

Mountain Fire Protection District

Trustee Meeting

December 14, 2023

In Attendance: Trustees Neil Nelson, Harold Kamikawaji, Clem Remillard, Dave Stewart and Tony Wright. Administrator/Financial Officer Sarah Zubkowski. Deputy Fire Chief Dave LeNeveu, Captain Darcy Morgan and Burning Permit Liaison Wayne Morgan.

Meeting called to order @ 7:04 pm by Neil Nelson. Second by Tony Wright. MSC.

Correspondence:

- Received correspondence from Ministry of Highways regarding paving on Jingle Pot Road.
- RDN POZAC meeting and Creekside committees requested the firehall for meeting purposes.
- Received notification that District received the grant for 2024 in the amount of \$30,000.
- Firefighters received emails regarding Guy Fawkes and complaints about the fireworks.
- Sarah Zubkowski received notice from BC Hydro of a power outage on Dec 12, 2023.
- Sarah Zubkowski stated that the District received the \$577,000 fire truck monies.
- Tony Wright received a notice that the Government have received our water licence information and it will be reviewed sometime in the next 24 months.

Financial Report: presented by Sarah Zubkowski.

- List of bills noted and discussed.

Fire Department Report: presented by Dave LeNeveu.

- 6 calls – 1 MVI, 1 wildfire, 1 rescue, and 3 medical assists.

Old Business:

- Harold Kamikawaji reached out to a retired lawyer in the District who will provide some consultation on whether we will need to take issues to a lawyer. Clem Remillard also talked to a new lawyer about consulting on issues for us.
- Idemnification bylaw will be reviewed by a lawyer.
- Truck still in progress. Hoping to get by the end of January. Should be able to view once it is ready for a pump test. They have all the parts now.

New Business:

- Firefighters will not be practicing for the next 2 weeks.
- Dave LeNeveu asked if the generator needs to be refilled. Clem Remillard and Neil Nelson to check on this.
- TV above the computer in the bay stopped working. The tv from the office was moved down to the bay until a new tv is purchased.
- Wayne Morgan stated that the \$500 gas allowance he received is not covering the burning permit calls he is called out to. A large portion of the calls require him to drive to the resident's house for inspection. Approximately 8-10 km for each call. Wayne Morgan is asking for further compensation for his truck fuel. Perhaps through the gas card for the

trucks. Neil Nelson suggested that Wayne get a card just for him and then it will show separately on the bills. Wayne Morgan will need to keep his receipts and track his mileage. Neil Nelson to phone and request another card.

- Benson Creek meeting requested. Jan 18, 2024 11 am. Pozac meetings March 19, June 18, Nov 19, 2024 from 6-8 pm. Clem Remillard motions that the hall will be available for use for the requested meeting times. Neil Nelson second. MSC.
- Clem Remillard stated that a grant will be available for 2025 in the amount of \$30,000 and we can apply in October 2024.
- Fire fighters requested that we purchase 8 more chairs to replace old chairs that were disposed of. Tony Wright to follow up on this.
- Dave Stewart reached out to appraiser regarding the 1988 truck sale and received no response. Harold Kamikawaji to reach out to someone as well.

Questions: No residents in attendance.

Motions Adopted by E-Mail:

- Motion to pay bills and approve minutes made by Neil Nelson Nov 24, 2023. Second by Dave Stewart Nov 24, 2023. MSC.
- Motion to pay Sarah Zubkowski made by Harold Kamikawaji Dec 4, 2023. Second by Dave Stewart Dec 4, 2023. MSC.
- Motion to pay bills made by Harold Kamikawaji Dec 7, 2023. Second by Neil Nelson Dec 7, 2023. MSC.
- Motion to pay bills made by Harold Kamikawaji Dec 14, 2023. Second by Neil Nelson Dec 14, 2023. MSC.

Motion to adjourn meeting @ 7:45 pm made by Neil Nelson. Second by Tony Wright. MSC.

Next meeting is on January 18, 2024 @ 7 pm.