

Pine Twp. Fire Dept.

The Pine Twp. Dept. was developed as a Vol. dept in about 1947. The name of Vol. was dropped from the dept. name and just Pine Twp. Fire Dept. in about 1949, when the Department joined the State Organization. at this time they were allowed 32 members to the dept. Paid by the trustee. It cost the Twp. \$40.00 at \$1.50 per member to belong to the State Organization. we are now 22. we are allowed 24, paid membership in a Vol. association of about 15,000 membership of Vol. firemen State wide.

The Pine Twp. Fire Dept. first Chief was Leonard Johnson. Assit. Chief was John Widmar. There were several Chiefs until this year. The year of 1976, Elmer Butts was Chief and Vernon Jones assit. Chief until election. Now Vernon Jones is Chief and Jerry Bues Assit Chief. Elmer Butts was Chief for seventeen years.

The Pine Twp. Dept. still has one Charter Member active in Glenn Nickelson. a few

are inactive members now.

The Pine Twp. Fire Dept. still has Ted Groszek, Elmer Butts, and Mitch Leoniski as Near Charter members.

The Dept. started their meetings at the Carver school and went to the Pine Twp. school. In early 1950 started building the present building that houses the fire trucks in 1976. At the present time we, the Dept. have a 1953 Dodge Army 2x2 all wheel drive truck that the men of the Dept. built for a gross rig with two reels and 200 gal. of water. Was built after War #2. We have a 1961 International 500 gal pumper with 200 gal of water for a first ^{out} truck. A 1965 International tanker hauling 1640 gal. of water. A 1975 International 750 Gal. pumper carrying 500 gal. of water. Also in 1976, we still have the 1948 Ford front mount pumper that the dept. bought new as a first truck.

We of the Pine Twp. Fire Dept. feel that we are still advancing forward in this year of 1976.

Submitted by — Vernon P. Jones Chief

Pine Twp. Active Membership List

John Adrien
Chuck Ahern
Roy Bailey
Larry Beck
Elmer Butts
Ken Dalberg
Lester Furness
Mark Turner
Ted Groszek
Parker Hosapple
Ray Hudson
Eugene Hughart
Vernon Jones
Art Kreighbaum
Mitch Lonowski
Glenn Nicholson
Floyd O'Neil
Dennis Richardson
Galen Richardson
Jerry Ruess
Charles Smith
Henry Shultz
Tom Zarazee

Chief - Vernon Jones
Asst. Chief - Jerry Ruess
Capt. #1 - Charles Smith
Capt. #2 - Eugene Hughart
Chairman - Larry Beck
Secretary - Henry Shultz
Treasurer - Roy Bailey
Inspector - Ted Groszek

2 1975 Pumper fire truck

Ladies Aux Members - Peggy Richardson - Galadys Peak

Ruby Jones + Pat Schultz

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The Pine Twp fire station and 1975
750 Gal per min. Pumper taken in 1976

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