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MONTHLY REPORT SELECTMEN FIRE DEPARTMENT AUGUST 2018

- August 10th there was a large fire at the Sandy Pond HVDC on Raddison Rd. The fire was in a piece of
 electrical equipment attached to the building. This is a critical facility for the region providing 10% of
 the power to the Northeast. The Towns of Devens, Shirley, Littleton and Lunenburg assisted either at the
 fire or covering our station.
- August 24 Pan Am Railways in conjunction with GATX conducted a training class for the department
 on rail tank cars. These tank cars carry all types of hazardous materials through Town daily. The tank
 cars are built and leased by GATX. A special train owned by GATX was transported to a siding at the
 old car unloading facility on Berkshire Blvd. This train has a classroom with a training tank car attached.
 Identification of different valves used on these tank cars along with recommendations for closing
 damaged valves were learned.
- Ambulance calls through August are running one hundred and forty six above last year's totals on that
 date a 13% increase. The area is growing in population and traffic and demand for services is ever
 increasing.
- Ambulance calls August 127
- Fire calls August 61
- Ambulance receipts August- \$41,703.37
- Permit receipts August \$ 2,160

Respectfully submitted;

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