasurer and the motion carried.

Charles Jakiela was elected Moderator and he began with the Article 1. Pledge of Allegiance.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Clerk & Treasurer - Seth R. Clifford Prudential Board - Eugene Pagano

Auditors - Richard Baker, Adelbert Cook, and John Moulton

The Fire Chief's report was unanimously accepted as printed in Article 2. the report.

Salaries voted for the ensuing year are: Article 3.

Each Prudential Board Member

\$500.00 \$100.00 - Treasure. Each Auditor

Moderator for Each MeetingClerk for Each Meeting \$10.00

Clerk for Each Meeting \$10.00

The budget was unanimously approved in the amount of Article 4. \$651,449.

- Unanimous approval was given to the Prudential Committee to Article 5. borrow money in anticipation of water rents if necessary.
- The vote to amend Article II, Section 1 of the by-laws of the Article 6. district was passed by a vote of 20 to 5. There was an approved motion to vote by paper ballot and that was done.
- Richard Baker on behalf of the Select Board and the town Article 7. expressed gratitude to the Fire District and Fire Department for help with Hurricane Irene. He indicated it shows strength of this community.

Bernie Carr seconded the comments of Richard's and expressed the department was a great help in saving items in his store.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Minutes written by Del Cook.

Del 9. Cook

### WATER DEPARTMENT REVENUE

	2012 BUDGET	ACTUAL	2013 PROPOSED
WATER RENTS WATER RENT LATE CHARGES	\$445,492.00	\$387,004.93	\$453,311.00
INTEREST	\$16,000.00	\$9,323.43 \$78.23	\$12,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE		\$525.53	
TOTAL REVENUE - WATER	\$461,492.00	\$396,932.12	\$465,311.00
<u>WA</u>	TER DEPARTMENT EXPEN	SES	
ADMINISTRATION MATERIDED	2012 BUDGET	EXPENDED	2013 PROPOSED
ADMINISTRATION - WATER DEPT OFFICERS SALARIES	\$996.00	\$972.00	\$980.00
FICA/MEDICARE EXPENSE	\$75.00	\$73.44	\$75.00
LEGAL FEES	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
PROFESSIONAL AUDIT	\$2,400.00	\$0.00	\$2,400.00
INSURANCE	\$2,500.00	\$2,703.60	\$2,900.00
ANNUAL REPORT	\$840.00	\$920.68	\$1,000.00
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION - WD	\$8,811.00	\$4,669.72	\$8,355.00
	2012 BUDGET	EXPENDED	2013 PROPOSED
WATER DEPARTMENT	ZVIZ DODGE1	LAT LINEU	2010 FROPOSED
OPERATORS SALARIES	\$50,000.00	\$46,910.02	\$52,000.00
COLLECTORS SALARIES	\$10,000.00	\$7,521.64	\$10,000.00
HEALTH INSURANCE	\$22,000.00	\$20,863.43	\$23,000.00
FICA/MEDICARE EXPENSE	\$4,400.00	\$4,164.08	\$4,400.00
VMERS - RETIREMENT TRAINING	\$2,700.00	\$2,822.29	\$3,000.00
WORKERS COMPENSATION	\$300.00	\$183.00	\$300.00
ENGINEERING	\$1,400.00	\$1,473.40	\$1,600.00
WATER TESTING	\$2,000.00 \$2,200.00	\$3,102.15	\$3,000.00
SUPPORT AGREEMENTS	\$2,200.00 \$1,000.00	\$1,335.00 \$587.10	\$2,000.00 \$800.00
WATER/SEWER SERVICES	\$250.00	\$215.00	\$300.00
SNOW REMOVAL	\$3,500.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00
LAWN CARE	\$2,300.00	\$1,662.50	\$2,000.00
WELL MAINTENANCE	\$10,000.00	\$10,079.05	\$10,000.00
METERING	\$2,500.00	\$1,953.02	\$4,000.00
VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$1,500.00	\$833.39	\$1,000.00
BUILDING MAINTENANCE	\$5,250.00	\$5,236.98	\$3,000.00
EQUIPMENT RENTAL	\$1,000.00	\$196.75	\$500.00
INFRASTRUCTURE REPAIR	\$27,000.00	\$27,962.89	\$30,000.00
ROUTE 7 PROJECT VERMONT STATE ASSESSMENT	\$30,000.00	\$8,408.35	\$30,000.00
INSURANCE	\$6,000.00	\$4,891.68	\$6,000.00
TELEPHONE/INTERNET	\$8,800.00 \$2,500.00	\$9,441.00	\$10,000.00
POSTAGE	\$2,500.00 \$2,000.00	\$1,997.01 \$1,582.46	\$2,400.00 \$2,000.00
PROFESSIONAL DUES	\$1,000.00	\$873.00	\$2,000.00 \$1,000.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$1,800.00	\$829.30	\$1,200.00
GENERAL SUPPLIES	\$1,200,00	\$718.81	\$1,000.00
TOOLS/EQUIPMENT	\$2,000.00	\$1,482.02	\$3,000.00
ELECTRICITY	\$47,000.00	\$35,276.97	\$42,000.00
PROPANE	\$8,500.00	\$2,553.67	\$5,000.00
KEROSENE	\$200.00	\$169,84	\$0.00
GAS AND OIL	\$2,700.00	\$2,185.91	\$2,700.00
ROAD MATERIALS/PAVING	\$6,000.00	\$5,825.50	\$10,000.00
OFFICE EQUIPMENT VEHICLE REPLACEMENT	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
WELL LOT #1	\$3,500.00 \$4,000.00	\$3,500.00	\$5,000.00
BOND - DISTRIBUTION		\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
GENERAL FUND REPAYMENT	\$173,681.00	\$173,681.00	\$170,500.00 \$4,756.00
TOTAL - WATER DEPARTMENT	£452 504 AA	£207.040.04	A 2 5 A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION - WD	\$452,681.00 \$8,811.00	\$397,018.21 \$4,669.72	\$456,956.00 \$8,355.00
GRAND TOTAL EXPENSES - WATER DEPT	\$461,492.00	\$401,687.93	\$465,311.00
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#### FIRE DEPARTMENT REVENUE

	<u>2012 BUDGET</u>	ACTUAL	2013 PROPOSED
DISTRICT FIRE TAX	\$167,957.00	\$157,469.84	\$192,903.00
OUTSIDE FIRES	\$22,000.00	\$21,080.00	\$22,000.00
INTEREST	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	\$0.00	\$898.45	\$0.00
TOTAL REVENUE - FIRE	\$189,957.00	\$179,448.29	\$214,903.00
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ADMINISTRATION FIRE DEDT	<u>2012 BUDGET</u>	EXPENDED	2013 PROPOSED
ADMINISTRATION - FIRE DEPT OFFICERS SALARIES	\$650.00	\$648.00	\$650.00
FICA/MEDICARE EXPENSE	\$50.00 \$50.00	\$48.96	\$50.00
LEGAL FEES	\$0.00	\$952.02	\$0.00
PROFESSIONAL AUDIT	\$1,600.00	\$0.00	\$1,600.00
INSURANCE	\$1,550.00	\$1,802.40	\$1,900.00
ANNUAL REPORT	\$600.00	\$613.79	\$700.00
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION - FD	\$4,450.00	\$4,065.17	\$4,900.00
	2012 BUDGET	EXPENDED	2013 PROPOSED
FIRE CHIEF STIPEND	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00
PAYROLL	\$26,000.00	\$25,805.00	\$28,000.00
MEDICAL	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
FICA/MEDICARE EXPENSE	\$2,500.00	\$2,241.96	\$2,600.00
TRAINING	\$1,500.00	\$2,729.95	\$3,000.00
WORKERS COMPENSATION	\$1,100.00	\$2,996.60	\$3,800.00
SUPPORT AGREEMENTS	\$640.00	\$640.00	\$640.00
DATA PROCESSING	\$500.00	\$544.00	\$500.00
SCBA TEST AND REPAIR	\$2,200.00	\$2,299.30	\$2,500.00
METER TEST AND REPAIR WATER/SEWER SERVICES	\$200.00	\$198.00 \$511.01	\$250.00 \$600.00
SNOW REMOVAL	\$400.00 \$900.00	\$511.91 \$290.00	\$900.00
CUSTODIAL SERVICES	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
LAWN CARE	\$200.00 \$700.00	\$585.00	\$700.00
VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$3,260.00	\$3,569.11	\$10,000.00
BUILDING MAINTENANCE	\$3,100.00	\$4,586.36	\$3,100.00
INSURANCE	\$12,200.00	\$15,716.00	\$18,000.00
TELEPHONE/INTERNET	\$2,400.00	\$2,615.05	\$2,800.00
DISPATCH	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,000.00
POSTAGE	\$10.00	\$49.40	\$50.00
COMMUNICATION	\$1,250.00	\$1,266.75	\$1,750.00
PROFESSIONAL DUES	\$1,100.00	\$1,288.00	\$1,000.00
PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT	\$4,800.00	\$3,182.73	\$4,800.00
GENERAL SUPPLIES	\$1,500.00	\$524.22	\$1,500.00
TOOLS/EQUIPMENT	\$8,000.00	\$2,762.35	\$8,000.00
ELECTRICITY	\$2,000.00	\$2,295.00	\$3,400.00
PROPANE	\$14,000.00	\$7,201.43	\$14,000.00
GAS, DIESEL AND OIL	\$2,200.00	\$2,344.75	\$3,000.00
TRUCK PAYMENT	\$22,067.00	\$20,227.79	\$5,500.00
OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,500.00
VEHICLE REPLACEMENT	\$17,578.00	\$17,578.00	\$34,500.00
BOND - FIRE STATION	\$34,800.66	\$34,091.34	\$33,254.78
GENERAL FUND REPAYMENT	\$10,901.34	\$10,901.34	\$1,658.22 \$12.000.00
FERN LAKE REPAYMENT DUNMORE HOSE COMPANY	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$12,000.00 \$500.00
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TOTAL - FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$185,507.00	\$177,041.34	\$210,003.00
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION - FD	\$4,450.00	\$4,065.17	\$4,900.00
GRAND TOTAL EXPENSES - FIRE DEPT	\$189,957.00	\$181,106.51	\$214,903.00

#### FIRE DISTRICT BUDGET

	2012 BUDGET	<u>ACTUAL</u>	2013 PROPOSED
TOTAL REVENUE - WATER DEPT	\$464.402.00	\$396,932.12	¢465 344 AA
TOTAL REVENUE - FIRE DEPT	\$461,492.00 \$189,957.00	\$396,932.12 \$179,448.29	\$465,311.00 \$214,903.00
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TOTAL FIRE DISTRICT REVENUE	\$651,449.00	\$576,380.41	\$680,214.00
	2012 BUDGET	EXPENDED	2013 PROPOSED
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TOTAL EXPENSES - WATER DEPT	\$461,492.00	\$401,687.93	\$465,311.00
TOTAL EXPENSES - FIRE DEPT	<u>\$189,957.00</u>	<u>\$181,106.51</u>	\$214,903.00
TOTAL FIRE DISTRICT EXPENSES	\$651,449.00	\$582,794.44	\$680,214.00
TOTAL FIRE DISTRICT EXPENSES	\$001, <del>44</del> 5.00	\$302,734. <del>44</del>	\$000,214.00
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	TANK FUND		
CASH BALANCE - 11/01/11			\$335,440.40
REVENUE			
INTEREST		\$908.60	
RENTAL INCOME		\$79,264.12	
TOTAL REVENUE (FY 2011-12)		\$80,172.72	
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TOTAL REVENUE			\$415,613.12
EXPENSES		***	
OFFICE EXPENSES ENGINEERING		\$22.95	
MAPLE//GROVE/UNION PROJECT		\$17,382.71 \$175,039.25	
MAPLE/GROVE/UNION LOAN REPAYMENT		\$58,631.40	
		400,0077.10	
TOTAL EXPENSES (FY 2011-12)		\$251,076.31	
CASH BALANCE - 10/31/12			\$164,536.81
CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT - LAKE SUNAPEE BANK	<b>&lt;</b>		\$108,525.12
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TOTAL ASSETS - TANK FUND			\$273,061.93
			A407.547.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES TANK FUND (LSB LOAN AMOU	NT DUE		\$427,517.06
UNION/MAPLE/GROVE PROJECT SUMMARY			
Project consisted of installation of 3900 ft of 12" wa			vater main on Maple,
Russell Lane and a portion of Union Street, 18 fire h	lydrants and 57 service conne	ctions.	
LOAN - LAKE SUNAPEE BANK (Austrailian Ballot 1.	/12/2010:	\$500,000.00	
CAPITAL RESERVE FUND (voter approval 1/11/2010		\$300,000.00	
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TOTAL FUNDS APPROVED		\$800,000.00	

\$786,969.17

\$13,030.83

TOTAL PROJECT COSTS (construction, engineering,etc.)

### FERN LAKE FUND

CASH BALANCE - 11/01/11			\$483,676.96
REVENUE			
CONNECTION FEES		\$12,765.00 \$2.051.91	
INTEREST		\$2,051.91	
FEMA GRANT (Irene) WELL 1 REPAYMENT		\$4,000.00	
VEHICLE REPLACEMENT-FIRE		\$17,578.00	
VEHICLE REPLACEMENT-WATER		\$3,500.00	
ACCOUNTING UPGRADE REPAYMENT		\$4,500.00	
TOTAL REVENUE (FY 2011-12)		\$66,981.67	
TOTAL REVENUE			\$550,658.63
EXPENSES			
FIRE DEPARTMENT VEHICLE REPAIRS		\$30,336.11	
FIRE DEPARTMENT COMMUNICATIONS UPGRADE		\$5,202.40	
WATER DEPARTMENT REPAIRS (TS IRENE)		<u>\$10,675.65</u>	
TOTAL EXPENSES (FY 2011-12)		\$46,214.16	
BALANCE - 10/31/12			\$504,444.47
DUE ACCOUNT			
ACCOUNTING SOFTWARE UPGRADE		\$5,511.76	
SCADA UPGRADE		\$5,000.00	
WELL 1 LAND PURCHASE		\$9,679.00	
WELL 2 REPLACEMENT		\$79,500.36 \$35,538.51	
FIRE DEPARTMENT UPGRADE/REPAIRS		\$35,536.31	
TOTAL DUE ACCOUNT		\$135,229.63	
FUND BALANCES AS OF 10/31/2012			
VEHICLE REPLACEMENT - FIRE DEPT	\$83,050.50		
VEHICLE REPLACEMENT - WATER DEPT	\$32,048.75		
CONNECTION FEES - WATER DEPT	\$43,035.00		
			\$639,674.10
TOTAL ASSETS - FERN LAKE FUND			\$005,014.1U

## REPORT OF THE WATER SUPERINTENDENT

The Water Department completed the Maple Street project this year. A summary of the costs of project are included with the Tank Fund budget. In Article 6 of the warning, the Prudential Committee is asking for authorization to spend up to \$120,000.00 to replace the water main on Barlow Avenue. Replacement of this line would not affect the user rate as we would use monies already collected from water allocation fees collected, FEMA grants (TS Irene) and cellular rents collected from the Tank Fund.

We have been working closely with the Town to address the water main that was compromised during TS Irene. Approval has been received to address the water main as Phase 1 of the Segment 6 project. We would like to thank Town manager Keith Arlund and the Brandon Select board for assistance in dealing with our situation.

The Phase I project will entail installing a 16" ductile iron pipe along the alley between the Brandon Inn and Li's Chinese Restaurant continuing north across the Neshobe River above the dam. The line will continue to the Read property and travel down the northern side of the old Brandon Lumber building to West Seminary Street and continue back to existing mains along Route 7. Provisions are being made during construction to accommodate the ensuing Segment 6 work. Plans have been finalized and right of way work will be addressed in late December -early January. We are hopeful to start the project in early May 2013.

We received final approval for Class 2 designation of our Spring Pond Aquifer. Class 2 designation provides us with better protective measures for this critical aquifer. The Fire District has the distinction of being the first in the State of Vermont to receive the designation.

The Fire District was presented with a proclamation from Governor Shumlin for its groundwater protection efforts at a ceremony organized by Joe Acinapura. There was also a House Resolution by the Legislature that was also presented by Joe It was attended by many of his staff, state and local officials and was held in the Town Hall in May. Links to some portions of the dedication ceremony available on YouTube are provided below:

Governor Peter Shumlin -

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nWoRhEYe8xw&feature=plcp

ANR Secretary Deborah Markowitz -

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SpiCYpDJZcE&feature=plcp

Commerce & Community Development Secretary Lawrence Miller -

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KmBtREo5WCM&feature=plcp

I had the distinct privilege of receiving the newly named Michael J Garofano Water Operator Excellence Award by the Vermont Rural Water Association at a ceremony held in Killington this past May. The award is presented "for outstanding service to the water supply industry." Mike was the chief treatment plant operator from Rutland who tragically lost his life with his son during Tropical Storm Irene. Personally knowing Mike and the type of person he was, it certainly is an honor to be the first to receive this award.

Planning - The Fire District is continuing work on its capital improvement and long range plan to address the future upgrade needs of the water system. Areas still to be addressed are undersized water mains for fire hydrants, inadequate distribution lines and implementation of a backflow protection program. We are working with Public Works Supt Brian Sanderson to coordinate potential projects for costs savings to the Town.

Water Production - We produced about 137 million gallons of water from November 2011 through October 2012 compared to 138 million gallons in the previous year.

The Budget - The water rate will raise 5cents to \$4.80/1000 gallons for the ensuing year. There are small increases in areas like insurance, infrastructure repair but have seen some savings from installation of our new heating system at the office. We have budgeted \$30,000.00 for the Route 7 project in anticipation of Fire District's cost of the Phase 1 project (Segment 6). Overall, the proposed budget is up slightly from the previous year.

#### Water Rate Structure

Base Charge - \$56.00 month/per Equivalent Residential Unit Consumption Charge - \$4.80 per thousand gallons

The Fire District would like to thank all of its citizens for your support. Your support allows us to continue to provide "the best quality tap water in the State of Vermont."

Respectfully Submitted.

Raymond J. Counter Water Superintendent

### REPORT OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER

In 2012 the Fire Department responded to 140 emergency calls.

Brandon	110	Leicester	24	
Goshen	4	Mutual Aid	2	

The following is a breakdown of the types of calls we responded to:

Alarm Activations	25	Electrical Fires	3
Auto Accidents/Extrication	42	Carbon Monoxide Calls	13
Grass/Brush Fires	13	Trash/Rubbish Fires	5
Structure Fires	5	Oil/Gas Spills	1
Vehicle Fires	7	Miscellaneous Calls	21
Chimney Fires	5		

This has been an eventful and challenging year for the Fire Department. At the April elections, the members of the Dunmore Hose Company decided to make a change in the leadership of the Department. Eric Mallory was elected Chief Engineer, I was elected as the Deputy Chief and Steve Bilodeau was elected Assistant Chief. Due to health reasons, Eric Mallory had to temporarily stop performing firefighting activities and resigned as Chief. The members then decided to move each officer up one position, and elected a new Second Lieutenant. Eric continues working with his physicians and is improving and hopes to be able to return to active firefighting. He remains an important part of the fire company and has been instrumental in helping the company and department through the transition.

We have thirty-one (31) active members on the fire department who dedicated a total of 2,580 hours of time to the community, 780 of these hours were training and drills. I want to recognize the top responders in terms of hours for fire calls and training, excluding myself, who were Lieutenant Scott Trask with 147 hours, Jeremiah Shaw with 143 hours, Roger Bougor with 136 hours and Gene Pagano with 131 hours. I know that each of these, and the rest of the membership, also spend many untracked hours working on fire department tasks, and I want to thank each of them for their dedication.

Our main mission is protecting life and property. To ensure the safety of both the community and the firefighters themselves, we need to make sure our equipment is up-to-date and maintained, and that our firefighters are trained and equipped to respond to emergencies. This year we have three members enrolled in Firefighter I class, which consists of 194 hours of training. We also have had members take advantage of other classes offered by the Rutland and Addison County Fire Schools including advanced extrication, leadership and rapid intervention training.

Our training with our mutual aid partners in Pittsford, Salisbury and Chittenden has included school bus extrication and water supply drills. We now have automatic mutual aid agreements, where these departments will be dispatched at the same time for certain types of calls to ensure a quick response of firefighting assets. We continue to work in partnership with the Brandon Area Rescue Squad and the Brandon Police Departments to make our community safer.

The proposed budget has increased. Part of this increase is due to a significant rise in the cost of insurance. The worker compensation insurance cost, for example, has more than doubled. The other main increases are due to issues discovered during the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) and ISO required annual fire engine pump tests. All of our engines required significant repairs in order to pass the required inspection. NFPA also requires inspection by a third-party of all air bottles and air packs. It was determined at the time of the inspection that many bottles were out-of-date and could not be used safely until tested. We also conducted required ladder testing.

Additional funds were expended complying with new FCC regulations regarding radio and pager transmissions. We were required to have all equipment reprogrammed or replace equipment that was too

#### REPORT OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER

old to be reprogrammed in order to accommodate the new FCC "narrow banding" requirements which we had to be in compliance with by the end of 2012.

I am happy to report that all of these essential safety issues have been addressed, but it required expending funds not budgeted. We have spread out the repayment of these monies over a three-year period in order to lessen the financial impact.

Our vehicle maintenance budget has increased for 2013. We have contracted with the fire apparatus manufacturer (KME) to take over the maintenance of the apparatus. Fire apparatus require specialized knowledge of standards and maintenance protocols in order to ensure their safe operation. We are also developing preventative in-house vehicle checks to ensure issues are recognized and action taken promptly.

A main reason for the increased maintenance costs is the age of the firefighting fleet. We need to be proactive and ensure that we adequately fund the replacement vehicle budget. This line-item has also increased.

I want to greatly thank the Prudential Board as well as the Water Superintendent Ray Counter for their support during this leadership transition and the unexpected fiscal issues we faced. They may not be the ones that put the fires out, but without their help and support our job would be much more difficult.

#### Some reminders:

A burn permit is required to do any outside burning. The only things that may be burned are untreated wood products, brush, leaves and lumber that has not been painted. This is for your SAFETY. At NO TIME may household garbage be burned. A burn permit may be obtained by contacting the State Forest Fire Warden Linwood Bovey at (802) 342-7129. You must obtain a burn permit at least 24 hours before you intend to conduct the burn.

WORKING SMOKE AND CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS SAVE LIVES! Please test your smoke detectors at least twice per year, but preferably monthly.

### PLAN YOUR FIRE OR EMERGENCY EVACUATION!

Know the route you will take and alternate routes out of your residence. Plan a designated meeting area so you can tell the first responders if everyone is out of the building. Once you have evacuated, do not return into the building until you have been told it is safe to do so.

GET YOUR CHIMNEY/FURNACE/WOOD BURNING/PELLET STOVE CLEANED AND INSPECTED ANNUALY.

The Fire Department is always looking for new members. Please stop by during drill time to discuss becoming a member. Our doors are also open if you have questions. We are at the station from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for drills the second and third Wednesdays of each month and we welcome visitors.

Respectfully submitted,

Roman Wdowiak Chief Engineer

#### OFFICERS OF THE DISTRICT

Charles Jakiela Moderator

Seth R. Clifford Clerk

**Prudential Committee** 

Term Expires 2013 Wavne C Platt Term Expires 2014 Tom S Whittaker Term Expires 2015 Eugene A Pagano

Seth R. Clifford Treasurer

Adelbert Cook Auditors Richard Baker

John Moulton

WATER DEPARTMENT

Raymond Counter Water Superintendent

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Roman Wdowiak Chief

Steven Bilodeau **Deputy Chief** Roland Euber **Assistant Chief** 

## MEMBERS OF THE DUNMORE HOSE COMPANY

As of November 1, 2012

Eric LaRock, Captain Adam Harrison, President Scott Trask, Lieutenant Michael Jensen, Vice President Nathan Cram, Lieutenant Jeremy Arnold, Secretary

Thomas Kilpeck Scott Bertrand Michael R Lee Jessie Bilodeau Michael S Lee Steven Bilodeau Shawn Lounsbury Roger Bougor Matthew Mallory Linwood Bovey Jason Martin David Dushaney Janner Morgan Roland Euber Eugene Pagano

Stephanie Giard Charles Rivers Wayne Giard. Andrew Schauwecker Harry E Hunt

Jeremiah Shaw Harry L Hunt Roman Wdowiak Thomas Keck, Sr

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