

Mountain Fire Protection District

Trustee Meeting

November 18, 2021

In Attendance: Trustees Tony Wright, Clem Remillard, Dave Stewart and Neil Nelson. Harold Kamikawaji absent. Administrator/Financial Officer Sarah Zubkowski. Fire Chief Russ McMann, Assistant Fire Chief Russ McCallum and firefighter Darcy Morgan.

Meeting called to order @ 7:01 pm by Neil Nelson. Second by Tony Wright. MSC.

Correspondence:

- Sarah Zubkowski received a Statistics Canada survey regarding the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Russ McMann stated that the RDN reached out regarding sandbags for Maxey Road. RDN dropped off the sand and bags and the fire department provided the labour to assemble the sandbags. Clem Remillard will post on the website that if anyone needs sandbags there are some left.
- Clem Remillard contacted the MP regarding getting a Canada flag for free for the District. Her office is in the process of opening to the public..

Financial Report: presented by Sarah Zubkowski.

- List of bills noted and discussed.

Fire Department Report: presented by Russ McMann.

- 2 calls in October – 1 MVI and 1 structural.

Old Business:

- The loose gravel around the fill spots for the water tanks still have not been filled.
- The fire department met with the representative from Rocky Mountain Phoenix to see where costs can be saved on the truck replacement design. The new design and price should be received by December.
- Clem Remillard talked to the City of Nanaimo regarding the signs in the District and now has contacted a company to have signs made. Quoted about \$42 per sign. Russ McMann asked if the materials of the sign can be verified to ensure that the signs last a long time. Clem Remillard stated the signs are made of aluminum with protective sheeting. Fire department to come up with a sign design.
- Two rescues recently and the City of Nanaimo was not automatically called to respond. Tony Wright asked if it dispatches responsibility to call the City for mutual aid to a rollover/rescue call. City of Nanaimo was automatically paged for entrapments callouts in the past. It is currently not in the mutual aid agreement. The new mutual aid agreement will rectify this however this has not been approved. The firefighters are not sure whether the new dispatch service will automatically callout to the City. The fire department may need to respond to mvi's and require more training if this is the case.
- Dave Stewart asked if the fire department got a new chair for Sally Burnett yet. No they have not.

New Business:

- Tony Wright stated that there is a sill at the back of the hall that needs to be repaired. Russ McMann stated that he can give this a quick fix for now.
- The District would like to thank Rogers Trucking and Landscaping for cleaning up the pumpkins around the fire hall.
- Dave Stewart mentioned that there is a cable on Maxey Road that is low hanging and he is concerned that someone might hook it with a large vehicle. Darcy Morgan stated that it is a Shaw Cable.
- Russ McMann asked if Main Road was checking the District's culverts after the excessive rainfalls. Darcy Morgan stated that he saw someone in the District. Neil Nelson saw someone at the firehall.
- Clem Remillard asked if fobs are working and keys. No problems currently.

Questions:

- No residents in attendance.

Motions Adopted by E-Mail:

- Motion to pay Sarah Zubkowski made by Tony Wright Nov 1, 2021. Second by Neil Nelson Nov 1, 2021.
- Motion to buy gear for fire department made by Clem Remillard Nov 5, 2021. Second by Harold Kamikawaji Nov 5, 2021.
- Motion to pay bills made by Neil Nelson Nov 10, 2021. Second by Tony Wright Nov 10, 2021.
- Motion to pay Sarah Zubkowski made by Tony Wright Nov 16, 2021. Second by Neil Nelson Nov 16, 2021.
- Motion to pay bills made by Neil Nelson Nov 17, 2021. Second by Dave Stewart Nov 17, 2021.

Motion to adjourn meeting @ 7:29 pm made by Neil Nelson. Second by Tony Wright. MSC.

Next meeting December 16, 2021 @ 7 pm.