

Town Manager's Report Monday, November 28, 2011

To: Board of Selectmen
From: Christopher Whelan, Town Manager

Coordination Meeting: The Fall Coordination Meeting is on Saturday, December 3 beginning at 8:30 a.m. in the Hearing Room of the Town House. There, Town boards and committees will give a preliminary idea of the kinds of articles they will be presenting to Town Meeting in the Spring.

Following are some of the matters reported on this week by various Town Departments:

FIRE

Apparatus: On Wednesday November 21 the Fire Dept. took delivery of our New Ladder 1. Over the next week or two, the Department will be installing equipment and the dealer will be conducting orientation training for Fire personnel.

Unusual Emergency Responses: On Wednesday, November 21 Engine 4 responded mutual aid to the Town of Stow for a house fire. Unfortunately this fire involved the fatality of a resident.

Other: On November 29, 30 and December 1 and 2 the CFD will be conducting "Rapid Intervention" training (or RIT). This physically demanding training involves 'MAY DAY' operations where firefighters will need to rescue firefighters. The training will be located on the old Arena Farms property each day from 8:00 a.m. - noon. A smoke machine will be in use, but no fires will be lit.

LIBRARY

Friends Holiday Book Sale: The 2011 Holiday Book Sale is December 2 (9am-4pm), 3 (9am-4pm) & 4 (1pm-4pm) in the Main Library Lobby. The event is sponsored by the Friends of the Concord Free Public Library.

POLICE

Operational Services: On Monday November 21, officers responded to Crosby's Mobil Station for a report of a subject exhibiting odd behavior. Upon arrival, officers located the subject in a running motor vehicle behind the building. Upon investigation, officers determined that the subject was intoxicated and should not be driving. The operator was arrested and charged with drunk driving. It was also learned that the vehicle the subject was

in had previously been reported stolen. The operator was also charged with receiving stolen property. The vehicle was returned to its owner.

On Friday, November 25 at 1:00 am, officers were involved in a motor vehicle pursuit on Route 2. The vehicle was traveling into the Rotary at a high rate of speed and was subsequently stopped by officers at the intersection of Walden Street. The operator was arrested on several motor vehicle charges and stated that he didn't realize he had to stop for the officers. Pursuant to Department policies and procedures, the incident is being reviewed internally.

On Sunday November 27, officers stopped a vehicle on Walden Street for an erratic operation complaint. Upon further investigation, officers determined that the operator was intoxicated and was arrested and charged with first offense drunk driving. Our officers continue to do a good job of seeking out and apprehending drunken drivers.

Community Services: On Thursday November 24, officers assisted with several functions that took place in Town. The first was to assist with crowd control at Papa Razzi's restaurant the night before Thanksgiving. The second was the annual Turkey Trot Road Race. Officers reported a turnout of close to 400 runners, and assisted all in ensuring a safe event. The final event of the day was the annual CCHS versus Bedford High School football game. The weather provided a comfortable day which encouraged a very large turnout. Officers assisted with parking, crowd control, and safety for all. All three events took place safely and without incident.