

Fire Marshals report to the Somers Fire Commission Oct. 21, 2011

Construction is under way at 75 Battle Street for phase 2 of the senior housing complex.

I just finished my review of the sprinkler and dry standpipe system at the large 2 story unit.

Tuesday I witnessed the annual test of the sprinkler and standpipe system of Phase 1 at 73 Battle.

The test was conducted by the CHUBB Corp. and while I was there I had them try to flow the standpipe system, and they found out it was a dry system not a wet system.

Phase 2 will be piped the same way. When you feed the fire department connection it backs up the sprinkler and feeds the standpipe system.

Fire Prevention programs for 2011 have begun under the direction of Deputy Fire Marshal, Glen Reynolds. Programs at daycare and in our schools will go on for two weeks. Last Sunday the 16<sup>th</sup> at the Pancake Breakfast at the Firehouse, fire safety programs were given. The Enfield Fire Department smoke/escape house was used. Sparky fire safety banners are up at the Firehouse and over the front door of Town Hall. Colorful posters are in the Schools, Library and Town hall bulletin boards.

Glen Reynolds, and I attended a two day Conference and seminar at Auburn Mass. It was sponsored by the New England Fire Marshals Assoc. and 13 CEU, s were earned.

Glen and I will be attending the two days Connecticut Fire Marshal Conference at the Rocky Hill Marriot on Nov. 29, 30, 2011. We will each earn 16 CEU, s.

I ordered and received 20 hydrant markers on Oct. 14, 2011. Todd at Public works ordered 60 hydrant markers for me in his budget and they came in yesterday, Oct.18, 2011. I brought all 80 to the Firehouse and we can install the needed 60 and have some in reserve. There are 203 hydrants in Somers.

Complaints have been made to First Selectman, Lisa Pellegrini recently about the Old Mill building being occupied by trespassing teens and others. I made a full inspection Tuesday Oct 18, 2011, of the Mill and found 3 areas wide open and un-boarded, two, doors and a window. I took pictures and I will abate the owners. I will include my recent photos and the State Fire Code, section, 10.14.2 thru 10.14.4, safeguarding vacant premises and securing all accesses and preventing unauthorized entry.

We had a second ceiling collapse from a water leak in above ceiling tile air conditioner at my office at town Hall. The first was back in May. Fire dept. did a fantastic salvage and overhaul job.

47 burn permits issued for \$1175.00

51 other FM permits issued for \$2,907.00

Burn Permits Up \$300. Other Permits Down \$500. No blasting permits yet. 3 were Issued last year.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Robert J. Morpurgo

Fire Marshal report to the Somers Fire Commission, August 18, 2011

Sprinkler head installed in room containing oil tank, hot water heater and fire alarm, slop sink for janitor, at the Somers senior center on Battle Street.

Hydrant picked up at firehouse for re-installing at 40 Scitico Rd. damaged during Jan. snow storm by plow. To be paid for by property owner (DO-All Dry Wall) Co. at that address (INSTALLED TODAY 8/18/11)

<sup>Rec'd</sup>  
~~Waiting for~~ new hyd. for 100 Maple St., missing since Jan. 11<sup>th</sup>. snow storm. Town to pay \$3,000. (INSTALLED TODAY 8/18/11)

Construction started on the 3<sup>rd</sup> phase of Woodcrest Senior Housing, on Battle Street. Plans reviewed.

Met Super for the project at the const. trailer on site. I went over some issues that happened on the last phase and had him remove large piles of insulation stored too close to combustibles near trailer.

I provided a color layout, in clear plastic of the entire finished project site, to the Somers Fire Department for their pre-plan books carried on the fire apparatus for future incidents and responses.

Witnessed 5 tanks removed from Xtra Mart, 169 Main Street. Two new 15,000 gallon tanks going in at site. One tank is regular gas The other split tank 7,000 gallons of. Hi-test and 7000 gallons of Diesel fuel.

Tanks purged, removed and chain of custody and soil sample results received. Pictures taken and added to file with all the test results. Had a collapse at the site, heavy rain on 8/7/11. Tanks tied down to pad.

Abated 3 family apt. on 159 Main Street. New steps and hand rails and new smoke alarms installed by owner.

Met with Bartholomew elec. at the Four Town Fairgrounds, construction site of the large exhibition building which collapsed in Jan. 10-11 snow storm. New bldg. has illuminated exit signs and EM lites. We also viewed the new 30/60 ft. storage/maint. Bldg. illum. exit/EM lites added and wires in conduit/GFI.

I paid \$1,000 to Tolland Co. 911 Center to monitor our 5 Town buildings for 1 year.

I paid \$832.50 for renewal of N.F.P.A. Code subscription, in printed format.

I paid \$4,000 down payment to Total Protection Security Sys. LLC. for new \$20,000 fire alarm system at Town Hall, complying with N.F.P.A.72.

I paid \$295.00 for a 3 day training seminar for Fire Inspector Jeremy Simmons at Wallingford, Ct.

8/15/ 16/17 -2011, I inspected and issued permits for Hartford County 4-H Fair, tents and concessions and horse show and amusements. The event is Aug. 19, 20, 21, of 2011.

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Robert J. Marjuszko  
8/18/11