

MINUTES

FIRE SERVICES AND EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Fire Services and Emergency Planning Committee meeting held on Thursday May 7, 2015, at 10:30 a.m., in the Esquensing Room, Halton Hills Civic Centre.

Members Present: Councillors B. Lewis (Chair), B. Inglis, M. Johnson

Regrets: Mayor R. Bonnette; Councillor M. O'Leary

Staff Present: D. Smith, CAO; H. Olivieri, Deputy Chief; J. Martin, Deputy Chief; S. Jones, Town Clerk

1. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

2. Closed Meeting/Confidential Reports from Officials Delegations

NIL

3. Delegations

NIL

4. Reports & Memos to be considered by Committee

- A. MEM-FIRE-2015-0019 dated April 20, 2015 regarding Train Derailment Emergency Planning Exercise, Post-Incident Report. (Deputy Chief Olivieri)

H. Olivieri noted that the memorandum formalizes the recommendations there were outlined to the committee at the April 2015 meeting. H. Olivieri further noted that the Fire Department continues to receive positive comments, both internally and externally, regarding the emergency planning exercise.

Recommendation No. FIRE-2015-0014

THAT Memorandum No. MEM-FIRE-2015-0019 dated April 20, 2015 regarding Train Derailment Emergency Planning Exercise, Post-Incident Report be received for information.

CARRIED

- B. MEM-FIRE-2015-0012 dated April 9, 2015 regarding Self Contained Breathing Apparatus Procurement Update. (Deputy Chief Martin)

J. Martin noted that the Fire Department took delivery of 42 Air-Pak self-contained breathing apparatus, as well as pack-tracker Hand Held Receivers. The new equipment offers enhanced protection for firefighters.

Recommendation No. FIRE-2015-0015

THAT Memorandum No. MEM-FIRE-2015-0012 dated April 9, 2015 regarding Self Contained Breathing Apparatus Procurement Update be received for information.

CARRIED

- C. MEM-FIRE-2015-0011 dated April 9, 2015 regarding New Pump/Rescue. (Deputy Chief Martin)

J. Martin noted that the Fire Department took delivery of a new pump/rescue truck in April. The new truck design serves a dual purpose incorporating firefighting capabilities and increased storage capacity for ancillary equipment which is normally found on heavy rescue vehicles. The three stations are now equipped with the enhanced pump/rescue vehicles.

Recommendation No. FIRE-2015-0016

THAT Memorandum No. MEM-FIRE-2015-0011 dated April 9, 2015 regarding New Pump/Rescue be received for information.

CARRIED

- D. MEM-FIRE-2015-0016 dated April 27, 2015 regarding Pan Am/Parapan Am Games Update 2. (Deputy Chief Olivieri)

H. Olivieri spoke to the Pan Am/Parapan Am Games taking place in Milton through July and August. The Halton Hills Fire Department will not be directly impacted as a result of the games, however should a situation occur that requires assistance through the Mutual Aid Plan, Halton Hills Fire Department would respond accordingly. Senior fire department staff continue to participate in the planning of the games, along with emergency staff throughout the region, with respect to emergency services provisions.

Recommendation No. FIRE-2015-0017

THAT Memorandum No. MEM-FIRE-2015-0016 dated April 27, 2015 regarding Pan Am/Parapan Am Games Update 2 be received for information.

CARRIED

- E. MEM-FIRE-2015-0018 dated April 27, 2015 regarding Prevention Enforcement. (Deputy Chief Olivieri)

H. Olivieri advised committee of the new Ontario regulation which adds 41 new ticketable offences available to the fire department to assist with enforcement of the Fire Code regulations. While the department takes pride in promoting education to work with residents and commercial operations in getting compliance, there will be times additional enforcement efforts are needed. In these instances the new fines will offer a more efficient method of enforcing the Ontario Fire Code.

Recommendation No. FIRE-2015-0017

THAT Memorandum No. MEM-FIRE-2015-0018 dated April 27, 2015 regarding Prevention Enforcement be received for information.

CARRIED

5. Communications/Updates/Discussion Items

H. Olivieri noted May 3-9 is Emergency Preparedness Week. The theme “Know the Risks and Reduce Them Together” focuses on vulnerable occupancies and taking care of your neighbours. Emergency Preparedness Week is gaining a lot of media attention with information being presented through local media, media releases and social media.

6. Next Meeting

Thursday, June 4, 2015– 10:30
Halton Hills Civic Centre – Esquesing Room

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Rick Bonnette

MAYOR

Suzanne Jones

CLERK