



NORTHWEST REGIONAL FIRE TRAINING CENTER

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This report is being submitted to the Board of Directors of the Northwest Regional Fire Training Center to give an overview of the activities held at the Training Center for the fiscal year October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020.

For this fiscal year we received \$19,452.38 from the State of Michigan for instructor fees and expenses. Fire works funding for this year will be used again for EMR and Firefighter 1 & 2.

The Board of Directors did review the fee schedule this year and made a change to this schedule with the addition of EMS and AHA classes.

Our Firefighter I & II class this year started with 25 students. We had a few withdraw before COVID, then the schedule changes due to COVID has a few more not to be able finish with the class. However, gave them the ability to challenge at other locations.

We held one Driver Training UTV T-t-T classes this year with a total of 20 students. We offer one in the fall before the Firefighter class starts then one in the spring after class ends.

Extrication was different this year due to COVID. The fire class just completed the basic class to not further delay the final exam for fire school. We did offer the extrication late summer and only had few in attendance.

We held a total of four U.S. Coast Guard approved Combined Basic and Advanced Firefighting classes. We held two classes for the Great Lakes Maritime Academy Cadets and one for the shipping industry. We had a total of 48 students attend and all passed. The March scheduled training was cancelled due to COVID.

We held Fire Instructor 1 with 12 students in the class.

We partnered with RAFT / Proboard and had several students complete FO 1 and then ones able complete FO 2.

An area department received fire works funding for flash over training. This was offered two different times. We had a total of 57 attend this training.

Law enforcement agencies continue to use the Training Center. They do both ERT training and the K9 teams.

We did have a several area departments hold trainings at the Training Center for their own departments. It is good to see it used for this.

The board approved several improvement projects for the center, new paint in the main building, new pain and repairs to the "hotel" building, purchased the engine from Peninsula, Dry hydrant repair.

I would like to thank all the instructors that have really stepped up and helped during these challenging times of providing training. It has been very encouraging seeing all the ways that we never thought of before to get the training across. There is one thing very common in the fire service and we adapt and over come!

Our current Board Chairman is Chief Jim Tuller of the Traverse City Fire Department.

I look forward to this next year and continuing to grow our class sizes. It is great to see the new partnerships we are forming and to adjust the training to the needs of our members.

Respectfully submitted,

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