**Meeting Minutes –** 1-16-2024

**Call to Order:** Meeting called to order at 6:01 pm by B. Jewett

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll call:**

* + Members Present: B. Jewett, W. Floury, J. Hurlburt, K, Manuel, E. Szegda, M. Guernsey, D. Williams, J. Ellens
  + Members Absent: J. Runyon
  + Guests: Jim Peterson

**Approve Agenda:** Motion made by W. Floury, 2nd by K. Manuel to approve the agenda adding in to approve the meeting schedule for 2025. All in favor, motion carried.

**Approve Prior Meeting Minutes:** Motion made by D. Williams 2nd by B. Jewett to approve 11/21/24 minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

**Public Comments: N/A**

**Director Report**: SEE ATTACHED. Motion made to approve directors report and accept the current roster by J. Hurlburt 2nd by D. Williams. All in favor, motion carried.

**Fire Chief Report**: SEE ATTACHED. Motion made by J. Hurlburt to approve the fire chief report 2nd by K. Manuel. All in favor, motion carried.

**Treasurer Report:** E. Szegda gave the report In Forest Area there is $119,594.57 in checking, $25,284.37 in Ambulance savings, $321.98 in Fire savings. CD 1 from fire there is $50,184.44 and CD 2 from EMS there is $105,387.30. In Honor Bank there is $206,017.20 in checking. Grand total in both banks is $506,789.86. Deposits made since last meeting totaled $21,524.32. Bills paid since last meeting totaled $117,493.63 Motion to approve the treasurer’s report and pay all the bills presented by J. Hurlburt, 2nd by W. Floury. Roll call on all members. – W. Floury – yes, K. Manuel – yes, J. Hurlburt – yes, B. Jewett – yes. All approved, motion carried

**Old Business**

1. **Committees:**
   1. **NWEA Building Committee (6/3)** – E. Szegda, J. Runyon, M. Guernsey, J. Stanley – Two pieces of fascia missing at Station 1 to be done in the spring.
2. **Turn out gear** – M. Guernsey met with sales rep and the coats are getting fixed at no additional cost. They are in process and hoping to be done by spring after this everything will be complete.
3. **Townships Follow up –** B. Jewett went to Slagle and he stated they are not interested in contracting with us and are confused about the benefit because they have a county contract with MMR. B. Jewett explained MMR will be their primary responder, NWEA is not contracted, but will respond under mutual aid. In the future, if they should decide they want to contract with us for services, they can come to an NWEA meeting to discuss it.
4. **Snow removal –** Station 1 is being plowed by Dave Szegda and NWEA personnel are salting if required.
5. **Retirement plan –** Still need representative to contact E. Szegda to get this set up within payroll. No updates.
6. **Investment updates –** E. Szegda said Honor Bank has an adjustable, tiered interest rate on the Money Market Account that will currently pay about 2% on balances over $250,000. Money Markets only allow 6 electronic transactions per month. E. Szegda will be creating the account.
7. **EMS billing issues –** In Directors report.
8. **Workers Comp Injury** – M. Guernsey reported that Mike is on the mend and will hopefully return to work in April.
9. **Slagle Township** – Ending EMS service. More information in 3.
10. **Ambulance purchase** – See Directors report for more info. J. Runyon is currently working on 2nd quote - table until next month. J. Runyon was offered a demo lift with one year warranty which is much cheaper than buying a brand new one. Motion to approve purchase of this lift and to put the lift in the vehicle presented by B. Jewett 2nd by J. Hurlburt. Roll call on all members. – W. Floury – yes, K. Manuel – yes, J. Hurlburt – yes, B. Jewett – yes. All approved, motion carried.

**New Business**

1. E. Szegda presented a schedule for meeting dates for 2025. Motion to approve and accept but remove December by B. Jewett, 2nd by K. Manuel. All approved, motion carried.

**Public Comment: -** N/A

Motion presented by K. Manuel to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by W. Floury. All approved, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:50pm.

Next regular meeting February 20th, 2025, at Buckley Station 2

Respectfully submitted by J. Ellens

NORTHWEST WEXFORD

EMERGENCY AUTHORITY

January 1, 2025

TO: Northwest Wexford Emergency Authority

FROM: Fire Chief Guernsey

December: 7 CALLS

YEAR: 130 CALLS

WEXFORD COUNTY: 7 FOR THE MONTH 130 FOR THE YEAR

GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY: 3 FOR THE MONTH 30 FOR THE YEAR

1 Commercial Vehicle Fire (Springville)

1 School Bus in ditch (Grant)

1 Vehicle Accident (Hanover)

1 Structure Fire (Mayfield)

1 Chimney Fire (Grant)

1 Fire Alarm activation (Hanover)

1 Carbon Monoxide alarm (Wexford)

2 Structure Fires

SANTA CLAUS VISITED: STATION #2 12/12 6:30 PM 20 KIDS

STATION #1 12/19 6:30 PM 14 KIDS

Future staff on waiting list:

8/01/2023 Jesse Sloan no certifications or license

8/01/2023 Zachariah Grant no certifications or license

9/10/2023 Thomas Besey FF 1 & 2 Boon Township Fire Department

5/13/2024 Tayler Harper no certifications or license

7/12/2024 Timothy Brownell no certifications or license

10/15/2024 Ian Lone no certifications or license

MICHAEL D. GUERNSEY

FIRE CHIEF / EMT