

## **Fire Chief**

### **Town of Shutesbury**

#### **5.10.22**

The Town of Shutesbury, Massachusetts (population 1,800) located in scenic Franklin County between Amherst and Orange with an annual \$6.7M budget, is seeking an experienced leader to serve as Fire Chief. The Fire Chief is appointed by Select Board, reports to the Selectboard through the office of the Town Administrator and works within town-approved policies and practices. The Fire Chief is also the designated Emergency Management Director, and the Forest Warden (Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 48, Section 43). The Chief's position is a strong chief who is a working chief, an exemplary firefighter, who responds to calls, and fulfills the administrative duties of the position. The Fire Department is housed at 42 Leverett Rd. and is open to the public Monday – Thursday, under normal circumstances.

Applicants must have thorough knowledge of Laws, Regulations and Codes pertaining to Fire Prevention and safety: 527 CMR 1.00, MGL Chapter 148 and MGL Chapter 48 as an example. As well as thorough knowledge of firefighting apparatus and equipment maintenance practices and procedures. The town is looking for an individual with specialized training in firefighting administration, fire prevention and inspection. The successful candidate will have a minimum of five years of experience in the Fire Service field service.

Prior supervisory experience or leadership qualities are essential. The successful candidate must reside, or relocate within nine months of hire, to within a 35 minute drive of the Shutesbury Town Hall, time determined by an objective third party (such as Google maps). Applicants should have demonstrated skills in communications, management, budgeting, general knowledge of town government operations and Massachusetts laws, and the ability to work with diverse groups of Town officials and residents. Salary range is competitive, plus excellent benefits. A complete job description is available at [www.shutesbury.org/Fire Department](http://www.shutesbury.org/Fire_Department). Email cover letter and resume by end of day Wednesday, June 1, 2022, to [townadmin@shutesbury.org](mailto:townadmin@shutesbury.org). The Town is an EOE.