

North Township - LaPaz Fire Protection Territory, Public Meeting  
Monday, November 17, 2025 at 6:00pm  
LaPaz-North Township Fire Station

Present:

Steven Davenport, Chair, North Township  
Roger Ecker, Town of LaPaz  
Cathy Welch, Town of LaPaz  
Stephen Barber, Secretary, appointed by Ms. Haskins, Trustee  
Lisa Knepp, appointed by Town of LaPaz

Also present:

Emily Haskins, Trustee  
Mathew Haskins, Fire Chief  
Please refer to the sign-in sheet for additional attendees.

\* The reader will note that meetings are now livestreamed. Please refer to our website for a schedule of our meetings, links for the live streams, and additional information: <https://northtownship.org>

The meeting consisted of the following: Mr. Davenport called the meeting to order at 6:04pm.

1. Approval of 9/22/2025 Meeting Minutes. Mr. Ecker moved to approve the minutes as printed, seconded by Mr. Barber and passed 3-0.
2. Billing Service Update. Please see attached.
3. Recommendation to Township regarding employees:
  - a. Regarding applicant #2, Ms. Knepp moved to recommend to the Township to hire at \$49,000, seconded by Mr. Barber, and passed 5-0.
  - b. Regarding applicant #1, Ms. Knepp moved to recommend to the Township to hire as part-time, seconded by Mr. Barber, and passed 5-0.
4. Mr. Robertson's administrative activity. Please see attached copies of his administrative time report and Fire Incident reports.
5. Equipment Update.
  - a. Mr. Robertson provides information regarding a used LUCAS.
  - b. Mr. Robertson indicated that equipment for Mobile 1 has been arriving. The cot and load system are expected on November 24 with installation anticipated on November 25. Necessary equipment is being borrowed, enabling Mobile 1 to function as a backup.
  - c. Ms. Haskins reported on the equipment required for Mobile 1. [This came about because the equipment which was being rented from Union-North Ambulance Service was turned over as a result of a court settlement.] Options for the cot, load system, and the heart monitor included the following:
    - i. Cost of New Equipment = \$140,510.01
    - ii. Cost of Used Equipment = \$117,506.03
    - iii. Cost of New (but year-old model) = \$115,768.00Ms. Haskins reported that the board was previously polled, because time was of the essence, and the purchase of option #3 was initiated. Mr. Barber moved to express our support and to continue with this purchase, seconded by Mr. Ecker, and passed 5-0.



## Sign-In Sheet

1. *Cathy Walsh*
2. *Steve Dought*
3. *Lisa Dripp*
4. *Steve Barber*
5. *Page ERM*
6. ~~*Al Robertson*~~
7. *Sandy Robertson*
8. *Charl Robertson*
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- 6. Good of the order announcements or updates as necessary**
- 7. Public comment (Limited to 2 minutes)**