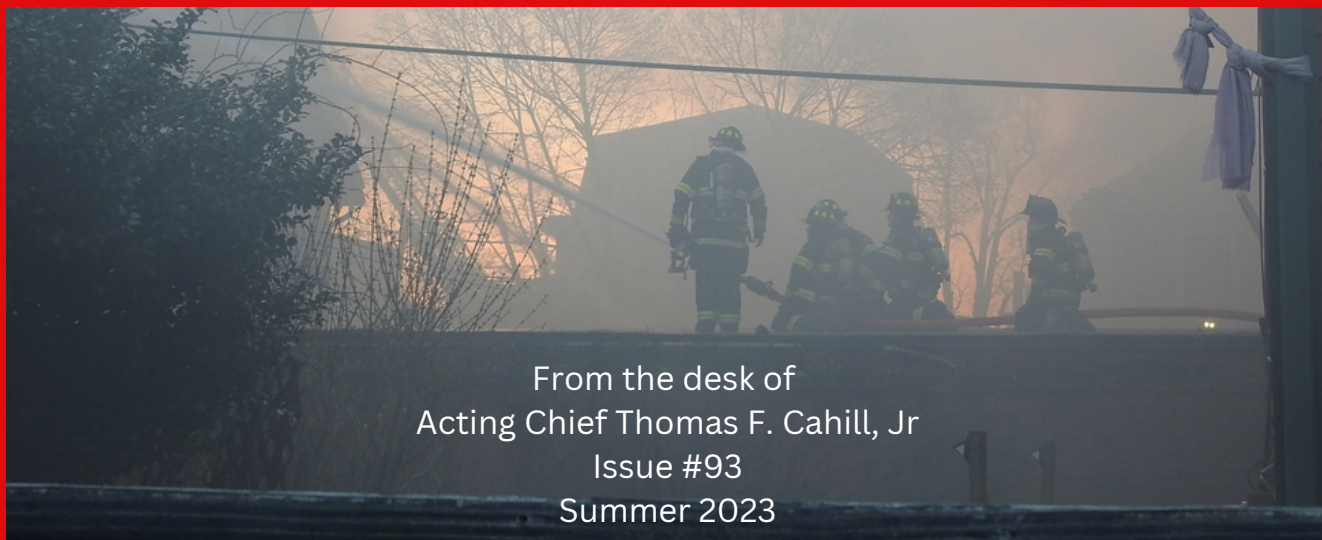


The Company Journal and "The Feeder Line"

Fire Department News
Cambridge, massachusetts



From the desk of
Acting Chief Thomas F. Cahill, Jr
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**LT. BILL BARRY AND FF
REED FRAILEY POSE WITH
SQUAD 3 IN FRONT OF THE
INMAN SQUARE FIREHOUSE
ON APRIL 3RD, 2023.
SQUAD 3 IS A FORD F-550
XLT WITH A PIERCE BODY.**

WHAT'S NEW?

On April 3rd, 2023 Squad 3 was placed into service, responding from the Inman Square Fire House. The addition of squad 3 enhances the cities firefighting and technical rescue capabilities. Squad 3 is also staffed with paramedics and will replace Engine 3 as East cambridges' advanced life support response.



A BUSY START

Just a week after being placed in service, Squad 3 took in multiple fires. Here it is seen parked at the scene of the 6th alarm fire on April 10th 2023. That same morning, Squad 3 responded to a working High rise fire in their district.

Recent Retirements

**Since the last edition of The
Company Journal, the following
members have retired**

Firefighter Arthur Moy on March 30th, 2023; appointed on September 9th, 2001

Firefighter Steve Ortiz on April 12th, 2023; appointed on January 23, 2000

Firefighter Robert Walsh on June 21st, 2023; appointed on June 28, 1993

Recent Promotions

**Since the last edition of the
company journal, the following
members have been promoted**

Effective February 19th, 2023

Edrice Vincent to Lieutenant

Effective April 2nd, 2023

Ameer A. Moustafa to Lieutenant

Victor M. Clarke Jr. to Lieutenant

William J. Barry Jr to lieutenant

Cameron R. Moyer to Lieutenant

William B. Whalen to Lieutenant



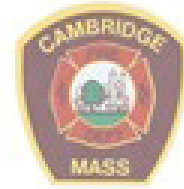
Signal 10-15

The following members have passed away since last edition

Lieutenant **Alan S. Beggelman** - retired - January 30th, 2023

Captain **William A. Ridgely Sr** - retired - April 25th, 2023

Firefighter **Robert G. McKinley** - retired - August 7th, 2023



FY 2022/2023 RUN TOTALS

	Runs	Bldg Fires
Engine 1	3261	25
Engine 2	3870	31
Engine 3	1833	24
Engine 4	1986	16
Engine 5	2231	38
Engine 6	1528	27
Engine 8	1383	17
Engine 9	1362	11
Truck 1	2225	40
Truck 2	1327	28
Truck 3	2330	33
Truck 4	1879	17
Rescue 1	1662	44
Squad 2	3167	34
Squad 3 *	422	7
Squad 4	2581	31
Division 1	1602	41
Division 2	1357	22
HazMat 1	34	
Spec & HQ Units	227	
Mutual Aid Units	282	
EMS Bike Team	42	
TOTAL RUNS	36591	

Emgcy Incidents	16,694
Div 1 Incidents	9254
Div 2 Incidents	7440
Responses	36,591
EMS	8017
Bldg Fires	55
Inside Fires	867
All Fires	957
Elevator Rescues	192
HazMat	201
CO Emergencies	67

Working Fires	6
2nd Alarms	3
3rd Alarms	0
4th Alarms	0
5th Alarm	0
6th Alarm	1

* Squad 3 was placed in service on
3 April 2023 at 0951 hours

Fires

Working Fires: 6

Second Alarms: 3

Sixth Alarms: 1

Mutual Aid Fires: 10





857 fire photos



- Jay Connor photo

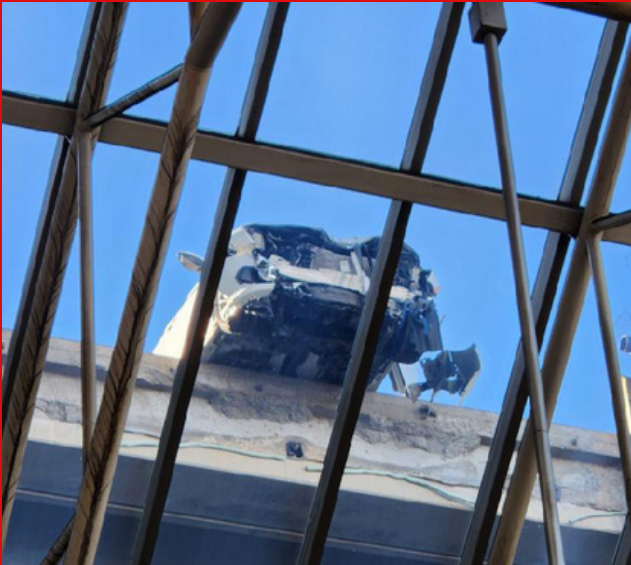


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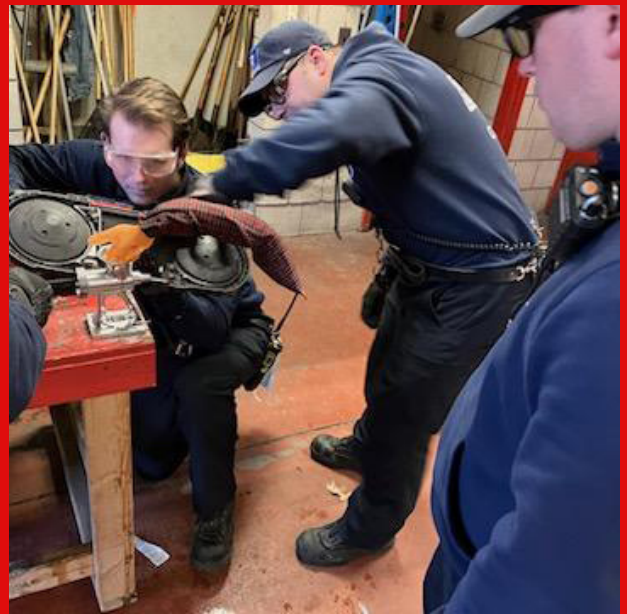
All Hazards

In addition to fires, CFD responds to incidents in several disciplines. Some of these include HAZMAT, technical rescue, dive & marine ops, large scale events, and more!



Training

Cambridge Fire companies are continually working to improve their skillsets through department, company, and specialized trainings.





Off Duty



Cambridge Fire Hockey takes the cup at the 2023 Metro Tourney. This marks the 4th time they've won the championship!



Members of Cambridge Fire participate in the 2023 BFit Challenge



February 11th, 2023 was the 132nd annual Cambridge firefighters Relief Association Ball. Pictured above are CFD members being recognized for 25 years of service!

Commendations

Carl Barron Award Recipients

2021 – Administrative – Capt. Paul Marinelli

2021 – Operations – Lt. Michael Donovan

2022 – Administrative – Fire Mech. Daniel Lopez

2022 – Operations – Deputy Chief Sean White

Commendations and Unit Citation Recipients

FF Christopher Abisla

FF Christopher Adams

Lt. Philip Amenkowicz

FF William Barry

FF John Bernard

FF Jonathan Blinn

FF Stephen Boudrow

FF Anthony Brooks

FF Paul Burke

Lt. Daniel Caceres

FF Donald Calvert

Lt. Stephen Capuccio

FF Philip Chandler

FF Reneau Cherant

FF Laura Coipel

FF Cal Collar

Lt. Kevin Conroy

FF Kenneth Correia

DC John Cotter

FF Stephen Crowley

FF Justin Cully

FF Kevin Curll

*FF Mark Davis

*Lt Matthew Davison

FF Darryn DeGrace

FF John Dillon

FF Charles Donnelly

FF Michael Donnelly

Lt. Michael Donovan

Lt. James Drewicz

FF Matthew Duggan

FF William Dusablon

*FF Tyler English

Lt. Paul Enos

FF Silvio Estrada

Lt. James Ferreira

FF Donald Fitzgerald

*FF Shawn Flanagan

FF Reed Frailey

Lt. Michael Francis

Lt. Robert Golden

*Capt. James Gomes

Lt. Ronald Gomes

DC Brian Gover

***DC Jason Grimm**
FF Gregory Gutoski
FF Joseph Hallissey
DC Jeremiah Hart
DC Brandon Hugh
FF Nathan Jarvi
FF Bertil Johnson
FF Derek Jordan
FF Steven Kelley
FF James Kennedy
FF David Landry
FF Jose Lora
Lt. Peter Mahoney
FF Ryan Marifiote
FF Andrew Masse
FF Mark Massiah
FF Matthew McDonald
FF Nicholas Menard
FF Anthony Mendonca
Lt. Robert McCarthy
FF Jeffrey McGourty
FF Kyle McLaughlin
FF Steven Milliken
FF Eric Moore
FF Joseph Moore
FF Edward Morrissey III
FF Patrick Morrissey
***Lt. Ian Moynihan**
FF Ryan Murphy
Lt. Gary Nangle
FF Nicholas Navarrett
FF Daniel Nugent

Capt. Eric Nugent
***Lt. Bryan O'Neil**
FF John Pasquarello
FF Derek Pizarro
***FF David Quigley**
FF Philip Russo
FF Stephen Ryan Jr.





City Manager Yi-An Huang is pleased to announce the 2023 Outstanding City Employee Award recipients. The annual awards program recognizes employees nominated by peers, department leaders, or members of the community for superior performance, positive attitude, hard work, and dedication to public service.

The 2023 outstanding employee award for Cambridge Fire was presented to Captain David J. House



Updates



CFD recently placed 3 new electric vehicles in service. Two F-150 Lightning's and a Ford Escape plug-in hybrid



In July all air packs on the department were replaced with new Scott X3-Pro SCBA's



A change was made to the Officers' uniforms. Company officers now wear grey

CFD History

PATRICK H. RAYMOND

1831 – 1892

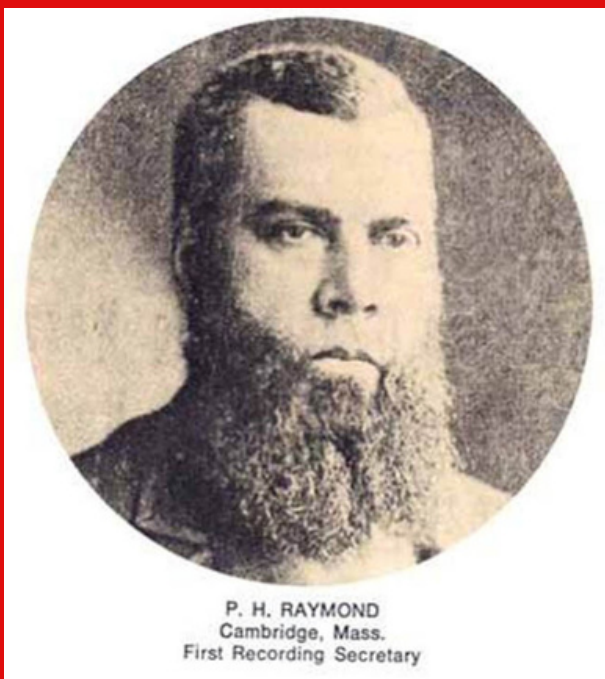
On Wednesday evening January 4, 1871, at the first regular meeting of the new city government of the City of Cambridge, Massachusetts, the name of P. H. Raymond, was placed before the full board for consideration. After his election that night to the post of Chief Engineer of the Cambridge Fire Department, Patrick H. Raymond became the first African American fire chief in the history of the United States. Born in Philadelphia, the son of the Reverend John and Susan Raymond, his father, a runaway slave from Virginia who became a well-known abolitionist in New York City, was one of the early pastors of the African Meeting House in Boston. About 1847, the Raymond family moved to Cambridge, where they lived on Washington Street near Kendall Square in the “lower Port,” Cambridge’s first African American neighborhood. Raymond worked as a shoemaker before becoming a journalist at the Boston Herald and the Boston Advertiser. Able to pass as white, he and his brother joined the United States Navy serving in the Civil War from 1862.-1864. Raymond returned to Cambridge, and in 1869 became the editor of the weekly Cambridge Press.

In 1871, Mayor Hamlin Harding, a former editor of the paper, appointed him Chief Engineer of the Cambridge Fire Department. Known as an enthusiastic firefighter he was the Captain of Engine 5 in Inman Square, was promoted to Assistant Chief Engineer, and then promoted to Chief Engineer on 5 January 1871. In 1870, the department had four assistant engineers, fifteen foremen (now called captains), nine drivers, fifty-two part-time firemen, and a telegraph operator. The horse-drawn apparatus consisted of four steam fire engines and a hook and ladder truck. Chief Raymond was in command of the Cambridge MA Fire Department during the Great Fire of Boston in 1872, working with Boston Fire Chief Damrell in controlling the great fire. Cambridge had sent the entire fire department to the fire in Boston, with the exception of reserve apparatus. Two Cambridge firefighters were killed at this massive fire which destroyed a large area of downtown Boston.

Chief Raymond advocated stronger fire prevention codes, an increase in the number of fire companies and company strength, and a fully-paid, permanent fire department. Raymond noted in 1873 that “the extinguishment of the fire has now become a business and has ceased to be a pastime, and greater facilities for making the business a successful one should be unhesitatingly provided.” He believed that the Cambridge Fire Department could be improved by employing full-time firefighters rather than relying on volunteers, which he brought to the city’s leaders. Over the next seven years, Raymond was able to triple the annual budget of the department, creating two new fire companies and building new firehouses on Portland Street and Western Avenue and in Brattle and Inman squares. Raymond suffered intense criticism from his rivals at the Cambridge Chronicle, but he survived eight years as Chief and served at the pleasure of four mayors. At his home where he resided at 10 Pleasant Street which was across Green Street from the Cambridge City Hall of that time, there is a marker about Patrick Raymond, being the first African American Fire Chief in the country

After Raymond was replaced as chief in 1878, he continued as editor and business agent of the Cambridge Press until 1890. He was elected corresponding secretary of the National Association of Fire Engineers in 1873. Also one of the founders of the Veterans Fireman’s Association of Cambridge, he served for several years as its president. After a lengthy illness, Patrick Henry Raymond died on Thursday, July 28, 1892, at the Cambridge Hospital. Recognized for his knowledge of the City’s local affairs and municipal history, being widely and favorably known he had a host of friends to mourn his death. In his immediate family, he was survived by a widow and daughter. On Sunday, July 31, 1892, following his funeral services at Grace Methods Episcopal Church, P.H.Raymond was buried in the soldiers’ lot at the Cambridge Cemetery. The Patrick H. Raymond Engine Company Number 5 and Cambridge Fire’s Marine Unit 1; a custom-built, welded aluminum fire/rescue boat, are both named in honor of Chief Raymond: the first African American Fire Chief in our nation’s history.

Article from the African
American Firefighter's
Historical Society
www.AAFFHS.org



P. H. RAYMOND
Cambridge, Mass.
First Recording Secretary

**"You make a difference when you knock the rust off your skill sets.
Force a door, stretch a line, examine a building, read."
Lt. Ray McCormack, FDNY (Ret.)**



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today and every day.**

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