



With the passing of the fire levy in 2010, the Washington Township Fire Station is staffed with two personnel, both firefighters, one paramedic, Monday through Friday 7:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. As a result of this staffing, we have decreased the average response time during the day to approximately four minutes from dispatch. As of October 4, we have responded to 464 calls.

During 2012, the interior of the fire station has been completely remodeled and updated. The majority of the work was done by members of the fire department on their own time! A separate meeting area, kitchen, dayroom and new restrooms and showers have been created with this project. This provides for a quieter, more modern environment for Trustee meetings and other department functions. Feel free to stop by during the day and take a look around!

The fire department continues to update and maintain the apparatus and equipment that is used. New hose, self contained breathing apparatus and a rescue squad have recently been approved for purchase by the Board of Trustees. These purchases will help to ensure that members of the department are provided the most up to date equipment allowing them to do their job as safely as possible and provide you with the best service possible.

A tragic accident earlier this year reminded us all of how precious life is. Firefighter Joe Tadijanac was seriously injured on a mutual aid structure fire and consequently had both of his legs amputated above the knee. This is the first injury of this magnitude in the 63 year history of the fire department. Joe is home and progressing extremely well, both physically and mentally. His ultimate goal is to return to the fire department and continue to serve as a firefighter and EMT. With the positive attitude, hard work and enthusiasm that he has shown so far, there is no doubt that this goal is well within reach!

The members of the Washington Township Fire Department are extremely grateful for all the

support you have given to us over the years. Thank you!

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