



Town of Falmouth
Fire-EMS Department
8 Bucknam Road
Falmouth, ME 04105
Business 207-781-2610
Fax 207-699-5268

NEWS RELEASE - 2012-02

For Immediate Release: April 18, 2012

For Further Information, contact Chief Howard Rice, Jr. at 207-781-2610

Falmouth Fire-EMS Responds to Fire in Garbage Truck

On Wednesday, April 18th at 6:58 a.m. the Falmouth Fire-EMS Department responded to a report of a fire coming from a garbage truck in the parking lot of TD Bank on Gray Road. Crews arrived on scene to find smoke coming from the back of the truck in the trash collection area. The garbage was dumped into the parking lot and the truck was driven away from the burning pile. Crews then extinguished the fire and checked to be sure there was no fire in the truck itself. Falmouth Fire-EMS responded to the scene with 2 engines and 11 firefighters. There were no injuries.

Deputy Chief Tom Martelle credited the truck operator for immediately pulling into an empty parking lot away from other vehicles and buildings when he noticed smoke coming from the truck. Pine Tree Waste, Inc. sent another truck and a bucket loader to the scene to collect the dumped garbage.

All units cleared the scene at 8 a.m.

End of release.

#####