

**WRIGHT TALLMADGE FIRE BOARD**

**JUNE 3, 2025**

**7:00 PM AT**

**TALLMADGE TOWNSHIP**

7:00 Valdyne Schwallier called the meeting to order.

Members present: Sharyl Dietrich, Mike Eppink, Rick Schoenborn, Valdyne Schwallier

Also present: Jon Alkema, Mark Bennett, Mike Gavin

Absent: Adam Taylor

Motion made by Schoenborn, seconded by Eppink to approve bills to be paid for June, July and August 2025.

Motion made by Schoenborn and seconded by Dietrich to approve meeting minutes from February 5 Budget Workshop and March 4 Board Meetings.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- Attenuator Truck (highway blocking truck) very near ready for service.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- Motion made by Dietrich and seconded by Schoenborn to appoint Mike Gavin as Fire Chief from June 2025 through May 2026. Roll call, all ayes, motioned carried.
- Board recognized Josh Thibault for his hard work and dedication in passing the Fire Inspector Certification Training.

**FIRE CHIEF REPORT AND UPDATES**

- Gavin and Alkema attended the Fire Chiefs conference in Novi.
- Fire Association purchased another drone.
- Gavin requesting to purchase another new truck for inspections. Thibault's opinion is requirements be minimum, just enough to get by.
- Cost will be presented at September's Board Meeting.
- Berlin Fair week coming up. As always, the Fire Association will be working hard at raising money for the Association.
- Currently there are 2 fire fighters on medical leave and one on military leave.
- Four members will be graduating from the Fire Academy this June.
- Tanker update – chassis will be built the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter this year and finer details of the truck are currently be worked through.
- May was a busy month for the Fire Department.
- New sign is installed.
- Room at 1565 Jackson almost complete.
- Gavin asked Wright Township to purchase security cameras for 1565 Jackson St.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sharyl Dietrich