

**ANNUAL  
REPORT**



***SUGAR CAMP FIRE  
DEPARTMENT  
4059 CAMP FOUR ROAD***

**2016**





### **Gary and May Busko provide training structure for Sugar Camp Fire Department**

Well over a year ago, Chief Goeldner was approached by Gary Busko asking the if the fire department would be interested in using the vacant building as a training building. The fire department was definitely interested in using an actual structure for monthly trainings. Chief Goeldner and Lieutenant & Training Officer Kaphingst coordinated several hands-on training activities in the fall of 2016 (*see page 13*) that cannot normally be conducted in a realistic manner without an acquired structure.

On behalf of the Sugar Camp Fire Department, we would like to thank Gary and May Busko for their generosity and support towards the fire department's training of firefighters.

Photo courtesy of: Jason R Goeldner



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# **Sugar Camp Fire Department**

## **Mission Statement**

*“In service to the residents and visitors of the Town of Sugar Camp, we deliver fire suppression and rescue services within the capabilities of our training and resources, in a safe and efficient manner”.*

## **Purpose**

*“The purpose of the Sugar Camp Fire Department shall be for the prevention of fires, to safeguard the lives of people, protect property and effectively suppress fires and perform rescue operations to the best of our abilities”.*



# Sugar Camp Fire Department

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*Chief: Jason Goeldner  
Asst. Chief: Jeff McDonald*

April 18, 2016

Scott Holewinski, Town Chairman  
Chris Rhode, Town Supervisor  
Paul Sowinski, Town Supervisor

The Residents of the Town of Sugar Camp:

It is my privilege to submit the 2016 annual report to the Town of Sugar Camp. We responded to 60 calls for service in 2016 with motor vehicle accidents and weather related incidents accounting for 57 percent of the responses. Other responses included: building fires, wildland fires and public service calls which include Medic XI assists, investigations of smoke and alarms. A breakdown of the incidents can be found on the 2016 Activity Report on page 16. The requirements of Wisconsin Department of Safety & Professional Services (DSPS) were again met with fire prevention efforts including a day at the Sugar Camp Elementary School and through fire inspections. Certification is required annually by the town clerk and fire chief of each municipality.

Additional activities this year include monthly fire department meetings and trainings. The fire department meets on the first Monday of each month to discuss previous month's responses, community events, and fire department activity. Monthly training is held this evening to maintain our competencies in firefighting strategies and tactics. A breakdown of the 2016 Training Activities can be found on page 13. The Chief also represents the fire department monthly by attending the bi-monthly Oneida County Chief's meeting & the bi-monthly MABAS Wisconsin 114 Association and through the North Central Fire Chief's Association.

I would like to take this opportunity to again thank Chairman Scott Holewinski, Supervisor Rhode, and Supervisor Sowinski and the Town residents for the support of the fire department for 2016 and the commitment toward public safety for the town with the purchase a new fire apparatus which the department received in March of 2017. This commitment has and will continue to prepare the Sugar Camp Fire Department to respond safely for calls for service in the Town of Sugar Camp and its neighboring communities while attempting to keep insurance rates for residential and commercial low.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Jason R Goeldner*

Chief, Jason R Goeldner  
Sugar Camp Fire Department

**2016**

**Sugar Camp Fire  
Department Personnel**

**Fire Chief**

***Jason R Goeldner***

**Assistant Fire Chief**

***Jeffrey McDonald***

**Lieutenant**

***Alex Kaphingst***

**Captain**

***Stanley Nitzel***

**Safety Officer**

***Jeremy Millard***

**Secretary / Treasurer**

***Missy Wick***

**Firefighters**

***John Dziejic***

***Jacob Erickson***

***Mike Holewinski***

***Pat Holewinski***

***Randy Ingram***

***Ryan Iwamoto***

***Paul Jones***

***Josh Joslin***

***Traci Ritter***

***Glenn Kortenhof***

***Jared Kortenhof***

***Mike Kortenhof***

***Ron Millard***

***Kevin Olson***

***Randy Snyder***

***Dennis Strong***

***Daniel Wojcik***

***Susan Woods***

***Rob Zwettler***

## **Apparatus**

The Sugar Camp Fire Department received a 2016 Freightliner/Pierce fire engine on Friday, March 24, 2017. Department members worked over the weekend transferring equipment and placed the new Engine 1 in-service Sunday, March 26, 2017. Currently, the fire department has two engines/pumpers. Engine 1 will primarily respond to all structure fires, wild land fires, reports of smoke, and other unknown hazardous conditions. Engine 2 will primarily respond to vehicle accidents and fires.

The fleet also includes one Tender/Tanker which is an apparatus that carries 2,000 gallons of water to supply the engines at structure fires. Tender 1 also has a 1,000 gallon per minute pump which also allows this apparatus to have the capability of suppressing small fires.

Rescue 1 serves as a wildland response vehicle with and on-board pump and water supply, a tow vehicle for the all-terrain vehicle, boat, and snowmobile. The rescue also transports personnel to and from incidents and assists in traffic control on highway incidents.

The fire department continues to contract all apparatus maintenance with North Star Emergency Services, Inc. out of Woodruff, Wisconsin to provide annual apparatus maintenance and pump testing as required by National Fire Protection Agency (NFPA) and Wisconsin Department of Transportation for annual certification.

Great Lakes Ladders out of Green Bay continues to provide annual ladder testing as required by NFPA. In an effort to extend the service life of all fire apparatus, local and in-house service are also performed if within the capabilities of fire department members and local service centers.

<b>Apparatus &amp; Type</b>	<b>Vehicle Year</b>	<b>Estimated Date of Replacement</b>
<b>Engine One</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2042</b>
<b>Engine Two</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2033</b>
<b>Tanker/Tender One</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2027</b>
<b>Rescue One</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2025</b>

**NFPA 1901 and 1911 recommends a 15-20 year life of frontline apparatus**

# Apparatus



**Engine 1**

**2016 Freightliner / Pierce  
1,250 Gallon/Minute Pump  
1,000 Gallon Tank**



**Engine 2**

**2008 International / Pierce  
1,250 Gallon/Minute Pump  
1,000 Gallon Tank**



**Tender 1**

**2002 International  
2,000 Gallon Tank  
1,000 Gallon/Minute Pump**



**Rescue 1**

**2000 Ford Crew Cab  
250 Gallon Tank  
450 Gallon/Minute Portable Pump**



# Sugar Camp Fire Department: Fire Prevention 2016

*Chief: Jason Goeldner  
Asst. Chief: Jeff McDonald*

Assistant Fire Chief Jeff McDonald and Lieutenant Alex Kaphingst led the 2016 Fire Prevention Program for the Sugar Camp Elementary School. Several Fire Department members dedicate an entire day to help educate the children of the hazards of a fire and what to do in the event of an emergency.

All grade levels were given demonstrations of Stop, Drop, and Roll. Each class was given the opportunity to practice. Firefighters donned their turnout equipment to show the class what we look like when we respond to a fire. We discussed about the importance of checking your smoke detectors at least annually. We demonstrated how to get out of the house if there is a fire and discussed about having a safe meeting place to meet their other family members in case of a fire emergency. Each class was given a tour of the Fire Department and smoke house. Each class participated in exit drills. Sixth grade class was taught how to use a fire extinguisher and was given an opportunity to practice extinguishing a small controlled fire.

The following Fire Department members participated:

Jeff McDonald  
Alex Kaphingst  
Jeremy Millard  
Sue Woods  
Ron Millard  
Jake Erickson  
Jared Kortenhof

Respectfully Submitted,

*Alex Kaphingst*

## **Fire Inspections**

Sugar Camp Fire Inspectors Ron Millard and Jake Nitzel conducted 20 fire inspections throughout the Town of Sugar Camp in 2016. Many of the occupancies are inspected twice a year while others are only inspected once. Inspection frequency is determined by the type/use of each establishment. All inspections are conducted in compliance with the current edition of the National Fire Protection Agency (NFPA) 1, Uniform Fire Code (2012 edition). While the majority of violations are corrected immediately, others may require additional time to comply. The common violations found during the 2016 inspection cycle included; blocked exits or aisle, expired fire extinguishers or systems, exposed breakers/fuses in panels, access to electrical panels, improper storage of flammables, and use of electrical multipliers, extension cords, or non-rated power strips.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Ronald Millard*

*Jake Nitzel*

Fire Inspectors

## **2016 Fire Fighter of the Year**

Fire Fighter Jeremy Millard is the recipient of the 2015 Sugar Camp Fire Fighter of the Year. Jeremy received several votes from department members for his commitment to the fire department in his attendance to monthly meetings, trainings as well as responding to calls for service.

Congratulations Jeremy.





# Sugar Camp Fire Department: Training Report 2016

*Chief: Jason Goeldner  
Asst. Chief: Jeff McDonald*

**January 4<sup>th</sup>:** Snowmobile Rescue

**January 25<sup>th</sup>:** Medical Examiner

**February 1<sup>st</sup>:** CPR Refresher

**March 7<sup>th</sup>:** SCBA Fit Testing & Search Patterns

**April 4<sup>th</sup>:** Hazardous Materials Awareness & Response

**May 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Wildland Fire Training

**June 6<sup>th</sup>:** Truck Operations & Driving Competency

**July 11<sup>th</sup>:** WPS – Powerline Safety

**August 1<sup>st</sup>:** Truck Operations – Pump Competency

**September 12<sup>th</sup>:** Scene Size-up & Radio Communications

**October 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Ladders & Hose Advancement

**November 1<sup>st</sup>:** Helicopter Landing Zone

**November 7<sup>th</sup>:** Search & Rescue with Hose Advancement

**December 5<sup>th</sup>:** Search & Rescue with Fire Attack

Respectfully Submitted,

*Alex Kaphingst*

## **Wisconsin Department of Safety & Professional Services**

### **Two - Percent Dues Payment**

The Town of Sugar Camp again received funds for the 2016 Fire Dues Payment. The Town of Sugar Camp received \$9,858.35 in funds for 2016, which is an increase of \$401.76 from 2015's two – percent dues payments.

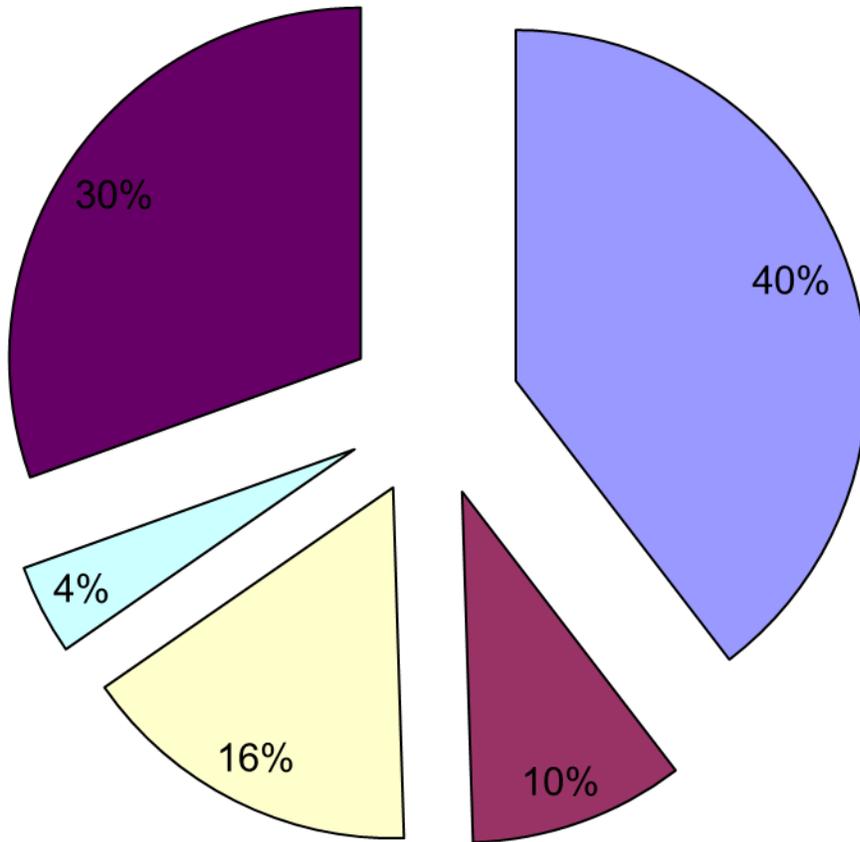
The Fire Department Dues Fund is supported by fire insurance premiums paid in Wisconsin. The Insurance Commissioner's Office annually collects two percent of premiums for the Fire Department Dues Fund. Money in this fund is distributed to the municipalities to be used in one or more of four specific areas: 1) purchases fire protection equipment; 2) fire prevention inspection and public fire education; 3) training fire fighters and fire inspectors performing under s. 101.14 Wis. Stats; and 4) funding wholly or in part fire fighters' pension funds.

There are three key factors to consider in understanding the computation of fire dues payments and why the amounts may change for a municipality from year to year:

1. The Fire Dues fund amount is subject to change based upon the amount of fire insurance underwritten in Wisconsin in the year.
2. The percentage each municipality receives changes due to the relationship between the growth of the local community and the overall growth within the state.
3. The amount of disbursement is subject to change due to the hold-harmless provisions.

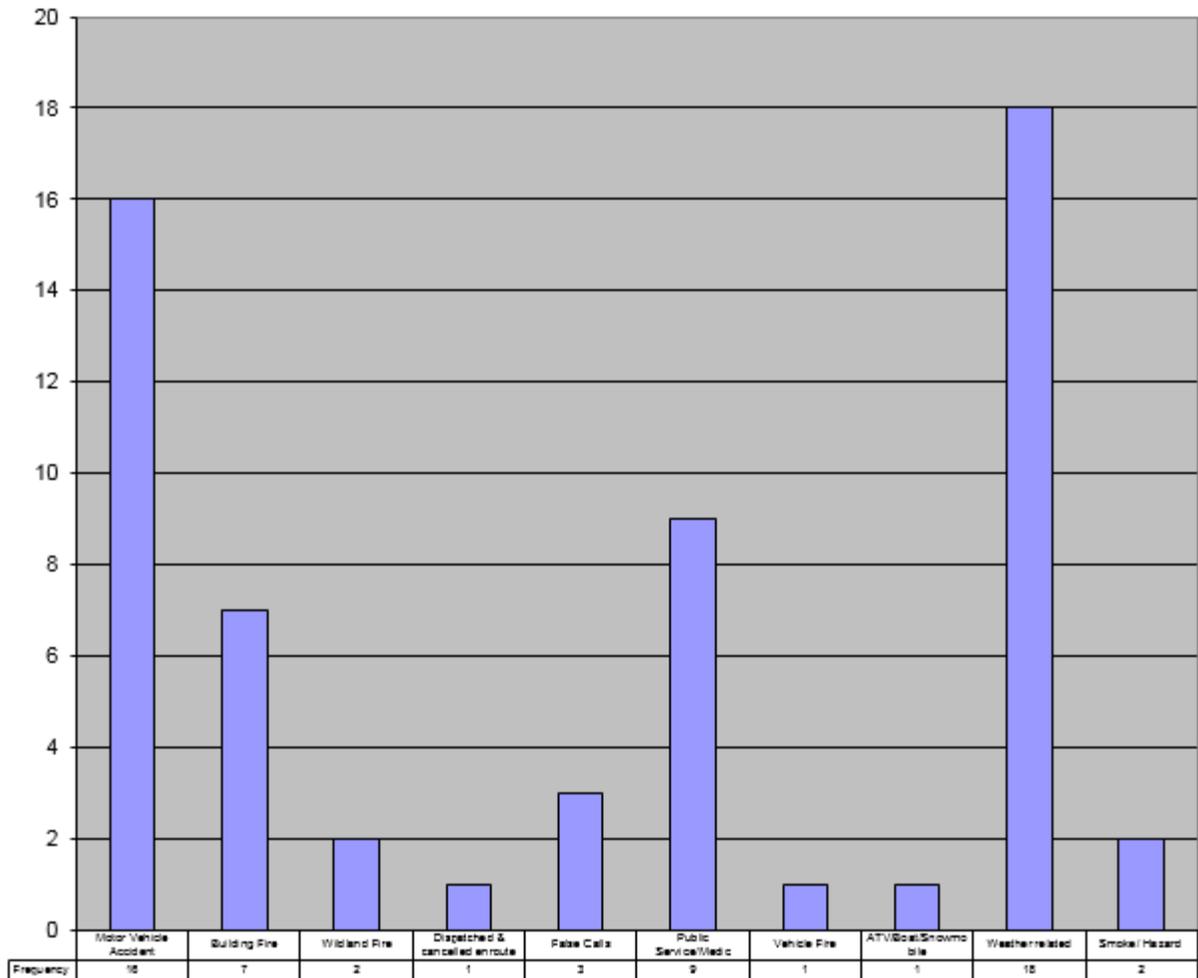
*Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services website (2014). Retrieved from <http://dsps.wi.gov/Documents/Industry%20Services/Forms/Fire%20Prevention/2%20percent/Fire%20Dues%20Distribution%20Roll%20PY%202015.pdf>*

## Annual Fire Department Expense Budget



Expense Category	Amount
Member Stipend	\$20,000.00
Wages	\$5,000.00
Equipment Maintenance	\$8,000.00
Training	\$2,100.00
Reserved for Engine 1	\$15,400.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$50,500.00</b>

## 2016 Fire Department Incident Activity Report



Incident Type	Frequency
Motor Vehicle Accident	16
Building Fire	7
Wildland Fire	2
Dispatched & cancelled enroute	1
False Calls	3
Public Service/Medic	9
Vehicle Fire	1
ATV/Boat/Snowmobile	1
Weather related	18
Smoke/ Hazard	2
<b>Total Calls/Incidents for 2016</b>	<b>60</b>
<b>Mutual Aid Summary</b>	
Mutual Aid Received	4
Mutual Aid Given	6
Total Cancelled Enroute	3

