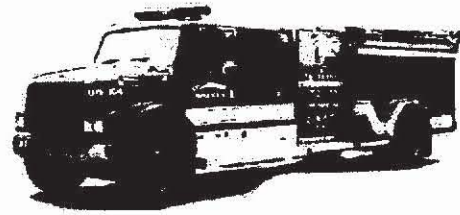


Williamsburg Fire Department

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The Fire Department responded to 203 calls in 2006. This is 6 more calls than in 2005. Although we had no major fires in Williamsburg in 2006, we did respond mutual aid to surrounding towns for serious fires. The majority of our calls in 2006 were automobile accidents. In the fall of 2006 we responded to an average of 1 accident per day. These mainly occurred on Route 9 between the Brassworks and the Bridge & High street intersection.

Each year we are asked to do more with no increase in our budget. Keeping up with increased costs such as fuel, heating oil, servicing and maintaining equipment, as well as trainings such as CPR & First Responder certification is almost impossible. The firefighters are the lowest paid employees in town with the highest amount of training. The basic training required to become a certified firefighter is over 160 hours. In addition to those hours, the fire department trains at least two nights per. month. This training not only is part of our job, but it also ensures the safety of others as well as our members.

We received a \$2000.00 grant in 2006 for SAFE education in our schools. Matt Bruso is our SAFE educator and is doing a fine job.

We received our new Engine II from E One Fire Apparatus company in May of 2006 and it is servicing us well.

I would like to thank everyone who has sent us donations this past year, it has helped defray some costs and has helped to keep us operating.

I especially want to thank all those involved with the fire department for a job well done!

Donald Lawton

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