## BRIGHTON AREA FIRE AUTHORITY October 9, 2025

# **Regular Board Meeting**

The Regular Meeting of the Brighton Area Fire Authority Board was held on Thursday, October 9, 2025 at Station 32 located at 1580 S. Old US-23, Brighton. This Regular Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Jim Muzzin, at 8:00 a.m.

PRESENT: KEVIN SPICHER

TODD WALKER
PATRICK MICHEL
JIM MUZZIN
SHAWN PIPOLY
MIKE CORRIGAN

ABSENT: JOE RIKER

ALSO PRESENT: Michael O'Brian - Fire Chief

Pledge of Allegiance

#### Call to the Public

Susan Walters, City of Brighton resident, questioned why we were buying Pink T-shirts.

## Approval of Consent Agenda

25:057 Motion by Patrick Michel supported by Mike Corrigan

That we approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion carried unanimously

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# Approval of Regular Agenda

25:058 Motion by <u>Patrick Michel</u> supported by <u>Todd Walker</u>

That we approve the Regular Agenda as presented.

Motion carried unanimously

## <u>Livingston County Firefighter Training Academy Graduation - Class of 2025</u>

On October 1, 2025 we celebrated the Livingston County Fire Academy class of 2025 as they graduated from the "Fire Academy." This program started in 2024 and completed their certification as a State of Michigan Firefighter (Firefighter 1 and 2) as well as Emergency Medical Technician (EMT-B).

BAFA provides the overall coordination and leadership on the program which is coordinated with peer organizations.

Thank you to Chief of Training Mowbray, Captain Bunge, Lt. Hordos, and Sgt. Wisby who were our lead instructors and coordinators of the two programs.

We had 32 total staff complete the program, 13 of which are employed by the Fire Authority. We are proud of our staff and everyone who completed the program.

## **Update on Radio Communications**

During the September 11, 2025 BAFA Board meeting, Resolution 25-03 was approved by the BAFA Board Directors in response to concerns over the radio communication systems.

Staff continues to work with Livingston County Central Dispatch on weekly updates on the VHF paging system

- The system has been restored to simulcast VHF paging. At this time there are open items (Green Oak Tower connectivity, repair of the FIBER portion of the system, voice quality from the dispatcher, as well as maintenance of the system).
- Fire Chief OBrian has had multiple conversations with Commissioner Deaton and worked to establish an in-person meeting.
- Fire Chief O'Brian and Chief Adam Carroll (Hartland/Deerfield) met with Genoa Township representatives and Commissioners Fiani, Drick and Nakagiri, The meeting was held at Genoa Township Hall, and focused on multiple items:
  - VHF Paging
  - o Tower Project
  - o Replacement/repair of computer-aided dispatch
  - o Long-term strategies and funding discussion

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### Update on Station 31 Construction Project

- The City of Brighton has approved the project as part of the revised site plan on September 23, 2025.
- Multiple construction project meetings have taken place with Brivar and subcontractors.
  - o Design changes have occurred as the designs of the building are finalized.
- Administration will be relocated to Fire Station 32 as of October 15, 2025 (1580 S. Old US 23, Brighton, MI 48114).
- Fire Operations will be moved to Fire Station 33 (Weber) as of November 4, 2025.
- Staff continue the process of removing equipment, furniture, and fixtures. Many items will be reutilized in the new building while others will be sold as part of the process.
- Staff continues to work with vendors on additional items needed for the project. This includes office furniture and fixtures, station alerting, IT, and the like.
- It is anticipated that demolition will begin mid November 2025.
- Estimated turnover is December 1, 2026.

#### Good of the Order

Congratulations to Fire Marshal Richard Boisvert for completing his presidential year with the Michigan Fire Inspectors Society, now he will serve in a past presidential role.

BAFA Open House is Saturday, October 11th from 10 - 2 pm at Station 31

Halloween Party is Friday, October 31st from 6 - 9 pm at Station 31

Chief O'Brian will be speaking at WHMI's Radiothon at 5:30 tonight.

Chief O'Brian addressed Susan's question regarding the Pink T-shirts:

We purchased uniform Pink T-shirts for staff to wear in the month of October in support of Brighton High School's Breast Cancer awareness initiative.

#### Adjournment

25:059 Motion by <u>Mike Corrigan</u> supported by <u>Patrick Michel</u> that we adjourn this meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

This meeting was adjourned at 8:39 am.