

Ellendale Fire Protection District
Monthly Meeting Minutes
2/3/26

Meeting called to Order by Chief Mike Thorpe

Attendance:

Meeting Called to Order

Minutes of previous meeting where read and approved.

Old Business:

- Raffle
 - o Thank you member for the good turnout and help
 - o Thank you to Paul W for MCing and the special presentation
 - o Brought in over \$19k the night of.
- Gear Washing Reminder – Keep it up
- Fire School Feb 27- Mar 1, 5-6 people have signed up so far.
 - o Nolan has rooms booked (need 3)
- Bell
 - o Needs to get polished and reassembled
 - Thought Eric F offered to polish?
- Auto Extrication Class
 - o Scheduled for March 28th
 - o Will need to sign up at the NDFA site once available
- Fire Fighter I (FFI)
 - o Need to start talking with guys and get this set up and going.
- County Text Message Service
 - o Text Dickey County to 80496 for county emergency messages
- Fire Banquet
 - o Table until March meeting
- Sign on front of building
 - o Waiting until spring to get it hung up

New Business:

- Took pictures for new ID badge
 - o Looking and a couple badges for Applied entrance
- New 7381
 - o No new news. Possibly 2027
- Gloves
 - o New extrication gloves were available to try on
- Emergency Plug
 - o New device we have that can be used to deactivate/disable electric vehicles
- Raffle
 - o Do we want to do it again next year? YES
 - o Raffle committee is looking to do something different for the 10 yr anniversary.

- Looking at a pickup instead of a UTV
- Will bump up the number of tickets sold and possibly look to have sponsor help pay for the “grand prize”.
- City Hydrant Flow Data
 - Sheet passed around showing the flow data for random areas of town.
 - This information is to be added to E-dispatch
- Grants
 - Chief is currently working on a couple grants
 - Officers to get together to determine the department needs
- Applied Digital
 - EFPD asked to do a walk around of the 3rd building.
 - Looking at March 21st
- Radio's
 - New radio system possibly in place by 4th qtr 2026, but likely early in 2027
 - Training to be held on the new radios once the system is up and running
- Raffle “Thank You” cups were handed out to members in attendance

Motion to Adjourn: Paul Wedell 2nd: Quinn Merkens

Minutes as recorded in secretary's absence. Pending approval.