

April 3, 1886

Fire meeting on Wednesday night resulted in the organization of a Hook & Ladder Corp. S. A. Boggess was elected captain.

July 3, 1888

An ordinance was passed for money to secure fire apparatus. Agreed to start expenses of clerk to go to Warsaw to secure fire engine. Later an ordinance was passed for issuing of bonds, in amount of \$1,000, interest 7%, payable semiannually.

October 24, 1888

An engine house was started and later a bell was placed on top to notify in case of fire, but an ordinance was passed prohibiting the ringing of fire bell only in case of fire. In 1894 a new fire bell 24" cost 43.00. In 1895 the town paid \$3.10 for a fire hoze nozzle.

April 13, 1889

---A meeting was held Tuesday even. for purpose of organizing a fire dept.

August 7, 1901

Three captains were appointed to enlist men to equip engine.

A reward of \$1.00 was offered for the first person or persons who may haul with horses the fire engine in case of fire where fire is one block or more from engine house.

Feb. 4, 1902

Oren Thompson was authorized to attend to getting fire engine in repair and also the engine house, He was further authorized to purchase galvanized buckets at a price not to exceed \$2.00 per dozen for the fire dept.

June 10, 1902

Board of trustees met in special session for purpose of investigating the legal status of the Mentone Fire Co.

Dec. 3, 1902

Supported that engineer at light plant begin care of fire engine.

Dec. 7, 1903

Moved and supported that fire engine shall not be taken our of the building except in case of fire or by consent of trustees. Notice to be posted in the engine house prohibiting the removal of any the apparatus belonging to the fire department.

August 4, 1904

Motion that fire engine and apparatus be taken out and tried and inspected. The Marshall is to inspect the flues and chimneys of buildings in town of Mentone. Purchased 100 ft. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " hose at 35¢ per ft.

February ~~7~~ 5, 1912

Marshall authorized to purchase a broom and snowshovel for keeping the water tanks in readiness in case of fire. Sold engine house for \$90.00.

July 7, 1913

Purchased a hose cart for \$95.00 from John-Manville Co, which the fire dept still has.

1914

Night watch be instructed to light lantern after electric light goes out to furnish light to get fire apparatus

Jan. 17, 1918

Fire chief - salary \$5.00 per month.

Feb 7, 1921

Chamber of Commerce requested board to make some arrangements to have a better fire signal and better fire organization.