

GRAND VALLEY AND DISTRICT FIRE BOARD

September 19, 2016

The Grand Valley and District Fire Board met Monday, September 19, 2016 at the Grand Valley Fire Hall at 7:15 p.m. for a regular meeting. Board members Don MacIver, Philip Rentsch, Tom Nevills, Jane Aultman and John Ince were present, with Chair John Stirk presiding. Also in attendance were Secretary-Treasurer Susan Stone, Chief Kevin McNeilly, Deputy Chief Mike Agar and Deputy Chief Dave Stevenson also in attendance.

1. Meeting called to Order.
2. Late Submissions.
 - 2.1 None at this time.
3. Agenda.
 - 3.1 Motion passed to accept agenda as circulated.
4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest with Reasons
 - 4.1 None disclosed at this time. Can be declared at any time during the meeting.
5. Adoption of Minutes - June 23, 2016.
 - 5.1 Motion to adopt minutes as circulated.
 - 5.2 Business arising from the Minutes - none.
6. Unfinished Business.
 - 6.1 Snow Clearing Contract
No tenders received. To be re-advertised in the Wellington Advertiser and re-posted on websites. Resolution passed.
 - 6.2 Fire Works Bylaws
Draft bylaw discussed. Staff instructed to amend draft to address sale and display only, not discharge of fireworks. Enforcement an issue. Staff to follow up with OPP.
 - 6.3 Appreciation Night - November 18, 2016
Discussion ensued. MP and MPP to be invited to attend. Staff to obtain LCBO license. Hall and caterer booked. Awards to be determined.
 - 6.4 Firefighter Benefits
Secretary looking into benefits offered through the Chamber Plan, which have Gold/Silver/Bronze levels of coverage and is for not-for-profit groups. Information and application form being sent. Once quote received, representative can attend a meeting.
 - 6.5 Other
Nothing at this time.
7. Financials.
 - 7.1 Bills and Accounts
Motion passed approving accounts.
 - 7.2 Bank Account Information
Received.
 - 7.3 2016 Budget Summary as at September 15, 2016
Received.
 - 7.4 Fire Call Invoices Summary
Received.
 - 7.5 Capital Reserve Account Summary
Received and discussed. Equipment Reserve for vehicles questioned and clarified.
8. Grand Valley Fire Fighters Association Report
Gord Driscoll not in attendance. To be sent benefit information when received.

9. New Business

9.1 Call History Report by Date
Received. Different format requested.

9.2 Road Closure Notification
Chief McNeilly discussed situation whereby the Fire Department is not notified in a timely manner with respect to road/bridge closures, noting that Highway 25 directly across from the Fire Hall has been closed for a considerable time, of which they were not adequately consulted. He requested that notices be sent in advance of the event, should include emergency number at the closure, and should also be aware of bridge closures and weight restrictions. It was noted that Amaranth bridge on the 7th Line is now closed indefinitely, and a bridge in Grand Valley now has weight restriction, and trucks would be too heavy to cross.

9.3 Other
Nothing at this time.

10. Added Items ~ per Late Submissions resolution
Nothing at this time.

11. Closed Meeting
Nothing at this time.

12. Fire Chief's Report

12.1 Radio System Upgrade
Chief McNeilly reported on County grant approval for a 50% grant. Spectrum will now be proceeding with the work.

12.2 Training Facility Update
Funding received from Rainbow Ridge (\$4,000), Orica (\$7,000), and CN (\$1,000). Still working on finishing the facility, and will be putting up plaque, but is being utilized by other fire departments.

12.3 Other
Canada 150 events discussed and suggested that opening of the training facility could be included.

13. Confirming Resolution and Adjournment
Motion passed. Next meeting to be October 17, 2016 at 7:15 p.m.

The following resolutions were passed:

MOVED BY D. MACIVER, SECONDED BY T. NEVILLS

THAT the agenda be approved as circulated. **CARRIED.**

MOVED BY J. AULTMAN, SECONDED BY T. NEVILLS

THAT minutes of the June 23, 2016 meeting of the Grand Valley and District Fire Board be adopted as circulated. **CARRIED.**

MOVED BY D. MACIVER, SECONDED BY J. AULTMAN

THAT snow clearing tender be re-advertised in Wellington Advertise, to be posted on Township websites and on Fire Department website. **CARRIED.**

MOVED BY P. RENTSCH, SECONDED BY J. INCE

THAT the Bills and Accounts from June 20, 2016 through September 14, 2016 in the amount of \$65,490.28 be approved for payment. **CARRIED.**

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MOVED BY P. RENTSCH, SECONDED BY J. INCE

THAT all actions of the Board Members and Officers of the Grand Valley & District Fire Board, with respect to every matter addressed and/or adopted by the Board at the September 19, 2016 meeting are hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed;

AND THAT each motion, resolution and other actions taken by the Board Members and/or Officers at the meeting held on September 19, 2016 are hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed. **CARRIED.**

MOVED BY T. NEVILLS, SECONDED BY J. AULTMAN

THAT the Board adjourn to meet again October 17, 2016 at 7:15 p.m. or at the call of the Chairperson. **CARRIED.**



CHAIR



SECRETARY