



Lake Country Fire & Rescue – Fire Board

Serving the Village of Chenequa-Village of Nashotah
City of Delafield- Village of Oconomowoc Lake
Town of Delafield-Village of Wales-Town of Genesee

LCFR Station # 42
115 Main Street, Delafield, WI 53018
Wednesday, April 16, 2025 at 5 PM

1. Meeting called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was opened by President Jim Morris at 5:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance

2. Roll Call

Present were: Alan Enters, Tom Touchette, Matt Grimmer, Kent Attwell, Martin Gallun, Jeff Rumler, Magalie Miller, Anthony Arbucias, Al Theis, Gene Mayernick, President Jim Morris, Jerry Orlowski, Gerry Fleisher, Chief Matt Fennig and Administrative Assistant Staci Nielson.

3. Public Comments

James Codd spoke about the complexities of Fire Dept budgets funding Fire Departments.

4. Approval of minutes from the Fire Board Meeting on Wednesday, February 19, 2025

A motion was made by Thies and seconded by Gallun to approve the minutes from Wednesday, February 19, 2025. Attwell made a motion to add language to the minutes. Motion died due to lack of second. Ayes were: Touchette, Gallun, Rummmler, Miller, Arbucias, Theis, Mayernick, Morris, Orlowski and Fleisher. Enters & Grimmer abstained. Attwell voted no. Motion failed due to lack of a positive vote from all seven municipalities.

5. Treasurer's Report

a. Ambulance billing and collection update for January & February

At the end of February we had collected approximately 14% of the budgeted amount. We are 17% through the year. Grimmer asked about the February charges billed was low. Nielson will contact the billing company and provide an answer for the next meeting.

b. Board review of balance sheet, revenues and expenses for January & February

At the end of February we were at 14% of our budgeted expenses for being through 16.7% of the year.

6. Board approval of check disbursements over \$1,500 and bank and credit card reconciliations for Jan & Feb.

A motion was made by Mayernick and seconded by Attwell to approve the checks & reconciliations from Jan & Feb. All ayes, no further discussion. The motion was carried.

7. President's Report

a. Letter from Wolf Paving

Morris read an email from Charlie Siver of Wolf Paving praising LCFR's response to a fire on one of their large pieces of equipment. He was very appreciative of the quick response time and thorough job of the crew, and how well they worked together & looked out for each other.

b. Update on Funding Formula Study

The Funding Study is still a work in progress. The partner communities have met several times and narrowed it down to a few points to discuss. There will be another meeting on Wed. the 23rd and hopefully they will be able to come to an agreement.

8. Chief's Report

a. LCFR Call Activity report

LCFR responded to 188 incidents in February. 132 were EMS related and 56 were fire-related.

b. Staffing Report/Metrics Reporting

We remain fully staffed. We are still recruiting for Part-time personnel.

c. Training/Conference Updates

Captain Richards attended a national Dive Rescue training conference last week. Richards reported to Chief Fennig that they are moving away from putting divers in the water, and that the use of sonar for dive rescue is becoming the industry standard. Rumler asked about LCFR's current sonar equipment and if there would be an opportunity to upgrade the Department's capabilities outside of the budget.

d. Vehicle/Equipment Status

Everything continues to go well with keeping the fleet running and Chad updating data into our system.

e. Update on current/ongoing department projects

In response to an uptick in prairie burn requests, LCFR is re-evaluating its process of granting permission to citizens for burns. We are looking into requiring the hiring of a professional company that has insurance and expertise for such work.

9. New business

Grimmer asked why we don't currently charge for treat no transports (TNTs). We will discuss at the next meeting.

Attwell still has questions on the 2023 Audit. He agreed to submit his questions in advance of the next meeting so his questions can be addressed expeditiously.

10. The next scheduled Board Meeting is on Wednesday, May 21, 2025 at 5:00pm to be held at the Nashotah Fire Station #45 located at N44W32787 Rasmus Road, Nashotah.

11. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Mayernick and seconded by Miller at 5:50. All ayes, no further discussion. The motion was carried.