

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Edgerton Fire Protection District Monthly Meeting**  
**Thursday, May 9, 2024**

1. President Sherman called meeting to order on Thursday, May 9, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.
2. Roll Call: John Sherman, Donna Skau (for John Dohner), Jeff Klenz, Theresa Rusch (for Anissa Welch), Kathryn Fosdal, David Viney, David Kyle, Jeff Klenz, Rob Mawhinney, Jon Jennings (for Brian Meyer) and Candy Davis. Not present: Evan Sayre
3. Davis reported meeting agenda was posted on Tuesday, May 7, 2024 at Piggly Wiggly, Edgerton City Hall and Fire District Headquarters.
4. Klenz motioned to accept agenda, was seconded by Fosdal, all in favor; carried.
5. Board recessed meeting, at direction of President Sherman, to attend the High School Cadet Recognition Ceremony at Fire Station 2 (Edgerton Station) at 5:01 p.m.

Board reconvened at District Headquarters at 5:24 p.m.

6. Viney motioned to approve minutes of April 17, 2024 Monthly EFPD Board Meeting as presented, was seconded by Skau, all in favor; carried.
7. Public appearances
  - a. Public comment on non-Agenda items (limited to 3 minutes): None
  - b. Alliant Energy Informational Update: Jeff Klenz reported that Dawn Harvest Energy company is putting in a solar farm at Harmony and LaPrairie townships. Harmony township will receive money and that will be applied toward Fire District expenses. The energy company is willing to purchase and donate equipment to the Fire Department, so Klenz asked Chief Pickering to think about any item(s) the Department might need/want. They will make an appearance at next month's meeting.
8. Election of EFPD Officers:
  - a. President: Davis motioned to nominate John Sherman for President, was seconded by Fosdal. Viney moved nominations be closed, which was seconded by Klenz, all in favor; carried. John Sherman was appointed President for the next term.
  - b. Vice President: Viney motioned to nominate Brian Meyer, was seconded by Sherman. Sherman moved that nominations be closed and cast unanimous vote; was seconded by Klenz, all in favor; carried. Brian Meyer was appointed Vice President for the next term.
  - c. Secretary/Treasurer: Skau motioned to nominate Candy Davis, was seconded by Sherman. Fosdal moved nominations be closed, was seconded by Viney, all in favor; carried. Candy Davis was appointed Secretary/Treasurer for next term.

Note: New Officers to assume positions at end of May 9, 2024 meeting

9. Treasurer report: There was nothing new to report from Treasurer Davis.

10. Old Business

- a. Update on search for new Auditing firm: Chief Pickering reported there are two auditing firms and he is still gathering appropriate information to provide to them.
- b. Updates and discussion on East Division 1<sup>st</sup>-year Intern special assessment: Rusch indicated it was a unanimous decision by Milton to fund. Other East municipalities had already approved, so Chief will be moving forward with this.
- c. Updates and discussion on East Division over-hire positions for 3Q/4Q-2024: Chief Pickering reported a special meeting was held with East Division; one municipality has already taken action and the other 4 are in the decision-making process. The goal is to get decisions made by July 1, 2024 (as they are currently funded through June 30, 2024).
- d. Updates on employee retention data: Chief Pickering handed out a Staffing Competition Update.

11. Fire Station Project

- a. Update and possible action on recommendation from Building Committee on new Station 3 location: The Milton West original location fell through, so there are now 4 options, all of which have “willing sellers”. Rock County 911 pulled together the 5-minute response map for the Committee. Klenz suggested tabling this until there is more information provided regarding possible additional sites. Jennings stated the existing Milton fire station property already has everything that is needed – utilities, sewer, etc. to reconstruct a new station. Jennings motioned to have committee pursue working with 5-bugles for the 614 Madison Avenue (existing site), was seconded by Mawhinney.

Roll call of East Division members:

Jennings = yes

Mawhinney = yes

Kyle = yes

Klenz = yes

Rouch = yes

Western division municipalities abstained. Motion passed.

12. New Business

- a. Discussion and possible action on appointment of “Official Record Keeper” for the District: This topic was tabled until next meeting as Brian Meyer was not present at this meeting.

13. Chief/Deputy Chief Operations report:

911 calls = 162 for month and 654 YTD

20 Interfacility transfers for April and 52 YTD (vs 169 YTD)

Fire inspections = 39.4% complete YTD

14. Volunteer Association, Inc. report: None
15. Fosdal motioned to pay bills and payroll in the amount of \$217,995.78, was seconded by Skau, all in favor; carried.
16. Closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. 19.85(1)(e): "Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session". Discussion of proposed 2024 Local 580 Collective Bargaining Agreement: No closed session was held.
17. Discussion and possible ratification of 2024 Collective Bargaining Agreement: None
18. Other legal business to come before the Board: Davis reported DC Whitmore has recognized at the Employee Appreciation Dinner for 20 years of service, and Chief Pickering was recognized for 10 years of service with the Department.

Rusch reported she saw DC Whitmore on TV about Naloxine and indicated that Milton is interested in having it at their station. Chief said he had originally requested one for both Edgerton & Milton, however because of limited area for it to be protected (environmentally), it was placed in Edgerton's HQ. Once the new station is designed, it will be at all stations. Rusch will discuss with Milton City Hall to see if that building would be environmentally equipped to handle it until the station is built.

19. Adjournment: Sherman motioned to adjourn, was seconded by Fosdal, all in favor; carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted;  
Candy Davis,  
EFPD Secretary/Treasurer