

**Bristol Fire Department
Station 2
151 Hill Street
2020 Year End Report**

Summary

The year started like any other with 20 area surveys in the first two months of the year. However with the onset of the Covid pandemic and restrictions on activities, companies shifted to exterior surveys. The information gathered during these surveys includes location of water supplies, fire department connections for standpipes and sprinklers and preplanning the optimum location for placement of pumpers and the tower. Station 2 personnel responded to 465 calls for service for the year.

Personnel

Many personnel changes were made this year despite covid restrictions. The retirement of Lt. Ken Marek left a vacancy that was filled with the promotion of Lt. Steve Barnosky. FF Gary Buzzell was promoted to Fire Inspector which left another vacancy to be filled. FF's Deven Yudelson and Ryan Chapin spent some time here doing rotational orientation. FF Adam Dellaventura was transferred to Station 2 on A shift.

Apparatus/Equipment

The old Amkus extrication tool was replaced in September by a new battery powered unit. The new tool is the latest technology and is able to be deployed in a fraction of the time of the old unit without giving up performance. CP-17 was able to be utilized by the LEPC during the Covid-19 testing that took place downtown.

Fire Stations/Facilities

A new roof was installed on Station 2 in September. A few bugs needed to be worked out but the overall installation went off without any major incidents. Public works has also been busy keeping up with some needed repairs such as replacing old lighting fixtures and replacing damaged ceiling tiles. There were some issues with the overhead doors and the repairs should keep them working smoothly for a while. Hopefully the back ramp and parking area will be on the slate for replacement soon.

Miscellaneous

This past year has been a stressful time for all first responders and health care workers dealing with Covid-19. Several members tested positive and many others were quarantined due to possible exposure. The steps taken to limit the possible outbreak have kept the department running and things could have been much worse. On behalf of the members of Station 2, we would like to thank Chief Mark Flynn for his service and congratulate him on his retirement.

Respectfully submitted,
Captain David J. Simard