

## Breitung Township Fire Dept. Report

May 23, 2022

We have received one new application for the Fire Department from Stephen Schalow. Steve does bring fire service experience, already has Michigan FF II certification and is also currently a part time Fire Fighter with the City of Iron Mountain. His background check came back as unremarkable. He has been interviewed by both myself and Assistant Chief Ryan Cousineau and we recommend his approval as a member of the Breitung Twp Fire Department.

We have been working on training for our new Probationary Fire Fighters. The individual stations have been working with the new Fire Fighters at each station to familiarize them with the various equipment and procedures for responding to various calls. We are also putting together some training targeted at this group to ensure that they are able to respond and contribute to our overall effectiveness. Our experienced personnel have taken a lead in working with newest members.

There was a training session on introduction to the basics of rope rescue conducted earlier this month. This was intended to target the new Fire Fighters, and those that in the past have not been interested in this training. It also reinforced some of the basic raining in Fire Fighter I & II Training.

We are also continuing to investigate the potential opportunity to have an acquired structure training burn late summer early fall. We are currently working with EGLE to find out exactly we need to do to satisfy their requirements. The next step will to have an environmental survey conducted to determine what hazardous materials are present and at what levels.

Fire Fighter I & II training will wrap up this week with Practical and written testing.

Respectfully Submitted

Jim Rose