

BRIGHTON AREA FIRE AUTHORITY
February 9, 2023

A Regular Meeting of the Brighton Area Fire Authority Board was held on Thursday, February 9, 2023 at the new Fire Station 33 located at 9955 Weber in Brighton Township. The Regular Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Jim Muzzin, at 8:00 a.m.

PRESENT: BILL ROGERS
 TERRY CROFT
 PATRICK MICHEL
 JOE RIKER
 JIM MUZZIN
 SHAWN PIPOLY

ABSENT: MIKE CORRIGAN

ALSO PRESENT: Chief O'Brian

Pledge of Allegiance

Call to the Public
None

Approval of Consent Agenda

23:012 Motion by Bill Rogers, supported by Patrick Michel
 That we approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion carried unanimously

Approval of Regular Agenda

23:013 Motion by Joe Riker, supported by Patrick Michel
That we approve the Regular Agenda as presented.

Motion carried unanimously

Presentation of 2022 Annual Report

Chief O'Brian presented a draft of the 2022 Annual Report and highlighted the various aspects of the organization. Here are some of the highlights:

- The Authority responded to 2,459 calls for service in 2022, with EMS events demanding the greatest response with 1402 incidents, or 57% of all calls. There were 119 fires of which 58 were structure fires. The rest were made up of cooking, trash, chimney, vehicle, fields, grass, vegetation, or rubbish fires.
- The conclusion of 2022 marked the first full year since BAFA completed its transition from Medical First Responder to EMT-Basic licensure. Since this upgrade, responders have provided a higher level of EMS care with thorough assessments and improved treatment capabilities.
- Recruitment and retention has been a priority for many years. Our recruitment numbers for 2022 showed a significant increase over 2021. In total, 14 new introductory firefighters were hired, comprised of 10 men and 4 women of various demographics. Three of our new firefighters were graduates of the Howell High School Fire Academy.
- BAFA and Brighton Police teamed up in 2022 for the first time to hold a two-week First Responder Youth Summer Camp. We believed it was time to bring attention to the tremendous need for first responders and wanted to motivate our youth to consider public service, either police or fire, as a future career.
- Fire Prevention completed 1769 inspections and 192 plan reviews in 2022.
- Public education and community risk reduction efforts continued in 2022 with crews visiting various daycares, schools, senior housing facilities spreading our fire prevention message.
- BAFA hosted two Fire Academies in 2022. The Livingston County Firefighter Training Academy led by Chief of Training Greg Mowbray and the Howell High School Fire Academy led by Captain Tom Kiurski were both held at our Station 34 where students completed a challenging and diverse array of skills.

- BAFA is very involved in the various County wide “Special Response Teams” as well as “MABAS”- Mutual Aid Box Alarm System. BAFA was deployed twice by MABAS in 2022. Once in October 2022 to the Paper Mill fire in Menominee, Michigan and in December 2022 for a grain storage tank fire in Hemlock, Michigan.
- Rescue 31 which experienced an electrical fire back in August of 2021 is still out of service. Repairs are on-going and we’re hoping to get it back in the next two months.

Good of the Order

Awards Ceremony is tomorrow, February 10th at 7 pm at BHS Performing Arts Center. Everyone is welcome!

Livingston County First Responders Benevolent Fund is hosting the “*Get Your Green On Gala*” at Crystal Gardens on March 18th to raise money for the benevolent fund. Tickets and sponsorships are still available, go to www.livcofr.org for more information.

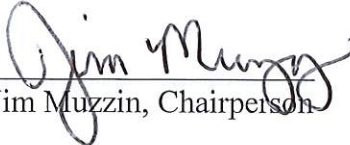
Chief and the board members toured the new Station 33 facility.

Adjournment

23:014 Motion by Patrick Michel supported by Joe Riker that we adjourn this meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

This meeting was adjourned at 8:32 am


Jim Muzzin, Chairperson