

MINUTES

FIRE SERVICES AND EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Fire Services and Emergency Planning Committee meeting held on Thursday June 4, 2015, at 10:30 a.m., in the Esqueuing Room, Halton Hills Civic Centre.

Members Present: Mayor R. Bonnette (left 10:58 am); Councillors B. Lewis (Chair), B. Inglis, M. Johnson

Staff Present: D. Smith, CAO; B. Marshall, Deputy CAO & Fire Chief; J. Martin, Deputy Chief; R. Brown, Council and Committee Services Coordinator

1. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

2. Closed Meeting/Confidential Reports from Officials Delegations

NIL

3. Delegations

- A. John Martin, Deputy Chief was present and made a presentation to the Fire Services and Emergency Planning Committee regarding Crude by Rail Emergency Response Training

(Refer to Item No. 4C of these Minutes, MEM-FIRE-2015-0022)

J. Martin advised the committee that in April two staff from Halton Hills Fire Department were sent to the Security and Emergency Response Training Center (SERTC) in Pueblo, Colorado to attend a Crude by Rail training Course. The course was a three day course consisting of both classroom instruction and practical field exercises.

CN Officials assisted in securing the two spots for Halton Hills staff and CN Rail covered the costs for tuition, hotel and meals and the town covered the cost of travel and staff time. The training received by staff will be extremely beneficial to the Halton Hills Fire Department to assist in dealing with not only train derailments but all hazardous material emergencies.

4. Reports & Memos to be considered by Committee

- A. MEM-FIRE-2015-0020 dated May 13, 2015 regarding 2015 Risk Watch Blitz.

J. Martin informed the committee about the upcoming 2015 Risk Watch Blitz that is being held at the Gellert Community Centre June 8 & 9, 2015.

Recommendation No. FIRE-2015-0018

THAT Memorandum No. MEM-FIRE-2015-0020 dated May 13, 2015 regarding 2015 Risk Watch Blitz be received for information.

CARRIED

- B. MEM-FIRE-2015-0021 dated May 14, 2015 regarding Firefighter Wellness.

J. Martin explained the importance of Wellness initiatives for firefighters. He stressed the importance of firefighters being proactive regarding their health and the ways that the Halton Hills Fire Department is trying to promote wellness initiatives.

Recommendation No. FIRE-2015-0019

THAT Memorandum No. MEM-FIRE-2015-0021 dated May 14, 2015 regarding Firefighter Wellness be received for information.

CARRIED

- C. MEM-FIRE-2015-0022 dated May 28, 2015 regarding Crude by Rail Emergency Response Training.

(Presentation listed above)

Recommendation No. FIRE-2015-0020

THAT Memorandum No. MEM-FIRE-2015-0022 dated May 28, 2015 regarding Crude by Rail Emergency Response Training be received for information.

CARRIED

- D. MEM-FIRE-2015-0023 dated May 27, 2015 regarding Fire Department Headquarters Site Servicing Update.

J. Martin provided the committee with an overview of the progress made to date in converting the Fire Department Headquarters Station located at 14007 10 Side Road from a well and septic based system to being connected to municipal services.

The full conversion should be completed by June 30th, 2015.

Recommendation No. FIRE-2015-0021

THAT Memorandum No. MEM-FIRE-2015-0023 dated May 27, 2015 regarding Fire Department Headquarters Site Servicing Update be received for information.

CARRIED

- E. MEM-FIRE-2015-0024 dated May 27, 2015 regarding Vehicle Acquisition for Fire Department-Awarding of Tender T-030-15.

Recommendation No. FIRE-2015-0022

THAT Memorandum No. MEM-FIRE-2015-0024 dated May 27, 2015 regarding Vehicle Acquisition for Fire Department-Awarding of Tender T-030-15 be received for information.

CARRIED

5. Communications/Updates/Discussion Items

Chief Marshall announced that the Halton Hills Fire Department is in the process of applying for an app called 'Ask Rail". The 'Ask Rail' app can be used by firefighters when there is an incident. The app will allow firefighters to determine what substances/products are on each train. The use of this app will be heavily regulated and controlled so it can only be used when there is an incident. This app could be invaluable in an emergency situation.

6. Next Meeting

Thursday, September 3, 2015 – 10:30
Halton Hills Civic Centre – Esquesing Room

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:03 a.m.

Rick Bonnette

MAYOR

Suzanne Jones

CLERK