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To the Town of La Pointe,

Please find the Fire Department's monthly report below, outlining training activities, equipment updates, and administrative matters from the past month.

Training and Operations

Last month, the Fire Department conducted training on our newly acquired carbon monoxide detector, as well as truck compartment contents and operational use. These trainings ensure all members are familiar with equipment placement, function, and safe deployment.

The Ice Rescue Team met and completed a full inventory and safety inspection of all ice rescue equipment. Additionally, the department conducted an in-water rescue training led by our newly appointed Ice Rescue Coordinator, William Hagen.

Equipment and Apparatus Updates

The Husky windsled is currently undergoing hull repairs by Nelson Construction and is expected to be ready for use during the upcoming season. A new Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was agreed upon and signed by both Windsled Inc. and the Town of La Pointe. This updated MOU clarifies terminology related to sled descriptions and authorized operators.

The department has also received new stabilization equipment for use during automobile accidents. This equipment is crucial for firefighter and patient safety while operating on or around vehicle crashes. Training will be conducted this month, after which the equipment will be placed on apparatus.

The department selling the tanker we are interested in has tentatively accepted our offer of \$95,000, down from their original asking price of \$120,000. This reduced price allows room in the budget for required inspections and delivery costs.

EMS and Fire Department Equipment

EMS and Fire have received a new workout machine purchased using designated funds. We would like to extend our sincere thanks to Ray, Pete, and Trevor for assembling this impressive—but extremely complicated—piece of equipment.

Upcoming Training Opportunities

Assistant Chief Tyler Andreas is working with Northwood Technical College to arrange a live burn training this spring at the former ferry lodging. This will provide a valuable real-world training opportunity that cannot be replicated through classroom or simulated exercises.

Administrative Updates

An election for the position of Fire Chief will be held at the upcoming monthly meeting. Acting Chief Wiltz will be running for the position of Fire Chief.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or for additional information.

Respectfully submitted,

Acting Fire Chief Wiltz
La Pointe Fire Department