



THE LINE BOX

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Boston Multiple Alarms December – January 2014

| Date | Box | District | Address | Building Type |
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| 12/03 | 8-711 | D-6 | 321-323 Summer St. | 7 story loft type vacant |
| 12/17 | 2-3415 | D-8 | 24 Moultrie St | 2.5 story wood frame dwelling |
| 12/30 | 2-3614 | D-8 | 89 American Legion Highway | 3 story wood frame dwelling |
| 01/03 | 2-2164 | D-7 | 402 Warren St. | 3 story wood frame dwelling |
| 01/25 | 2-3859 | D-12 | 40 Colchester St | 1 ½ wood frame dwelling |
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B.F.D. Doin's

With the closing of the Callahan Tunnel for the next 3 months, Engine Company 11 has been re-activated at the quarters of Engine 9 239 Sumner St. The unit is staffed by an officer and 3 firefighters on the day and night shift. Temporary running cards have been issued for this time period. Available strength in East Boston during the project must always remain 4 Engines, 2 Ladders. If any of the companies has to go out of service for any reason they are to be covered. If a box assignment is transmitted in the neighborhood Engines 3, 10, 39 & 50 and Ladders 17 & 18 automatically move over to cover.

Engine 8 & Ladder 1, which normally cover in East Boston automatically, have had their cover assignments temporarily suspended as have Engine 4 & Ladder 24, which generally act as the RIT Assignment over there. Now the 4th due Engine in East Boston (Generally either Engine 11 or Engine 56) will act as the RIT Engine with Ladder 18 assigned as the RIT Truck on a confirmed fire (with Ladder 4 being added to cover Ladder 18's cover assignment).



Boston Engine 3, one of five KME pumps delivered

APPARATUS NEWS

Michael Boynton

Like most everyone these days, this author is longing for the warmth and sun of Spring when the apparatus photos will bloom with the flowers. Okay, it's corny, but pretty true as Mother Nature has put a huge crimp in the photo hobby so far this cold & snowy Winter.

As for new deliveries, those too have been slow since early December, with only a handful of new rigs popping up in the Commonwealth. **Boston Fire** has been the recipient of a few, with the New Decon 1 arriving in the City in time for the Holidays. The 2013 Spartan/EVI unit is the second such rig in the City, joining HazMat 1 delivered in late 2012. In addition, Boston's 5 New foam units, Engines 2, 3, 4, 5 & 41 are arriving in Beantown at this time. As of press time, Engines 2, 5 & 41 were delivered to the City in early January to allow for training with the Companies. Engines 3 & 4 are close behind.

MetroFire communities will soon be seeing activity with three new Seagrave pumps set for February delivery (expected). Lynn Engine 1 will join with Waltham Engines 1 & 8 as the newest Seagraves in the area. Malden, Medford & Revere will be receiving new Pierce engines as the weather warms as well. For those who have not seen it, Chelsea Ladder 3 has been seeing active service in Revere recently. This 1989 Maxim 100' Tiller, which began its career in Cambridge, is still a workhorse in the fire service. Stay tuned for more info on this rig in the coming months. Elsewhere in MetroFire, Needham is expecting a February or March delivery of their New Engine 3, a 75' KME Quint.

Outside of Metro, Beverly has received a New 2013 Ferrara Intruder 2 walk-in rescue as their new Dive Rescue Unit. Foxborough has placed their New Engine 21 in service. It is a 2013 E-One Typhoon. Also coming from E-One, pumpers have been delivered to Northampton, Plymouth and a Pumper/Tanker to Northborough. From Ferrara, Wrentham has taken delivery of a New 2013 Ferrara Igniter. Pierce has delivered a New 95' MMA Tower to the City of Westfield, and Dudley's New Sutphen Ladder 1 has arrived as well. And finally, Chilmark on Martha's Vineyard has received their New Tanker 133, a 2013 Kenworth that was a joint build by KME and Bulldog Fire Apparatus.

DELIVERIES & NEWS

MetroFire

Boston - NEW Decon 1 - 2013 Spartan/EVI

Boston - NEW Engines 2, 3, 4, 5 & 41 - 2013 KME Severe Service 1250/750/50F

Outside Of Metro Boston

Beverly – NEW Dive Rescue 1 – 2013 Ferrara Intruder 2 Walk-In Rescue

Chilmark - NEW Tanker 133 - 2013 Kenworth/KME/Bulldog 1500/3000

Dudley - NEW Ladder 1 - 2013 Sutphen 100' MMA

Foxborough - NEW Engine 21 - 2013 E-One Typhoon 1250/750/30F

Northampton - NEW Engine 1 - 2013 E-One Typhoon 1250/750/30F

Northborough - NEW Engine 3 - 2013 International/E-One 1250/2000/30F

Plymouth - NEW Engine 7 - 2013 E-One Cyclone II 1500/750/30F

Westfield - NEW Tower 1 - 2013 Pierce Velocity 95' MMA Tower

Wrentham - NEW Engine 1 - 2013 Ferrara Igniter 1500/750/20F

All photos by Member Michael Boynton



Decon 1 2013 Spartan/EVI



Chilmark Tanker 133



Foxborough's New Engine 21



Wrentham Engine 1



Northborough Engine 3 2013 IH/E-One



EMERGENCY

Jan. 15, 1972, was a cold Saturday night, and if you were like me, then your TV was tuned to WBZ Channel 4, the local NBC affiliate for the premier of a firefighting show called **EMERGENCY.**

The show opened with sleeping firefighters being awakened by klaxon tones blaring and the voice of LACo. FD Dispatcher Sam Lanier calling for "Engine 10, Truck 10, Engine 210, Squad 10, Engine 53, Engine 101, Battalion 14. Factory fire 225 East Crocker. 225 East Crocker cross street 5th time out 0110".

The rigs turned out, Squad 10, Battalion 14, Engine 10, Truck 10, Engine 210 all rolling through the night to the fire. On arrival, Battalion 14 reported "large industrial building fully involved, fire through the roof, send me a third alarm!" And we were hooked!

The show ran from that opening night till 1979 for a total of 124 episodes, and in addition the show had five full length feature movies, Two were filmed in San Francisco and one in Seattle. Funny thing, the show never visited an east coast city.

Today, the show can still be scene on ME TV, YouTube and several seasons are available on DVD.

In celebration of the 42nd anniversary of the show, here are some photos to enjoy, KMG-365!



The original Engine 51 was in real life Engine 60 based at Universal Studio. It was a 1965 Crown Fire Coach with a 1250 gpm pump and 500 gallon tank. Photo by Member M. Boynton



Engine 51 in all her glory! 1971 Ward La France Ambassador Model equipped with a 1,250 pump and a 500 gallon tank. Photo by Member M. Boynton



The SQUAD! 1972 Dodge D-3000 with official LACo FD body work.
Photo by Member M. Boynton



Turnout for Station 51. KMG 365, Collection of Member F. San Severino



Then known as Truck 27, this 1968 Crown 85 foot snorkel was featured in many rescues and fires.

Here it is serving as Truck 11 circa 1988 in a Larry Arnold photo,
photo from the collection of F. San Severino

Other Photo's



The real station 51 is Station 127 located 2049 East 223rd St in Carson. Light Force 127 Is quartered.
Collection F. San Severino



Rampart General Hospital was in real life UCLA Harbor General Medical Center. And was where the first Paramedic class for LACo FD was trained.
Photo by M. Boynton



Squad 10 turns out on the pilot movie



Fictional Station 10 was the real Station 8 7643 Santa Monica Blvd in West Hollywood

Both photos from collection of F. San Severino



Patch courtesy of M. Boynton

BOSTON EMS

December of 2013 saw Boston EMS accept a new piece of apparatus paid for by federal Urban Security Initiative Funds. Known as a Medical Ambulance Bus or MAB it has the capability of caring for 12 stretcher patients. The unit was built on a 2012 Thomas bus chassis and the body work by Sarin Services. The rig is still under going outfitting for radios and other equipment. It has been assigned to the Special Service Division.



Photo courtesy of BEMS