

Firefighters from Chippewa-Martiny FD would like to thank the tax payers in the capital improvement purchase in the sum of 82k for new air packs. These air packs are our lifeline to keep us safe. Over a year ago we started searching and reviewing new technologies since our old MSA air packs were getting dated. We were running into packs failing and bottles have to be replaced every 15 years per guidelines. It didn't make economic sense to keep pouring money in old equipment. We did apply for a grant and were unsuccessful. The Chippewa-Martiny Fire Board approved the purchase of the new Dräger packs after receiving bids and input from FF's that had used demo air packs from multiple manufacturers. These air packs have the newest technology with hands free radio communications in every mask. Our old packs we had to share masks. The new packs every Firefighter will have their own assigned to them. After rigorous training to adapt to these packs we placed them into service last night. The old packs will be donated to the Mecosta-Osceola Career Center for the Public Safety program. Thank You for your continued support for your community department.



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