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TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT
JUNE 30, 2014

Attached please find correspondence from the office of the Town Manager for your review. Thank you.

Charles J. Cristello
Town Manager

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Selectmen

FROM: Caroline R. LaCroix, Assistant to the Town Manager 

RE: Fire Incident at Middleborough Town Hall – June 24, 2014

DATE: June 27, 2014

The Town Manager's Office would like to recognize all of the town departments who assisted in the fire incident which took place at the Middleborough Town Hall on Tuesday, June 24, 2014.

The swift and immediate action taken by Karen Foye, Cable Access Administrator, to alert the Town Manager's Office of the smoke outside of the building and her quick thinking to grab a fire extinguisher and go outside and extinguish the shrubs on fire were exemplary.

William Taylor, Electric Manager of the G & E was on scene with a fire extinguisher and the staff of the Gas & Electric Customer Service Department placed the initial call to 911. Their immediate response and aid were remarkable.

The Fire Department was on scene within minutes as one of the fire engines was travelling on South Main Street. Additional fire personnel arrived shortly thereafter as a result of the 911 call from the Gas & Electric followed by master box signalization from the town hall itself. Fire Department personnel on scene included Captain Tim Reed, Captain Glenn MacNayr, Captain Dana Fontaine, Lieutenant Richard Emond, Lieutenant Scott Rebell, Lieutenant David Taylor, Firefighter Carl Reed III, Firefighter Stephen Silva, Call Firefighter Shawn Hogan, Firefighter Thomas Melucci, Firefighter Larry Fahey, Firefighter Michael Allie, Firefighter Tim Andrews, Firefighter John Souza, Firefighter Michael Dimond, Firefighter John Gallant and Firefighter William Lieb. The efforts put forth by each and every firefighter to extinguish the smoke in the eaves and carefully remove exterior pieces of the building, hose down the front of the building and check and secure all levels of the town hall were extraordinary.

Police department personnel secured the parking lot to ensure the safety of employees and spectators and closed Nickerson Avenue to traffic. Police officers names in the police log included Lieutenant Robert Ferriera, Officer George Andrade and Sergeant Marc Pontes. Their presence ensured the safety of employees and residents at the scene which was essential.

Building Commissioner Robert Whalen was on site to inspect the exterior and interior of the building and provided advice to this office during and following the incident which was beneficial to this department and in dealing with the insurance company.

All of the departments involved in the response to the incident deserve recognition. Were it not for the quick actions of many, the damage sustained could have been far worse to our historic landmark. With sincerest appreciation and gratitude to all departments from the Office of the Town Manager.

MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Selectmen
From: Caroline R. LaCroix, Assistant to the Town Manager *CL*
Re: Middleborough Town Hall Request for Usage
Date: June 19, 2014

Please be advised of the following approvals:

Sign Approvals

Middleborough Farmer's Market signage to advertise new location at Oliver Mill Park. Sign dates June 16 – mid October.

East Middleborough 4-H Community Committee to advertise Royal Lipizzan Stallions Show July 25 – 27 at East Middleborough 4-H Club House, Route 105, East Middleborough. Sign dates June 20 – July 28.

Grant Awards

Massachusetts Civil War Sesquicentennial Commission FY14 Preservation Grant program for \$1,637.50 for preservation of Civil War records.

Thank you.