ERIE COUNTY FIRE ADVISORY BOARD – NOTES									
MEETING DATE:	3/27/2025								
LOCATION:	Erie County Training and Operations Center								
START TIME:	18:12								
	PRESENT: Ron Endle, Kevin Herzog, Robert Rackl, Alex Doll, Joleen Schlossin								
ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:	ABSENT:	Jennifer Andres, Andrew Beehler, Jack Chiappine Jr., Matthew Coons, James Gajewski, Shad Garner, Michael Griffin, Jim Guy, Kevin Jewett, Scott Kuhlmey, Tom Partridge, William Renaldo, Donald Roth, Peter Spilsbury Jr.,							
memberto.	EXCUSED:	Garrett Wynn, Bob Zacher Roger Brennan, Paul Gorczyca, Eric Karcher, Doug Lahnen, Tom Morris, Dan Nash, Scott Plecha, Mike Zekas							

DISCUSSION:

As there was no quorum, this was not an official meeting.

Treasurer Report: added \$13 this meeting, total = \$103.92

Ron Endle provided a flash drive of the final LODD information. Erie County Fire Safety to provide this information on the website.

Deputy Fire Coordinator Report:

- -parts of a Christmas movie starring Mario Lopez will be filmed at the training academy late next week. ECTOC staff will be preparing the grounds this week and early next week. Resolution with the legislature provide for further opportunities without having to go through the process again.
- -Draeger building update the Commissioner is working with the County Executive and the town of Cheektowaga to get this project taken care of. The county engineers keep wanting to give us a Certificate of Occupancy when we need a Certificate of Compliance (as this is a prop, not a structure, no electricity, etc.)
- -just ran our first Fire Officer 3 class at the end of February. It went very well. 26 of 28 successfully graduated. -lack of information from the state regarding proboard testing has been a problem, so working through that. Alex is a part of a committee of fire coordinators that meets with Deputy Administrator Lucy every other month or so that discusses training.
- -trying to get more tech rescue style classes; trench rescue, collapse, etc. The state says we should be good because we have Buffalo Fire in our county. Buffalo Fire is willing to assist the county, however, they may not always be available.
- -Survey request sent to all fire chiefs requesting information on primary mutual aid organizations for each department (hazmat, trench, collapse, etc). Once all the data comes back, we can try and assist departments who may be outlining other departments that don't have the training or equipment for that discipline.
- -Mutual aid plans need to be resigned this year. This gets done every 5 years. We have started the process of reviewing the information to see if any changes need to be made. Our goal is to have that review done and out to all the departments by the end of summer. That way, we can get the signatures back by mid fall before the changeover in chiefs.
- -Our new employees in the Fire Safety office have been in place for a few weeks and have been working out well. Chris Colvin is full-time, which has been very helpful. Jon Torre will be taking over most of the education/training classes, leaving Alex to focus on special operations (hazmat, tech rescue, etc).
- -They're going to be doing a study on the large tower. Resolutions are in and the capital improvement is done, so all good to go there. Discussed at previous meetings was the fact the state assembly was giving us money to repair that tower, but we're not sure if we still have that money, as Monica Wallace was spearheading that, and she is no longer in the state assembly. The first step is to have the study done and then we'll go from there.
- -Discussed the date for this year's Wall of Honor Ceremony. As the training academy classrooms fill up quickly, we want to get something on the calendar. The date picked was Thursday 10/23/25. Joleen will add to the facility calendar.

NEXT MEETING DATE:	05/29/25
NEXT WORKSHOP DATE:	04/24/25
ADJOURNMENT:	19:20
NOTES PREPARED BY:	J. Schlossin

	MEETING:	☑ REGULAR ☐ SPECIAL	DATE:	3/27/2025		LOCATION:	FTA		
	Name	Board Appointments	# of Terms	Expiration Date	Phone #	Email	Signature	ABSENT	EXCUSE
1	Andres, Jennifer		1st	12/31/2026	716-908-4446	Jenniferandres919@gmail.com			
2	Beehler, Andrew		2nd	12/31/2025	716-954-9712	andrewbeehler@gmail.com			
3	Brennan, Roger		2nd	12/31/2026	716-525-6617	firesafetyguy72@gmail.com			X
4	Chiappone Jr., Jack		2nd	12/31/2026	716-628-5458	ichiappone813@gmail.com			
5	Coons, Matthew		1st	12/31/2026	716-462-7978	mdcoons9@gmail.com	0 0 00		
6	Endle, Ronald		2nd	12/31/2025	716-479-4186	ronfirellc@aol.com	for Edly		
7	Gajewski, James		4th	12/31/2025	716-864-6748	commjim10@yahoo.com			
8	Garner, Shad		2nd	12/31/2026	716-984-6928	seabass126@yahoo.com			
9	Gorczyca, Paul		3rd	12/31/2025	716-866-1634	gork315@gmail.com			X
10	Griffin, Michael		4th	12/31/2026	716-714-9772	opie652@gmail.com			1
11	Guy, James		2nd	12/31/2025	716-544-0327	jhguy@verizon.net			
12	Herzog, Kevin	Co-Chair	4th	12/31/2026	716-725-2984	kherzog@twindistrict.com	Ry		
13	Jewett, Kevin		2nd	12/31/2025	716-512-9054	kevin.jewett@erie.gov	~		
14	Karcher, Eric		4th	12/31/2026	716-697-1395	ek7166971395@aol.com		-	X
15	Kuhlmey, Scott	-	4th						
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16	Lahnen, Douglas	1	4th	12/31/2026	716-864-2240	delahnen@gmail.com			X
17	Morris, Thomas		1st	12/31/2026	716-491-1979	eastaurorafire@gmail.com			X
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24	Spilsbury, Jr., Peter		4th	12/31/2025	716-583-0183	pspilsbury@wsfd5.com			
25	Wynn, Garrett		3rd	12/31/2025	716-570-2209	gwynn@ucrestfire.org			
26	Zacher, Robert		2nd	12/31/2025	716-863-1388	rjzacher@roadrunner.com			
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	Schlossin, Joleen	Scribe			716-681-7111	joleen.schlossin@erie.gov	1200	(-	