

Counsel Meeting-06/08/2020

Calls:

- Statistics (# and type of calls)

Staffing changes/ New Hires :

Training /Seminars :

- Currently have 6 members taking at least one firefighting course via online portals.

Equipment :

- Pump tests were done on Friday May 8th at St-Eugene Hall, by Battelshield. P1, P2, and PT5 were all tested and passed.
- Rescue 3 needs new brakes and a fuel pump, as it is leaking. Work will be done either in house or at the garage depending on severity and difficulty of task.
- Fuel activation switch has been installed on the inside of the St-Eugene fire hall, for safety purposes.

Recurring points (old):

N/A

Other Purchases

2020 proposed purchases:

- Cable decent system for PT5 (CAB) to facilitate lowering the portable pool drawer since right now it takes 3-4 people and is dangerous.

Pay grade structure/incentive :

N/A

Water shuttle test:

N/A

Bylaw:

N/A

Administration

- Would like to propose looking into a Mutual Aid / Fire Service agreements with the Rigaud Fire Department (for Chute-A-Blondeau/St-Eugene), Alexandria Fire Department (for St-Anne) and St-Justine de Newton Fire Department (for St-Anne) due to shared borders with EHAWK and numerous resources within their departments (boat, high angle rescue team, confined space and trench rescue team, Kubota off road vehicle, aerial ladder, water tankers). Please see attached Mutual Aid agreement between Riviere-Beaudette, QC and South Glengarry, ON for reference pertaining to Mutual Aid agreements between departments in different provinces.
- Working on a job description document for each position in the fire services to clarify everyone's roles and responsibilities to facilitate members moving into new positions, as well as better organize requests and tasking through the chain of command.
- Would like to adopt a resolution that would help cover the cost of cancelled or no service required calls on the 417. UCPR and SDG municipalities are currently making a push to have these resolutions created for their districts in an attempt to place some pressure on the MTO to assist with the cost of dispatching our members to the 417 in the event that we are cancelled enroute (since we still need to pay our members for attempting to respond). Please see attached documents.

Health & Safety

- This year's SCBA FIT is still on standby due to Covid, but have contacted the technician, and will be scheduling it this summer.

Budget

New points:

- Would like to propose setting up an emergency / large purchase savings account for the fire department. Every month we could reallocate small amounts (then at years end, larger leftover amounts) from other fire budget categories to place into this account. This would serve as a down deposit on more expensive/larger purchases, or serve as an emergency fund if a large piece of equipment breaks. Under our current budget, we operate very comfortably as long as everything is running smoothly, however if a large piece of equipment breaks and/or unexpectedly needs replacing, then it would be hard to absorb that cost through our budget.

Recurring points (old):

- Would like to look into budgeting for a new rescue vehicle when the other vehicles ones are paid off. I have begun collecting some data on the type of rescue that a service like ours could benefit from.
- Would like to look into a New Fire hall budget. I have begun working on a presentation to present that shows the type of fire hall buildings that currently serve communities of our size.

Prevention

N/A

Volunteer

- Saturday June 13th Firefighters from CUPR will be passing/cycling through our community (from Alfred) around 2 pm to raise awareness for Muscular Dystrophy. They have requested to stop at the CAB fire hall (enroute to Montreal) to take a picture with PT4 as to be able to document their journey.