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Report of The Fire Department

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To: The Board of Selectmen
and William Manzi, Town Manager

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We'd like to start off by wishing all of the Mother's a belated Happy Mother's Day. We hope everyone had a great day. We were lucky to have a pretty decent day weather wise, which hopefully meant everyone was able to get outside and visit with friends and family.

We had a great night bringing the Easter Bunny through town last month! We had a great time and saw hundreds of people out on the sides of the road, even with the light rain and cooler temps we still had so many families outside waiting with signs for the Easter Bunny. We hope this will become an annual tradition going forward. We wanted to thank our Police Department and our volunteers at the Fire Department for helping make the night happen.

With the passing of our warrant article in March, the Fire Department's Truck Committee has met numerous times and has taken tours of other fire department's to see their engines and the various options out there. They have begun meeting with vendors and started working towards acquiring quotes on a new engine. We will keep the Board and Town Manager up to speed as we narrow in on the vendor.



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As COVID is still a concern we have been able to roll back some of our COVID protocols in the station. We hope that the vaccine will continue to be part of the answer to this pandemic. We have had to continue to adjust our policies and procedures with the times. Each time the CDC, State, or Federal Government adjust their policies we usually make an adjustment a few weeks to a month after. We have maintained low positive cases in our department which I believe is completely on our department members' efforts to stay safe and follow the guidelines.

As we head into the summer months which are traditionally more busy for our department we hope to see not only our department but the public at large continue trending in the right direction with the number of new cases. We are just as anxious as everyone else to put this behind us and move forward.

A few Safety notes as the warmer weather moves in, please remember to stay hydrated and make sure those around you are too. We see a lot of younger and older patients who have not done a great job of staying hydrated, so remember to drink a lot of water on the warm and muggy days to come. When you head out to the Beach or a Lake be sure to have your sunscreen and something to provide shade. Heat exhaustion and heat stroke are two of our most popular calls in June, July, and August. Make sure you find ways to get a break from the sun and stay cool.

We hope everyone has a Safe and Happy Summer!

Respectfully,

William J Edwards

Fire Chief