



POWNAL FIRE & RESCUE DEPARTMENT

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Select Board,

Since my last report the Pownal Fire and Rescue Department has responded to 5 calls for service. Two motor vehicle accidents, two mutual aid requests, and a structure fire on Upper Minot Rd. Both MVA's occurred in Pownal Center and no serious injuries were reported. Of the two mutual aid requests, one was to Durham to assist with a Carbon Monoxide call and the other was to North Rd. in North Yarmouth for a structure fire. I think it's important to note that on the Saturday the 13th Pownal crews responded to 2 fires in a 13 hour period. All performed honorably and safely. At the Upper Minot Rd. fire Pownal was assisted by crews from Freeport, Durham, Yarmouth, and No. Yarmouth. New Gloucester provided coverage to Pownal from their station as their trucks do not fit in our station. A very special thank you goes out from the department to Selectman Andy O'Brien for going to No. Pownal station and bringing Tank 4 to the fire!

More members received their first round of Covid-19 vaccine this week and are scheduled to receive their second in the future. As of this time everyone requesting vaccination has either been vaccinated or in the process of completing their vaccines. Four members have chosen to not get the vaccine at this time.

The furnace at the Center station developed a water leak this past weekend. Dog House Energy Service sent a tech over and determined that the water leak was coming from the condensate tray on the furnace. The nipple that holds the tube on was completely broke off. The condensate tray must be replaced. The part has been ordered and the repairs will be made sometime next week. The tech advised that this was not a critical issue.

The washing machine at Center Station that we use to decontaminate fire and EMS gear is not working. This unit was never designed as a gear washer, but has been used for this purpose since its purchase. We have yet to determine what repairs will be needed to fix it. In the interim No. Yarmouth, Freeport, and Durham have all offered up their machines for our use.

Finally, we have two estimates on the refresh for Engine 2. One from Allegiance Trucks and one from North East Apparatus. I'm waiting on a quote from Greenwood Apparatus. Once all are received I will compare the quotes and make a decision on which direction we will go.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chief Jesse Peters