

7. KEN NESPER'S FIREHOUSE



This firehouse is based on a design in *Early Wood Frame and Masonry Structures* by Pat Harriman MMR. Harriman writes that the design was typical of fire houses in small towns in the late 1800s and early 1900s. He notes that many of these firehouses had a tower, which contained a bell to call the volunteers to the job at hand. The tower also served as a lookout spot to locate just where in the town the fire fighters were needed. The structure was just big enough to house the fire apparatus and fire fighting equipment. The citizens of Westfield are proud of their new steam pumper. The firehouse and pumper are so new that the town hasn't had time to put in a gravel driveway.

I used styrene to build the structure for my On30 Ohio River & Western layout. The window and doors are from Tichy. I scratchbuilt the door for the fire engine. Lacking prototype color photos, I chose to make this structure stand out.

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