

Ellendale Fire Protection District

Monthly Meeting Minutes

04-07-2026

The meeting was called to order by chief Mike Thorpe

14 members were present for the roll call.

Old Business:

- Husband/Wife Banquet
 - The event will be moved to December.
 - Members will be able to receive checks for calls that are made during the year.
 - It is possible that we could include emergency services and the ambulance as well.
- I.D. Cards
 - The cards will be printed after the last few pictures have been accumulated.
 - The cards should be able to be printed and handed out at the May meeting.
- Bell
 - Daryll finished polishing the bell. The bell still needs to be assembled.
- Auto Extrication
 - No instructors were able to make it to our training.
 - The new date has been set for June 13th.
- Heavy Extrication
 - No new news.
- Knock Box
 - Mike got the department signed up to be certified for knock boxes.
 - The boxes will be outside of buildings like Applied Digital and the college.
 - The boxes will use a master key and will have all of the needed keys in the box.
- Siren 20/20
 - Mike, Tyler, and Corey are attending meetings pertaining to bringing the radios online.
 - They are working on getting the channel list approved.
- FF1
 - Oakes may potentially put on a training that we could join in with.
- New Sign
 - The sign will be put up when the weather gets better and people have time.
- Challenge Coins
 - Justin will look into what is involved with getting coins made.
 - Justin will have info ready for the next meeting.
- DRN Ice Cream
 - No new news.

New Business:

- District Board
 - They approved the raffle for next year.
 - May sell up to 5,000 tickets and put a new pickup on as the main prize.
- Raffle
 - Members can text the raffle committee if they have new ideas for the raffle.
 - New ideas for payment will potentially need to be looked into.
- Grants
 - Applied Cares
 - Applied for a full set of new bunker gear.
 - Information on the grant will be released prior to April 15th.
 - Pallet of canned water
 - The notice is to be received in May.
- Run Reports
 - Fill out reports for all false alarms.
 - Members are compensated per call now.
 - The board will be asked if we can charge a partial rate for false alarms.
 - Should there be a different rate for residential and commercial?
- 7384
 - The leak in the water tank will be fixed.
- Coats
 - Members with 3 years of service to receive coats.
 - Quinn Merkens and Jake Glynn.
 - Members which have an additional 5 years since 2020 are available to receive a new coat.
- Messages From The Chief
 - Thank you for the great attendance at the recent calls.
 - Be aware that many that are involved with farming may not be available for future calls.
 - Members may run blue or blue and white lights on the way to fire calls.
- New Members
 - Porter Glynn was voted on as a new member.
 - Greg Fuher turned in an application and was present for the meeting.
 - He will be voted on at the next meeting.

Motion to Adjourn - Eric Fuher