

BRIGHTON AREA FIRE AUTHORITY

July 9, 2026

**Regular Board Meeting**

The Regular Meeting of the Brighton Area Fire Authority Board was held on Thursday, July 9, 2026 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  
                  SUSAN GARDNER  
                  MIKE CORRIGAN

ABSENT:           JOE RIKER

ALSO PRESENT:   Chief O'Brian  
                      Fire Marshal Richard Boisvert

Pledge of Allegiance

Call to the Public

Ms. Susan Walters, City of Brighton resident, raised a question regarding the payment made to Boxcar Studio.

Approval of Consent Agenda

26:042           Motion by Patrick Michel supported by Kevin Spicher  
                      That we approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion carried unanimously

Approval of Regular Agenda

26:043 Motion by Susan Gardner supported by Mike Corrigan  
That we approve the Regular Agenda as presented.

Motion carried unanimously

Request to Purchase Turn-Out Gear and Pants

26:044 Motion by Patrick Michel supported by Mike Corrigan

That we approve the purchase of 100 sets of turn-out coats and pants for an amount not to exceed \$338,000 from Municipal Emergency Services, Inc. (MES).

AYES: Jim Muzzin, Susan Gardner, Patrick Michel, Kevin Spicher, Todd Walker,  
Mike Corrigan

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Joe Riker

ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried 6-0

Good of the Order

Chief O'Brian requested that Anne Campbell respond to Susan's inquiry regarding the Boxcar Studio check. Anne clarified that this payment was for the hosting and maintenance of the BAFA website.

We had an excellent turnout for the 4th of July 250 Parade. We extend a major thank you to all staff members for their support, and it was wonderful to see the City hosting the pancake breakfast once again.

The planned trip to inspect the replacement fire engine was unfortunately cancelled and must be rescheduled. We are currently awaiting an update regarding its status.

This month, 3 of our Engines were out of service for repairs.

Because Station 31 will still be under construction, the Fire Marshal has been collaborating with the City of Brighton to finalize arrangements for hosting our fire department Open House downtown this October. This will involve a brief closure between Hyne & West Street to set up our fleet and conduct demonstrations.

Construction on Station 31 is moving along nicely. The Chief intends to contact the Board shortly to organize a walk-through once the cement has been poured.

We continue to experience technical difficulties with receiving certain dispatches. Fortunately, backup systems such as Pulse Point have kept staff alerted, so no calls have been missed. Both BAFA and Hamburg are still encountering these dispatch issues. It appears a large Osprey nest located at the top of the Tower at 32 may be degrading the signal.

Our new Administrative Assistant, Nicole Parks, is scheduled to start next Monday, July 13th. She fills the vacancy left by Chris VanBlaricum in early May. We look forward to her joining us, and she will be officially introduced to the Board at the August meeting.

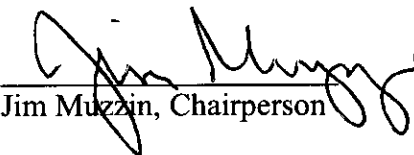
Board acknowledgments include Todd Walker thanking BAFA for their prompt and excellent response to the July 4th fire at the Oak Pointe bath house. Additionally, Susan Gardner expressed gratitude for BAFA's community services, including smoke alarm installations and car seat inspections, while Kevin Spicher commended BAFA for doing a fantastic job with the 4th of July parade.

#### Adjournment

26:045 Motion by Mike Corrigan supported by Patrick Michel that we adjourn this meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

This meeting was adjourned at 8:23am.

  
Jim Muzzin, Chairperson