

Mountain Fire Protection District

Trustee Meeting

June 20, 2019

In Attendance: Trustees Neil Nelson, Clem Remillard, Mike deWit and John Gregson. Tony Wright absent. Administrator/Financial Officer Sarah Zubkowski. Fire Chief Russ McMann and Assistant Chief Russ McCallum. Resident Charles Pinker.

Meeting called to order @ 6:58 pm by Neil Nelson. Second by Mike deWit. MSC.

Correspondence:

- Sarah Zubkowski received an email regarding the director's liability insurance renewal.

Financial Report: presented by Sarah Zubkowski.

- List of bills noted.

Fire Department Report: presented by Russ McCallum.

- 2 calls in May – 1 burning complaint and a power line call.
- 31 members currently.
- Campfires have been shut down by Russ McMann this week. There have been multiple wildfires close to the district.

Old Business:

- Clem Remillard followed up on the provincial grant monies that may be available to the smaller fire departments. Liaison in Victoria did not know about the grants. Clem to follow up further at a later date.
- Clem Remillard has agreement signed between Dale Fulton and the District for an easement for the piece of property to be used for the water tanks.
- Legal agreement received from Russ McMann regarding the water tank in his Shady Mile subdivision. Board to review further and have the District's lawyers review as well. The board is asking that Russ McMann get an engineering report on the water tank before we go any further.
- Russ McMann provided a drawing of placement of tanks. Board agrees. John Gregson to continue the process on the water tanks.
- Firefighters have been viewing used trucks and have found a few for comparison. Clem Remillard stated that the District has been approved for \$100,000. Firefighters to continue looking for a truck.
- Russ McMann stated that Darcy Morgan followed up on the Blue Sky Shaw service. Shaw stated that if the fire department is billed directly we can get a better deal. Approximately \$170/month. John Gregson stated that he will follow up with a contact at Shaw to see if we can keep the bill in the District's name.

New Business:

- Russ McMann stated that he needs a copy of the insurance for the mutual aid agreement with the City of Nanaimo.

- Clem Remillard stated that the District needs to decide where the money is going to come from for the water tank project and replacement truck. Options are reserve fund and borrowing from the government. Neil Nelson stated that we need to have a better idea of final numbers before we make a final decision.

Questions:

- Charles Pinker stated that Maureen Young asked if there is anything that the Department of Highways can do in the District. He stated that the road work is needed on Jingle Pot, Durnin and Maxey Roads. Russ McMann also brought up the school and having the ditches filled for safety.

Motions Adopted by E-Mail:

- Motion to pay bills and approve minutes made by Tony Wright May 21, 2019. Second by Mike deWit May 21, 2019. MSC.
- Motion to pay Sarah Zubkowski made by Clem Remillard Jun 3, 2019. Second by John Gregson Jun 3, 2019. MSC.
- Motion to pay bills made by Mike deWit Jun 4, 2019. Second by Clem Remillard Jun 4, 2019.
- Motion to pay bills made by Tony Wright Jun 11, 2019. Second by Clem Remillard Jun 11, 2019.
- Motion to pay Sarah Zubkowski made by Neil Nelson Jun 18, 2019. Second by Clem Remillard Jun 18, 2019.
- Motion to pay bills made by Neil Nelson Jun 18, 2019. Second by Mike deWit Jun 18, 2019.

Motion to adjourn meeting @ 7:50 pm made by John Gregson. Second by Neil Nelson. MSC.

Next meeting July 25 @ 7 pm.