

**City of Norwich
Youth Board Meeting
October 2, 2024**

Board Members:

Present: **B. Burton**
 L. Powell-Owens
 J. Brown
 K. Thompson

Absent: **M. Telesky**
 P. Marks
 K. Hazen
 M. Loughren
 H. Graves
 J. Colley
 J. Hagenbuch
 J. Eddy
 Student Rep: A. Telesky
 Student Rep: J. Parker

Also: **A. Testani, A. Thompson**

With less than half the members present no official business was conducted.

Old Business:

YBD A. Testani presented the 2025 Youth Bureau budget. The proposed budget for 2025 is \$113,500, a 2.1% increase from 2024's budget. The increase is driven by a 3.3% increase in minimum wage, plus the additional of a wrestling instructor and increase the rental of the cost of the soccer center. These increases are offset by a decrease in the Youth Bureau Director's hour. In 2024 the budget included 22 hours per week for the YBD. Actual hours are less than the budgeted amount. The 2025 budget includes 19 hours per week for the YBD.

New Business:

Due to the number of kids in the wrestling program, an additional wrestling instructor was added to the staff. Frankie Garcia will be new our new wrestling instructor. Frankie is currently the modified wrestling coach and a teacher a Perry Browne School.

Town Contracts:

The town contracts are with the city attorney for review. Once back those will be mailed out. We have already heard from the town of Plymouth that they will be signing the contract this year.

Next Meeting:

We will not meet in November. Our next meeting will be **December 4, 2024**, at 6:00 PM in the city court.