

Ellendale Fire Protection District
Monthly Meeting Minutes
01-02-2018

Meeting was called to order by Chief Paul Wedell.

21 members were present for roll call.

Minutes of last meeting were approved as read.

Old Business:

- Shirts
 - The shirts are being embroidered.
 - The shirts should be here in time to wear to the raffle.
- Raffle Tickets
 - Turn all tickets in prior to next Monday or Tuesday so they all can be accounted for.
 - Tickets that are left will be redistributed after they are accounted for.
 - Currently there have been 1490 tickets turned in. (\$29,800)
 - Sales have passed the breakeven point.
- ND Forest Service Grant
 - We were declined.

New Business.

- Donations
 - Ellendale Pharmacy donated \$500.00 to the department.
 - A thank you will be sent.
- AFG Grant
 - Don Flaherty is writing a grant for new air packs.
- Charlie Russell's mother has passed away and a card is to be sent to him and his family.
- Relay for Life
 - The department will cook pancakes for their fundraiser.
 - Pancakes will be served from 10:00 - 1:00
 - Matt, Jerry, Kyle, Harold and Dave have volunteered to help.
 - Matt will be the chairman of the group.
- Fire School
 - It will be held in Minot February 22-25.
 - A username and password are required to login and register for classes.
 - Members attending fire school will get credit towards missed monthly trainings.
 - Tyler will get 4 rooms.
 - Members attending need to talk to Tyler about room accommodations.
- Don Anderson is currently in intensive care.
- Pipeline Emergency training
 - It is being hosted by Lisbon Fire Dept.
 - January 16 at 6:00.

Elections

- Fire Chief

- Nominations for Fire Chief
 - The nominating committee nominated Paul Wedell.
 - Jerry Rekow called for nominations to cease and cast an unanimous ballot for Paul Wedell. 2nd by Harold Swatfager.
- Paul Wedell is voted in as Fire Chief.
- Assistant Fire Chief
 - Nominations for Assistant Chief
 - The nominating committee nominated Mike Thorpe.
 - Matt Thorpe called for nominations to cease and cast an unanimous ballot for Mike Thorpe. 2nd by Jim Schmidt.
 - Mike thorpe is voted in as Assistant Chief.
- Secretary
 - Nominations for Secretary.
 - The nominating committee nominated David Witt.
 - Matt Thorpe called for nominations to cease and cast an unanimous ballot for David Witt. 2nd by Danny Winter.
 - David Witt is voted in as Secretary.
- Training Officer
 - Nominations for Training Officer.
 - The nominating committee nominated Tyler Middlestead.
 - Matt Thorpe called for nominations to cease and cast an unanimous ballot for Tyler Middlestead. 2nd by Eric Fuher.
 - Tyler Middlestead is voted in as Training Officer.
- Rescue Squad Leader
 - Nominations for Rescue Squad Leader.
 - The nominating committee nominated Eric Fuher.
 - Nolan Hamar was nominated by Matt Thorpe.
 - Eric Fuher is voted in as Rescue Squad Leader.

Motion to Adjourn - Jerry Rekow

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02-06-2018

Meeting was called to order by Chief Paul Wedell.

17 members were present for roll call.

Minutes of last meeting were approved as read.

Old Business:

- Shirts
 - A few members have not received shirts due to an error in the shipment.
 - Shirts were paid for by the Department as approved by the board.
- Raffle Tickets
 - The raffle brought in just short of 26,000 for the department.
 - The chili cook off and raffle was well organized and went very smooth.
- AFG Grant
 - A grant is being written for new air packs.
- Relay for Life
 - Thank you to all the members that helped cook for the benefit.

New Business.

- New T-shirts
 - Members that have been on for 1 year will receive a free t-shirt and hat.
 - Shirts can be purchased for \$15.00.
- Donations
 - \$1,000.00 from Cenex Land O Lakes
 - \$1,000.00 from Farmers Union Oil Ellendale.
- FF1
 - First practicals will be held February 10 at 8:00 at the fire hall.
- Clean Up Day
 - February 10 , 1:00 at the fire hall.
 - Misc cleaning and repairs to the fire hall and hose rearrangement are planned.
- Fireman's Ball
 - Jerry and Dave will make arrangements.
 - Jim Schmidt moved to plan the ball for March 10, the same night as the Quarterback club event.
 - 2nd by Jim Glynn
 - Motion passed.
 - The Ball will be held on March 10 at the Fireside as long as the is available.
- Relay for Life
 - The department was asked to sponsor a team.
 - The event will be held on June 15.
 - Details will be discussed at a later meeting.

Motion to Adjourn - Jerry Rekow

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03-06-2018

Meeting was called to order by Chief Paul Wedell.

17 members were present for roll call.

Minutes of last meeting were approved as read.

Old Business:

- Shirts
 - All of the shirts have been received.
- Relay for Life
 - Keep in the minutes.
- Raffle
 - The department received a check from the American Legion for \$1,500.00.

New Business.

- Extrication
 - Currently the plan is to have the training in August this year.
- Raffle
 - Eric moved that the department should do a raffle in 2018 similar to the one in 2017.
 - 2nd by Harold
 - Motion approved.
 - Committee will consist of Mike Thorpe, chairman, Jim Schmidt, Jim Glynn, Nolan Hamar, and David Witt.
- The department needs approval from the board prior to proceeding.

Motion to Adjourn - Harold Swatfager

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04-03-2018

Meeting was called to order by Chief Paul Wedell.

18 members were present for roll call.

Minutes of last meeting were approved as read.

Old Business:

- Relay for Life
 - Keep in the minutes.
- Fireman's Ball
 - Event was well attended.
 - The meal was good and attendees had a fun evening.
- Raffle
 - The board approved moving ahead with the raffle.
 - Note to members, turn in only full books. It is hard to keep track of partial books of tickets.

New Business.

- Golf Tournament
 - Dave moved to make Corey chairman of the golf tournament.
 - 2nd by Jim Glynn
 - Motion carried.
 - The tournament is planned for July 7.
- Oakes Fire Dept
 - They are having a spaghetti dinner fundraiser from 11-1 April 8.
- Donations
 - The department received \$25.00 from Lorna Sand in memory of Bill Randall.
- Mutual Aid Agreements
 - The board has an agreement form Oakes.
 - They are looking at using it as an example to create agreements with other neighboring departments.
- Equipment
 - New batteries and chargers have been purchased for the hand held radios.
 - The 5 inch hose has been placed in service on 7383.

Motion to Adjourn - Harold Swatfager

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05-01-2018

Meeting was called to order by Chief Paul Wedell.

9 members were present for roll call.

Minutes of last meeting were approved as read.

Old Business:

- Relay for Life
 - Keep in the minutes.
- Golf Tournament
 - Plans have been made.
 - Receiving \$500.00 from ND Tourism.
- Raffle
 - It is in the works to have tickets available to sell July 1.
 - Prizes will be similar to last year with increase in value.
 - 250 more tickets will be sold this year.
 - Date is set for January 12 at the American Legion.
 - The department ended up paying a 1% fee for the raffle last year.
- Griddle
 - Look into payment for the griddle from Pheasant Lanes.

New Business:

- Equipment
 - New antennas have been purchased for the portable radios.
 - The forest service equipment is going to be picked up soon.
 - Any equipment that is ours needs to be removed.
- Applefest
 - Bring ideas to the next meeting.
- Burn Ban
 - The County has activated a burn ban for the season.
 - There can be no burning during extreme danger or red flag warnings.
- Donations
 - The department received \$3,000.00 from the Ellendale Area Foundation. The funds will be put towards a new thermal imaging camera.
 - Kenneth Kellogg was awarded a grant from Monsanto to be donated to an organization in the community.
 - The grant will be donated to the department with hopes that it could be used for grain bin extrication equipment.
- State Convention
 - May 31- June 2 in Valley City

Motion to Adjourn - Brandon Gunn

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06-05-2018

Meeting was called to order by Chief Paul Wedell.

13 members were present for roll call.

Minutes of last meeting were approved as read.

Old Business:

- Relay for Life
 - Members try to be on a team and participate as much as possible.
- Golf Tournament
 - July 7th
 - Call ahead to enroll your team.
- Raffle
 - Tickets should be available prior to the fair.

New Business:

- Equipment
 - The forest service equipment is going to be picked up soon.
 - Any equipment that is ours needs to be removed.
- Applefest
 - Bring ideas to the next meeting.
- Bill Randall
 - Celebration of life July 1 at the Opera House starting at 1:30.
 - The Model A should be cleaned up, bell installed and taken to the event.
- Dickey County Fair
 - July 13-15
 - Rodeo Friday night.
 - Derby Saturday night.
 - Volunteers will be needed throughout the weekend to water roads, the derby arena, and the rodeo arena as needed.
 - Volunteers are also asked to sign up for as many ice cream serving shifts as possible.
- Active shooter Scenario
 - August 7 at 3:30 at the Ellendale Public School.
- Auto Extrication Training
 - July 28
- Resignation
 - Jeff Fastnacht turned in his resignation from the department as he has taken a new job in Mandan and will be moving.

Motion to Adjourn - Mark Fuller

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07-02-2018

Meeting was called to order by Chief Paul Wedell.

14 members were present for roll call.

Minutes of last meeting were approved as read.

Old Business:

- Golf Tournament
 - No new information
- Raffle
 - Waiting for permit to be approved.
 - Tickets should be available prior to the fair.
- Bill Randall Memorial
 - Attendance by EFPD members was appreciated by the family.
 - Family may give some memorial dollars to help fix up the Model A.
 - Thanks to the members which attended the memorial.
- Dickey County Fair
 - Members need to sign up for ice cream shifts.
 - Members may be needed for watering the roads, the arena for the derby and the rodeo.
 - Volunteers will also be needed during the derby.
- Forest Service Trucks
 - The aluminum box still needs to be removed from the truck.
- Auto Extrication
 - July 28
 - Eric hasn't heard back from the instructor.

New Business:

- Steak Fry
 - Gary from the American Legion asked if the department would like to help with a steak fry which the department would receive the proceeds.
 - During discussion concerns were brought up about the department often asking the community for money and taking away from our original fundraisers.
 - Mike Thorpe moved that the department work together with the ambulance as the emergency services and split the proceeds from the fundraiser with the ambulance department.
 - 2nd by Jerry Rekow.
 - Motion approved.
- Regional Training
 - Anhydrous training in Litchville July 19th.
- Grants
 - The Ellendale Area Foundation awarded the department \$3000.00 to put towards the purchase of a thermal imaging camera.
 - They request that a picture be put in the paper to recognize their donation.
- Responding to emergencies

- Members which are not fit to operate machinery should allow others to take the active roll.
- Resignation
 - Troy Olson has resigned from the department. He asks that he be able to join again at a later date if he chooses to do so.
- Forbes Parade
 - Matt and other volunteers will take a truck to Forbes for the Parade July 4.
- Calls to Cenex fuel spills.
 - Cenex will be contacted about their emergency spill procedures.
- Applefest Pancake Feed
 - The chamber was informed that the department was not interested in assisting with the pancake feed this year.
- Model A
 - It was discussed that some repairs should be done on the vehicle soon such as a new carburetor and converting it over to a 12 volt system in order to make it operable when it is needed in the near future.
 - Eric will look into the cost of repairs.
 - Locations were discussed for temporary storage.
- Board Meeting
 - A budgeting meeting will be held July 16th.
- Building Repairs
 - Paul will look into reprogramming the door locks. If that is unsuccessful new locks will need to be purchased.
 - The wall will be repaired when a few members can get together and work on the project.
 - Garage door openers are on a list of wants for the time being.
- Alex Lambert
 - Dave Witt moved that Alex Lambert be removed from the membership due to lack of attendance.
 - 2nd by Matt
 - Motion Carried
- Membership
 - The current membership includes many individuals with high mechanical aptitude. Looking forward the department may need to look at a new demographic to gain individuals to fill open positions on the department.

Motion to Adjourn - Mark Fuller

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Monthly Meeting Minutes

08-07-2018

Meeting was called to order by Chief Paul Wedell.

16 members were present for roll call.

Minutes of last meeting were amended to say that we received a grant rather than a donation from the Ellendale Area Foundation for the thermal imaging camera.

Old Business:

- Golf Tournament
 - 14 teams competed in this year's tournament.
 - \$2,700.00 was earned during the event.
 - 3rd place team donated the winnings back to the tournament.
 - The golf course donated the free will lunch money made that day.
 - Next year teams are encouraged to sign up early to help with planning.
- Raffle
 - Tickets are available for sale.
- Dickey County Fair
 - Thanks to the members that helped with the ice cream sales, the derby, and road watering.
 - The auxiliary made \$2,200.00 in proceeds from the ice cream sales.
 - They have been encouraged to find additional help next year as many of the fire department members are busy helping with other duties at the fair during this time.
- Auto Extrication
 - Mike Thorpe moved that the auto extrication training be moved to a date after harvest.
 - 2nd by Eric
 - Motion passed.
 - Tentative dates are Nov. 30 and Dec 1st or Dec 7 and 8.
- Steak Fry
 - 40-45 steaks were served.
 - The department received \$900.00 from the American Legion.
 - Thank you to those which helped with the event.
- Equipment
 - The door opener and the wall project are on hold.
 - The Fargo Assembly building may be available.

New Business:

- SE Fireman Golf Tournament
 - September 15, Oakes
- Don Anderson Funeral
 - 10:30 Funeral
 - 10:15 Fireman should be to the church.
 - 9:30 the Model A should be to the church.
 - Mike and Jim will lead the procession to the cemetery with the Model A.

- Model A
 - The board is open to fixing the truck.

Motion to Adjourn - Eric Fuher

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Monthly Meeting Minutes

09-04-2018

Meeting was called to order by Chief Paul Wedell.

16 members were present for roll call.

Minutes of the last meeting were approved as read.

Old Business:

- Raffle
 - Tickets are available for sale.
 - The ranger will be acquired so it can be displayed in the parade and during Applefest activities.
- Model A
 - Matt is ok with parking the vehicle in Kyle's garage.
- Auto Extrication
 - No new news.
- Thank you to all that took part in Donny Anderson's funeral.

New Business:

- SE Fireman Golf Tournament
 - September 15, Oakes
- Applefest
 - September 15.
 - The Model A, the ranger and other trucks should run in the parade depending on the number of members available to run them.
 - Parade begins at 12:00.
 - The new medical helicopter from Aberdeen will be at the Nazarene Church for viewing at 1:00.
- Forest Service Grant
 - Will be applied for again this year.
- Dillon Thorpe was in attendance in anticipation of being voted in as a new member at the next meeting.
- September 5th at 10:00 there will be a code red test.
- September 11th there will be a Emergency Alert Test.
- Matt Thorpe assumed the duties as pancake chairman for this year.
 - The pancake feed is planned for October 7th.
- Eric Fuher has assumed the duties as chairman of fire safety week activities for this year.
- Kyle Skjoldal
 - Jim Schmidt moved to remove Kyle from the membership due to the fact that he has moved away, with the stipulation that he can apply again at a later date if he moves back to Ellendale.
 - 2nd by Mike Thorpe
 - Motion approved.
- Phase 1 of the wind tower training will be held September 7.
 - Meet at 5:00 at the fire hall.

- Training will begin on site at 5:45.

Motion to Adjourn - Matt Thorpe

Ellendale Fire Protection District
Monthly Meeting Minutes
10-02-2018

Meeting was called to order by Chief Paul Wedell.

16 members were present for roll call.

Minutes of the last meeting were approved as read.

Old Business:

- Raffle
 - Tickets are available for sale.
- Model A
 - It should be moved inside prior to the snow flying.
- Auto Extrication
 - It is planned for November 31- December 1.
- Annual Pancake Breakfast
 - The date has been changed to October 14 due to conflicts with other fundraisers.
- Fire Safety Week
 - Eric is in charge of all of the activities and will ask for volunteers as needed.
- New Member
 - Dillan Thorpe was voted in as a new member.

New Business:

- The meal for the month of October was donated by The Church of the Nazarene.
- Aberdeen Fire Department is having their pancake fundraiser October 6 from 8am to 1pm.
- Frederick Fire Department is having their annual raffle and fundraiser on October 20th at Frederick Seed.
- Ross Seefeldt was in attendance in anticipation of becoming a member of the department.
- Rescue School
 - It will be held in Minot December 7-9.
- Fire School
 - It will be held in Minot February 21-24.

Motion to Adjourn - Matt Thorpe

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Monthly Meeting Minutes

11-06-2018

Meeting was called to order by Chief Paul Wedell.

21 members were present for roll call.

Minutes of the last meeting were approved as read.

Old Business:

- Raffle
 - 420 tickets have been turned in so far.
- Auto Extrication
 - It is planned for November 30- December 1.
 - Members are to go online to register for the class.
 - There is a limit of 30 participants.
 - The class is open to all other departments.
- Annual Pancake Breakfast
 - Nearly \$2,500.00 was brought in during the fundraiser.
 - Attached to one of the checks was a note thanking the department for our service and hoping that they will not need our service.
- Fire Safety Week
 - Thank you to Eric and Dave for their assistance with fire safety week.
- New Member
 - Ross Seefeld was voted in as a new member.
- Rescue School.
 - It will be held in Minot December 7-9.
- Fire School
 - It will be held in Minot February 21-24.
 - Members attending need to talk to Tyler to make arrangements.

New Business:

- Special District Board Meeting
 - The board approved the purchase of:
 - 12 MSA airpacks with a spare bottle for each.
 - Each member will receive a mask.
 - A refurbished air compressor
 - 4 new high pressure tanks
 - 10 clip on filters for the old air pack masks to be used on the grass rigs.
- Fire Fighter One
 - The group will meet after the meeting to make arrangements on beginning the class again.
- The Wall
 - After discussion about future options for the fire hall it was decided to fix the wall in the near future.
- Motion to Adjourn - Matt Thorpe

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Monthly Meeting Minutes

12-04-2018

Meeting was called to order by Chief Paul Wedell.

21 members were present for roll call.

Minutes of the last meeting were approved as read.

Matt Kochni was in attendance in anticipation of becoming a new member.

Old Business:

- Raffle
 - Members keep selling tickets.
- Auto Extrication
 - Thank you to the members that took the time to participate in the training.
 - Thank you to Eric for all of his help preparing for the training.
- FF1
 - Training will start Thursday at 6:30 and will cover chapters 1-3.
- Hazmat Training
 - Training will be January 26.
 - Members need to sign up on the NDFA website.

New Business:

- Fire School
 - Classes are not listed yet.
 - February 22-24 in Minot.
 - Talk to Tyler to make arrangements.
 - Nominating Committee
 - Jim Glynn and Jerry Rekow
 - Cooking Committee
 - Mike Thorpe
 - Meeting Date
 - The next meeting is rescheduled for January 8 due to the New Years holiday.
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- Motion to Adjourn - Harold Swatfager