

# AYER FIRE DEPARTMENT

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## MONTHLY REPORT SELECTMEN FIRE DEPARTMENT JANUARY 2013

January was a busy month for the department with two working fires. The extended cold weather this month caused many residents to use alternate heat sources. A space heater was to blame for the first working fire of the month.

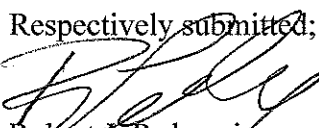
January 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 20:51 Dispatch received a call for a fire at 11 Groton School Lot 18. The mobile home unoccupied at the time was fully involved in fire. The towns of Devens, Shirley and Harvard assisted in mutual aid to the fire. The mobile home on lot #11 suffered heat damage from the fire at lot 18. The fire was investigated by Fire Captain Fillebrown and Ayer Police Detective Kularski. The cause of the fire was determined to be from a space heater. The fire caused an estimated \$50,000 in damage. No injuries were reported.

January 31<sup>st</sup> @19:09 Dispatch received a call for a fire at 90 Pleasant St. The fire was reported to be a mattress on the porch. The porch was fully involved in fire upon arrival and the fire extended into the porch ceiling and due to balloon framing into the structure in several places. This fire went to two alarms and required mutual aid from the Towns of Devens, Shirley, Harvard, Littleton and Lunenburg. The fire was investigated by Ayer Fire Captain Fillebrown, Ayer Police Detective Kularski and State Trooper Jones assigned to the State Fire Marshal's office. The cause of the fire was attributed to a faulty electrical outlet. This fire caused an estimated \$100,000 in damage. No injuries were reported, and several of the family's pets were rescued from the fire.

Fire Incidents January -- 55  
Ambulance Calls January -- 109

Permit receipts January -- \$870  
Ambulance revenue January -- \$41,251

Respectively submitted;

  
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