

Ellendale Fire Protection District

Monthly Meeting Minutes

01-06-2026

The meeting was called to order by assistant chief Tyler Middlestead..
16 members were present for the roll call.

Old Business:

- Raffle
 - The raffle event is January 10th.
 - Members turn in all sold tickets.
 - The event is a red polo event.
- New Station Sign
 - No new news.
- Notes From The Chief
 - Keep bunker gear and wildland gear washed up.
- Gear Fitting
 - The fitting will be moved to the summer months.
- Fire School
 - Fire school will be held Feb 26th - March 1st.
 - Members go on to the NDFA website to sign up for classes.
 - Members interested in going to fire school should talk to Mike or Jake to make room arrangements.
 - January 15 is the deadline for cancelling rooms.
 - 5 members are signed up to go to the school at this time.
- Ice Melt
 - There is ice melt in 7385, 7387, 8910, and 7382 for safety during icy incidents.
- Husband/Wife Banquet
 - Looking for ideas for the event.
- Trinity Walk Through
 - Members will get a tour of the new building at Trinity during the February meeting.

New Business:

- Thank Yous
 - Thank you to the cooking committee
 - Thank you to the district board members who were able to attend.
- Applied Digital
 - Applied digital is planning on having a mock drill at the site in the near future.
 - Is there a contact at Applied to get a hold of to ask about fire alarms at the site prior to rolling out?
- Pictures

- Paul took pictures of the new members and members which were missing pictures for badges and for his powerpoint at the raffle event.
- Bell Rebuild
 - The frame for the bell has been finished.
 - The bell needs to be polished prior to reassembly.
- Auto Extrication
 - The department will have auto extrication on Saturday March 28.
 - There was discussion of having a heavy extrication training jointly with Oakes Fire Department in Oakes possibly at Oakes Truck and Trailer.
- Training
 - A training on forcible entry procedures will be held at the March meeting.
 - CPR training may be held at the February or March meetings.
- Keep In The Minutes
 - Work on getting FF1 class set up for the members without FF1 certification.
 - The bylaws state that members are to attempt FF1 in the first 2 years of membership. FF2 is to be attempted within 4 years.
- Election of Officers
 - Thank you to Jim and Jerry with the nominating committee for all of their work talking to the members prior to the election.
 - Chief
 - The nomination committee nominated Mike Thorpe for Chief.
 - Dave moved that nominations cease and cast a unanimous ballot for Mike Thorpe.
 - Motion was 2nd by Dillon.
 - Motion carried and Mike Thorpe was re-elected as Chief.
 - Assistant Chief
 - The nomination committee nominated Tyler Middlestead as Assistant Chief.
 - Butch moved that nominations cease and cast a unanimous ballot for Tyler Middlestead.
 - Motion was 2nd by Quinn.
 - Motion carried and Tyler Middlestead was re-elected as Assistant Chief.
 - Secretary
 - The nomination committee nominated David Witt for Secretary.
 - Brandon moved that nominations cease and cast a unanimous ballot for David Witt.
 - Motion was 2nd by Jake.
 - Motion carried and David Witt was re-elected as Secretary.
 - Training Officer
 - The nomination committee nominated Jacob Glynn for Training Officer.
 - Tyler moved that nominations cease and cast a unanimous ballot for Jacob Glynn.
 - Motion was 2nd by Quinn.
 - Motion carried and Jacob Glynn was re-elected as Training Officer.
 - Rescue Squad Leader
 - The nomination committee nominated Eric Fuher for Rescue Squad Leader.
 - Tyler moved that nominations cease and cast a unanimous ballot for Eric

Fuher.

- Motion was 2nd by Quinn.
- Motion carried and Eric Fuher was re-elected as Rescue Squad Leader.

Motion to Adjourn - Eric Fuher