



BRIDGTON FIRE DEPARTMENT



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September was a busy month for your Bridgton Fire Department. There were 47 emergency responses with one structure fire that the department provided mutual aid to next door in Denmark. The department also responded to a well involved pickup truck fire on September 18th. These previous two incidents were in addition to the usual vehicle accidents, smoke scares, wires down etc.

The department held two training sessions with one session being split with part of the exercise here in town and Engine # 6 going to Fryeburg and assisting with flow testing at the fairgrounds in preparation for the fair beginning on the 30th.

Our request to have NFPA 1 and 101 become part of Bridgton's community risk reduction program through ordinance has been approved by the Board of Selectmen and is now on the warrant for approval in the November elections. This is the culmination of many hours of research, planning, writing, and educating not only the Select board but also the planning board and town management.

The Fire Department airboat has finished the painting on the airboat hull. This is a high-tech finish and required extensive curing time between coats. The bottom of the hull has 18 layers using two different type of coatings. On Sunday September 23rd, the boat was taken to Highland Lake for float testing. The hull is now completely sealed and ready for reassembly of the upgraded components. The new engine is complete and is currently in transit for the next phase of the project. Our members are continuing to put countless hours toward this project.

The Bridgton Fire Department responded to a total of 47 incidents during the month of September with Denmark receiving mutual aid for well involved structure fire as well as a "carry out" assist.

The following is the monthly breakdown.

September 2018 Response Log:

Alarm system activation, no fire- unintentional: 6
Alarm system sounded due to malfunction: 7
Authorized controlled burning:
Animal rescue:
Arcing, shorted electrical equipment:
Building Fire: 1
Brush or brush-and-grass mixture fire:
Central Station, malicious false alarm:
Chimney or flue fire confined:
Citizen complaint:
CO Incident:
CO detector activation due to malfunction:
CO detector activation, no CO:
Cover assignment standby move up: 1
Dispatched and cancelled en route: 5

Motor vehicle accident with injuries: 2
Motor vehicle accident no injuries:
Motor vehicle/pedestrian accident (MV Ped):
Mutual aid: 3
Natural vegetation fire, other:
No incident found on arrival at dispatch address: 1
Oil or other combustible liquid spill:
Passenger vehicle fire: 1
Power line down: 3
Public service assistance, other:
Refrigeration leak: 1
Removal of victim(s) from stalled elevator:
Search for person on land:
Search for person in water:
Severe weather or natural disaster, other:

Dumpster or other outside trash receptacle fire:
Electrical wiring / equipment problem, other: 1
Explosion (no fire), other:
Extrication, rescue, other:
Gas leak (natural gas or LPG): 1
Gasoline or other flammable liquid spill: 2
Good intent call, other:
Hazardous condition, other: 7
Lock-in:
Lock-out:
Medical assist, assist EMS crew: 3
Mobile property (vehicle) fire, other:
Motor vehicle accident general cleanup:

Severe weather or natural disaster, standby:
Smoke scare / odor of smoke: 3
Smoke detector activation due to malfunction:
Smoke detector activation, no fire unintentional: 1
Special outside fire, other:
Special type incident, other:
Swimming/recreational water areas rescue:
Unauthorized burning: 1
Unintentional transmission of alarm, other:
Water and ice related rescue:
Water Problem, other:
Watercraft rescue:
Water or Steam leak:

Total Responses for September 2018: 47

Respectfully submitted,

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