

BARNARD FIRE DISTRICT
Regular Meeting
February 12, 2024

Present: Commissioners Williams, Norris, Cappon, Diederich, Gerhard, Chief Steve Andrews, Secretary/Treasurer Pattie Morris

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

We were led in the Pledge of Allegiance by Chief Andrews

Chairperson Gerhard asked to join him in a moment of silence for all the people who were part of the Barnard family and those who were touched by the Barnard family that are no longer with us. Keeping in our thoughts and prayers all our men and women first responders who do battle every day.

Anyone from the public need to bring anything to the Board currently?

No one from the public was in attendance, therefore no one came forward.

Chairperson Gerhard asked if we have received any correspondence since our last meeting and asked if there are any special dates that need to be noted.

- Reminder that the Monroe County Fire District Officer's meeting Thursday at 6 p.m. at the Brook House.*

MOTION: *Commissioner Diederich seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from January 8, 2024. All commissioners present were in favor. No one opposed. Motion carries.*

MOTION: *Commissioner Cappon seconded by Commissioner Diederich to approve the workshop Meeting Minutes from January 25, 2024. Four commissioners present were in favor. Commissioner Gerhard abstained. Motion carries.*

MOTION: *Commissioner Williams seconded by Commissioner Diederich to approve the Organizational Meeting Minutes from January 4, 2024. Four commissioners present were in favor. Commissioner Cappon abstained. Motion carries.*

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Chief Stephen Andrews –

Monthly Chiefs Report ~ February 12th, 2024

Year 2024 Total Runs 345

January 345

Month	YTD	Incident Type
2	2	Fires in Structures
1	1	Vehicle Fires
0	0	Brush, Field, Outside Fires
1	1	Dumpster, Rubbish and all other fires
7	7	MVA
258	258	EMS
0	0	Rescue events (land searches, rope, water/ice, RTF, trench, elevator)
19	19	Auto Alarms
6	6	Mutual Aid Given
18	18	Hazardous Conditions (fumes, gas leaks, CO, wires down)
33	33	All other Service calls (lock outs, water problems, good intent etc.)

Updates from the Fire Chief.

FF Josh Shoemaker has been confirmed as a student in the Spring RFFT program.

Lt. Carstairs has returned and successfully completed the FLSTP from the FDNY.

Planning and logistics for the April 8th 2024 eclipse event is still ramping up. We will be increasing our on-duty staffed units that day. More to follow as planning continues locally.

Clarification to annual authorization as approved at the last Commission meeting, for MCSOU participation; renewal for FF's Johnson, Andrews, Cyr, Hlebowicz, and additional new members, FF's Fuller, Sladden, Hannafon and Metzler.

A review of the new RIOCH camera project will be provided during the meeting.

Updates and Review of the new OSHA Emergency Response Standard which is currently out for the 90-day comment period.

Finally, updates and final details of the building renovation project will be provided Monday evening.

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Commissioner Cappon informed the Board that the contractors are working on the punch list of items that still need to be addressed. He also stated that the painting of rooms in the basement has begun. Chief Andrews stated that the electrical switchover will probably take place on a Saturday, as it will not be too disruptive to the staff. Meetings are now every other week on Wednesdays.

Review of the request for County IT support for the MPS devices in Barnard apparatus. The proposed project with Barnard, Ridge Road, North Greece and Gates was reviewed at the County Executive Fire Chiefs meeting last week and received the support of the organization. A 30-day comment period is open and then the Public Safety Director will finalize the approval of the project as requested.

Ground ladder testing went well, everything passed inspection.

We had two firefighter injuries last week.

Commissioner Gerhard informed the Board that he and Commissioner Cappon will be meeting with two Board of Directors from the Department and the President on February 21st at 7 p.m. at the firehouse.

Community Risk Reduction Division:

Monthly Report: February 2024 Submitted By: Dean Smith

The new year is off to a fast start. I will be completing my annual fire safety programs at the Derech HaTorah Academy of Rochester for grades kindergarten through eighth grade later this month. This will complete my first round of classroom visits for the 2022/23 school year.

I am currently in the process of delivering our second classroom presentations for the winter and early spring. I once again plan on visiting every classroom in our fire district twice during the school year. I am also meeting with my fire safety colleagues and school district officials to schedule our annual Hazard House program later this spring. Firefighter Josh Shoemaker will be starting the Fire Academy and will not be able to assist with the program. Lieutenant Don Wood and Lieutenant Brendon Hyman will be assisting me with the Hazard House program this spring.

This past fall I mirrored Ashley Chapman and Sean Beiter, the new Community Risk Reduction Specialists with the Ridge Road and North Greece Fire Districts. That collaborated effort produced some new ideas for some old programs. Firefighter Shoemaker and I have been working on new lesson plans and power point presentations for our second and fourth grade programs. I plan on delivering the new lessons in the classroom later this spring. I have been assisting Ridge Road and Life Span with a new fall prevention course that they are presenting at the Villages of Unity. This is an eight-week,

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in-depth course. I hope to bring this program to Beatrice Place, The Legacy at Park Crescent and area church groups. The month of February is Burn Awareness Month, and I will utilize our district sign to draw attention to the topic of burn prevention and fire safety.

The annual Adopt-A-Hydrant Program is in full swing. At the present time twenty- five area school children have adopted fire hydrants and have pledged to keep them clear of snow this winter season. This has been an unusual winter with very little snow. As result the number of adopted hydrants is down from last year. Adoption certificates will be issued later this month.

Location	Date	Program	Summary of Programs
Lake Shore FD	1/9/24		Monthly car seat check, 6 seats inspected.
Village of Unity	1/16/24		Fall prevention program
Village of Unity	1/23/24		Fall prevention program
Longridge School	1/25/24		Guest Reader for special event
Village of Unity	1/30/24		Fall prevention class
Longridge School	2/1/24		Kindergarten, 2nd visit, 6 classes, 126 students.
Village of Unity	2/6/24		Fall prevention program

Scheduled Programs Adopt –A-Hydrant 25 adopted hydrants.

English Village School 2/8/24 1st grade, 2nd visit

Longridge School 2/12/24 4th grade, 2nd visit

Village of Unity 2/13/24 Fall prevention class

Lake Shore FD 2/13/24 Monthly car seat check

Village of Unity 2/20/24 Fall prevention class

Derech HaTorah Academy 2/26/24 Kindergarten – 3rd grade

Village of Unity 2/27/24 Fall prevention class

Derech HaTorah Academy 2/28/24 4th- 8th grade

English Village School 2/29/24 Kindergarten, 2nd visit

Respectfully Submitted,



Stephen M. Andrews

Fire Chief

MOTION: *Commissioner Norris seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve Chief Andrews report for February 12th as read and discussed. All Commissioners present were in favor. No one disapproved. No abstentions. Motion carried.*

Commissioner Diederich – No report

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Commissioner Norris –

- There was a new engine committee meeting today. The group went to East Rochester to drive their Pierce engine. East Rochester offered to bring the Pierce engine to Barnard so staff members could drive it and give the committee their comments. It looks like a new engine will probably cost the district taxpayers over a million dollars.*
- John also discussed the capital reserve account and if we are putting enough in yearly. More to follow*

Commissioner Williams –

- Setting up a meeting with Churchville Insurance Agency*

Commissioner Cappon –

- gave his report regarding the building in the Chief's report*

Chairman Gerhard – No Report

MOTION: *Commissioner Cappon seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve all invoices as audited and approved. All Commissioners present were in favor. No one disapproved. No abstentions. Motion carried.*

MOTION: *By Commissioner Norris seconded by Commissioner Diederich to approve the Treasurer Report for January 2024. All Commissioners present were in favor. No one disapproved. No abstentions. Motion carried.*

MOTION: *by Commissioner Diederich seconded by Commissioner Williams to adjourn. All Commissioners present were in favor. No one opposed. No abstentions. Motion carried.*

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Pattie Morris
Secretary /Barnard Fire District*