

**Town of Brentwood Municipal Budget Committee**  
**Minutes of August 11, 2025 site visit at Fire Department**

*Committee Members:* Jim Hajjar (chair), Michelle Siudut (secretary), Dan Hebert, Gabbie Kelly, Kat Niemiroski, Letty Bedard (BOS rep)

*Staff:* Deputy Roy Olsen and Chief Joe Bird

4:30 pm start time. Deputy Olsen reviewed current equipment:

- fire truck: holds 1000 gal water.
- rescue fire truck: contains tools for extraction
- Chief command vehicle: not lettered due to complaints by residents when the vehicle is out of town
- forestry vehicle: 1997, needs to be replaced, it is manual and only 1 person can drive it
- Gator: should be in service by end of month
- 2 ambulance: usually lasts 5-7 years, max 12 years
- tanker should arrive by end of this month, which will hold 3000 gallons of water

Staffing is typically 2-3 per shift, although 4-5 would be preferred. Trucks cannot go out with less than 2, which may leave no one at the station.

The Department shares a mutual aid agreement with Kingston and Epping. Most auto aid calls are for ambulance.

In addition to garage space, the first floor also houses an equipment room, emergency management room, conference/training room, study room and dispatch office. There is a washer/dryer room specifically for fire gear. They are moving toward PFAS-free gear.

The second floor has a training room, 3? bunk rooms, locker/shower area and kitchen. There was a gym, but it was converted to a bunk room for the 2 paramedics from Plaistow ALS here. Gym equipment moved to a garage bay; gym is well used. The paramedics are providing training for Brentwood EMTs.

The Department would like to compile data sheets of all commercial buildings to be better prepared. They will be doing walk-through training at nursing home.

Ambulance mutual aid calls can be billed. Other mutual aid (traffic block) is not billed. Fee structure has not been updated in several years. Legally required to submit reports by end of shift.

Several call reports were provided. Chairman Hajjar will put data into a more readable spreadsheet.

Visit concluded at approximately 6:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Michelle Siudut, Secretary