**Dighton Fire Department**

**Official Roster as of January 1, 2018**

Christopher J. Maguy, Chief of the Fire Department

Borges, Dylan + Medeiros, Thomas #\*\*

Caron, Christopher + Medeiros, Tyler +\*\*\*

Carr, Matthew +\*\*\* Nicolan, Tyler #\*

Clifford, Alex + Pine Jr., Samuel +

Daigneault, Justin +\*\*\* Pontes, Steven (Deputy Chief) +

Ferreira, Constance \* Ready, Christopher (Lieutenant) #\*\*

Gauthier, John #\* Santos, Jerry #\*

Gagnon, Eric #\* Silva, Matthew #\*

Gagnon, Samantha + Silvia, David +\*\*\*

Greene, Alex #\* Smus, Joseph +

Hathaway, John + Smus, Zachary +

Holt, Jonathan +\*\*\* St. Laurent, Melissa \*\*\*

Maguy, Christopher (Chief) #\*\*\* Strese, Zachary +

Medeiros, Kyle + Urban, Shawn +\*\*\*

White Jr., Joseph #\*\*

# Full Time Firefighter + Call Firefighter

\* Paramedic \*\* AEMT

\*\*\* EMT-B

**Permits for Year Ending 2017**

Above Ground Storage 3

Alarm System Install (new) 1

Blasting 1

Burning Permits 278

Cutting and Welding 4

Fire Protection Commercial 7

Fire Warning Systems 3

Fire Protection Commercial Sprinkler 1

Fuel Transfer Tanks 1

Fireworks/Pyrotechnic Display 1

General Permits 4

Propane Storage 55

Oil Burner & Tank Install 6

Oil Burner Replacement 6

Oil Tank Replacement 7

System Repairs 1

Transfer Tank Exemption 1

Underground Storage 5

Underground Tank Removed 2

Waste Oil Storage \_\_2

**Total Permits: 389**

**Inspections for Year Ending 2017**

Smoke/CO Detector Inspections 155

Oil Tank Truck Inspections \_\_7

**Total Inspections: 162**

**Miscellaneous for Year Ending 2017**

Plans Received by Fire Prevention 67

Car Seat Installations 26

**Fire Department Call Information for 2017**

Fire, Other 57

Fire, Mutual Aid 11

Building Fire/Chimney Fire 7

Brush Fire 11

Vehicle/Equipment Fire 5

Rescue/EMS Call 12

Vehicle Accident with injuries 26

Vehicle Accident with no injuries 14

Carbon Monoxide Incident 13

Unauthorized Burning 10

Hazmat 22

Alarm System Activations 85

Ambulance Calls 693

**Total Call for Assistance 2017: 966**

I, Christopher J. Maguy, respectfully submit my first annual report of the Fire Department as required by Section 42 of Chapter 48 of the Massachusetts General Laws. My time in position started July 1, 2017 when I took over for retiring Acting Chief Michael Maguy. I would like to thank Mike for his 24 years of dedicated service to this town and his tireless commitment to this department. Your knowledge and support will be missed.

First, I would like to congratulate Steven Pontes on his promotion to Deputy Chief effective January 1, 2018. He served his role as Captain with extreme pride and I look forward to working with him in the future to restructure this department. Lieutenant Christopher Ready has been diligent in his role as the Fire Prevention Officer. His organization and efficiency allowed the department to process several hundred permits and inspections this year. I have looked to these two officers frequently for their knowledge and support. Without these two dedicated officers, the day-to-day operations of this department would have been a lot more difficult.

The department would like to recognize and congratulate the appointment of Fulltime Firefighter/Paramedic Eric Gagnon and Fulltime Firefighter/Paramedic Matthew Silva. Eric came to us already fire academy trained and, at the time of this report, Matt was participating in the Massachusetts Fire Academy Recruit Training in Stow, MA. In addition, I would like to recognize the newest members of the department, Probationary Call Firefighter Dylan Borges, Probationary Call Firefighter Zachary Strese and Probationary Call Firefighter Samantha Gagnon. Congratulations, I look forward to working with you all and wish you the best in your future endeavors with this department.

I would like to thank fulltime Firefighter Joseph White Jr. for his continued dedication to the SAFE program in our town. His time in the schools is something that the kids look forward to each year. Joe has extended the training/education to the include the elderly population of our community this year and hopes to continue to expand on this effort.

Thanks to Thomas Medeiros, Samuel Pine, Tyler Medeiros, Kyle Medeiros and Justin Daigneault for their dedication to the Dighton Junior Firefighter program. Without their commitment to training the young members of this organization, it would not be a success. This program is integral in laying the foundation of knowledge and enthusiasm for the fire service. It has produced several firefighters for

this department and surrounding communities in years past. Recruiting new members to our department is vital to maintain and improve upon the level of support we provide to the community. The Junior Firefighter program is a great avenue for recruitment.

We continue to proudly participate and volunteer in various events throughout the year: the MDA Fill the Boot, the Annual Santa Run, the 5k walk for the CABbies Organization, the Cow Chip Festival, the Pan Mass Challenge, Touch a Truck event and the “Stuff the Cruiser” toy Drive are just to name a few. The men and women of our department enjoy being able to give back and we are excited that we have been provided with opportunities to do so.

Finally, thank you to Chief Robert MacDonald and the members of the Police Department, and Highway Superintendent Thomas Ferry and the members of the Highway Department for their support throughout the year. Thank you to the hardworking personnel in the Communications Center for the difficult jobs they do in receiving and dispatching calls in a timely and professional manner. Having the support and cooperation of the dedicated men and women of these departments makes the job of this department much easier.

I would also like to say a sincere thank you to, the Board of Selectmen, all elected and appointed town officials, all Town Hall employees and the townspeople for their continued support.

Most of all, thanks to all the members of the Fire Department for your time and dedication. Your support over the last few months does not go unrecognized and is very much appreciated. Without your commitment to this department the services and responses provided to the townspeople in their time of need would not be possible. As always it has been a pleasure working with the men and women of this department. A heartfelt THANK YOU to you all.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher J. Maguy

Chief of the Fire Department