

Brussels – Union – Gardner Fire Department

Station 1

1080 Cty C
Brussels, WI 54204

Station 2

3116 N. Stevenson Pier Rd
Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235

UNAPPROVED B.U.G. MEETING MINUTES

March 18, 2026

1. **Call to Order.** President Paul DeWitt called the B.U.G. Fire Board of Directors meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at Station 1. Other Directors present: Bruce Alberts, Ted Anderson, Lyle DeBroux, Jeff LeGrave, Joe Wautier. Also present: Fire Chief Curt Vandertie, Assistant Fire Chief Jim Wautier.
 - a. **Quorum Present.** Enough Directors were present to create a quorum (6 out of 6).
 - b. **Meeting Notice Postings.** The meeting agenda was posted in the three townships.
 - c. **Approval of Agenda.** Agenda was reviewed, and President DeWitt noted Item 9 Long Range Planning Committee would be discussed after adjournment. *A motion was made to approve the agenda by LeGrave, DeBroux. All in favor. Motion carried.*
2. **Approval of Minutes.** The Board reviewed the minutes from the January 21, 2026 meeting. *A motion to approve minutes of the January meeting was made by Wautier, Anderson. All in favor. Motion carried.*
3. **Communications Reports by Board Members.** Director Alberts thanked everyone for support of Ryan Chaudoir's memorial service.
4. **Public Comments.** Dawn Starr expressed her thanks and appreciation to Chief Vandertie, FF Mark DeKeyser, Assistant Chief Wautier, and Joe Bader on behalf of the EMT's for their assistance during the blizzard.
5. **Action on Vouchers.** *A motion to approve all vouchers (17018-17025) and all automatic withdrawals was made by DeBroux, Anderson. All in favor. Motion carried.*
6. **Acceptance of Treasurer's Report.** The February 2026 report was reviewed. *A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Alberts, Anderson. All in favor. Motion carried.*
7. **Budget Review.** Information will be available for April. Tabled for next meeting.
8. **Fire Chief's Report.** Fire Chief Curt Vandertie reported 26 calls but more to enter from past week; Maynard Gunnlaugsson electric work at both Stations and donated the \$700 labor; Dyckesville Sanitation emptied truck bays and gave us a discount; Joe Bader tremendous help during blizzard-- (please thank these people if you see them); Car & Motor Show and EMR Walk/Run upcoming fundraisers; interviews for firefighters—2 Gardner, 4 Brussels training for 5 in August as 1 fully trained and 1 EMR training for high school senior. Reviewed training. Noted that Dean & Julie Hoegger (Station 2) chose to renew EMR license and not retire.
The Chief reviewed the storm situation noting that Station 1 served as a warming shelter and also the half a dozen calls that were dealt during those two days by himself, Jim Wautier, Mark DeKeyser, and Joe Bader. And to Linda DeKeyser for bringing breakfast one morning.
9. **Items for Next Month's Agenda.** Budget Review
10. **Next Meeting Date** scheduled for 6:00 pm, Wednesday, April 22, 2026 at Station 1.
11. **Adjournment.** *The meeting adjourned at 6:25 pm with a motion by DeBroux, Anderson. Carried.*

The Long Range Planning Committee on Firefighters Recruitment/Retention met following adjournment.

Linda Mohr, Recording Clerk