

Ellendale Fire Protection District
Monthly Meeting Minutes
04-01-2025

Meeting was called to order by chief Mike Thorpe.

14 members were present for the roll call.

Old Business:

- Fire Hall Lights
 - The lights have been installed.
 - Thank you to Quin and Nolan for helping with the removal.
- Auto Extrication
 - Eric discussed the highlights of the training.
 - Thank you to everyone that participated.
- Heavy Extrication
 - The training will be held June 21st.
 - Sign up on the NFPA website.
 - Some new struts may be there for demonstration.
- MDU Grant
 - The department received a grant for \$2500.00 from the MDU Resources Foundation.
 - The grant will be used to purchase a ground monitor, nozzles, and a medical bag.
- Area Foundation Grant
 - 4 new nozzles were applied for.
- Pump Testing
 - The testing will take place on April 3rd.
- Hose and Ladder Testing
 - Fire Cat will conduct the hose and ladder testing on April 6th.
 - The hoses will need to be pulled off of the grass rigs for the testing.
- Husband Wife Banquet
 - The banquet will be April 12th at the American Legion.
 - The social will start at 6:00, and the meal will start at 6:30.
- Dickey County Fair
 - The fair board is going to donate proceeds made at the fair on July 12th to the local departments.
 - Ellendale and Oakes will receive \$2,000.00 each and Forbes and Fullerton will each receive \$1,000.00.
 - The band will also donate the tips made during the evening.
- Trucks
 - The hydraulic hose reels have been hooked up on 7383.
- Applied Digital Barricades
 - The barricades have been put up on roads around Applied Digital.
 - The barricades are small and easy to move in case of an emergency.

New Business:.

- District Board Meeting
 - The meeting was held on March 24th.
 - The board approved spending \$165,000 to replace 7381.
 - The board approved doing the raffle another year.
- Raffle
 - The committee will remain the same as last year.
 - The tickets will be ready for sale in August or September.
- State Rural Water
 - April 22nd the various zones in the city will be tested for a pressure rating and flow rates.
 - The flow rates will be added to eDispatch.
 - It is part of the ISO requirements.
 - It is on a 4-5 year cycle and is done at no cost to the department.
- Regional Fire School
 - The school will be held in Dickinson April 24-27.
 - Members interested should sign up on the NDFA website.
- Carbon Monoxide/Fire Safety Summit
 - The summit is put on by State Farm on May 6th in Grand Forks.
- Charlie Russell
 - Charlie is currently taking treatments for throat cancer.
 - He is in Fargo Monday through Friday and is home on the weekends.
 - A benefit may be planned to help Charlie.
 - If information is needed state radio can be contacted.
 - The ambulance may be able to assist as well during an incident.
- New Members
 - Justin Pakonen attended the meeting and has turned in his application.
 - Daryl Monette was voted on as a new member.

Motion to Adjourn - Quin Merkens