

Advisory Committee Meeting September 12th, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 7:10pm. Attending fire departments were IBPFD, Port Clyde, Port Latour, Barrington, and WSHVFD.

The minutes of the previous meeting was read and there was one error. Port Clyde, Port Latour and Barrington did not agree in principal to amalgamation but there is a meeting for more discussion on Monday, September 17th, 2012. The minutes were moved by Eugene Stoddard and 2nd by Troy Perry.

OLD BUSINESS:

Amalgamation meeting is set for Monday for the following fire departments- Port Latour, Port Clyde and Barrington.

Changes were made to the Mutual Aid Agreement and it will be signed by all the chiefs at the next Mutual Aid meeting.

The road signs that were in Shag Harbour has been removed and a road sign that was needed for Barrington Fire Department has been installed.

The issue of facial hair has sence come up at the last fire call. Two people were removed from their SCBA and were asked to leave the scene.

NEW BUSINESS:

The level one course opened at IBPFD with 9 people in attendance. This is not an acceptable number of people considering that is only 15% of the people that signed up for it. In discussion was how to get more

firefighters to show up. What was discussed was:

1. There should be a minimum requirement of time that is needed to acquire the level one course. If it is not met then the fire department has the option of letting the person go.
2. A week long course? This would not work at all because people would have to take vacation from work and don't want to spend it taking a course.
3. Changing the SOG's to mention that a "rookie" has 2 years to acquire the level one course. Have a review at the the end of year one to evaluate the attempt made by the "rookie" to acquire the level one course and either keep them or let them go so you can have the chance to allow another person into the fire department.

Eugene Stoddard made a motion that everyone should go back to their departments and have a discussion at their next meeting about the poor turn out at the level one course and see if the problem could be rectified. 2nd by Paul Thomas.

Graham Dixon wanted to mention about acquiring a private talk group for the Municipality of Barrington Fire Departments. This channel would have no other parties on it only the fire departments in the municipality. A motion was made by Eugene for Graham to bring information back to the next meeting on cost and if Yarmouth Control would be OK with this because they would have their own radio that would be purchased by the fire department for them to monitor. 2nd by Franklyn Chetwynd.

We continued to discuss the accounts that the Municipality of Barrington has set aside for the fire departments in the municipality

and we believe them to be Ice Rescue Fund, Dry Hydrant Fund, and a Truck Replacement/Amalgamation Capital.

Johnny Nickerson made a motion that we proceed with the purchase of the tag printer from one of the fire department funds available from the municipality. Also we as a group would like a update on the available funds from the municipality and how much monies that are in each. 2nd by Graham Dixon.

While this is being figured out everyone should go home and make a note of where they would like to have some dry hydrants.

A problem was acknowledged that there was some issues that were not addressed to the Advisory Committee and have gone straight to council and this is not acceptable as there is a policy which states that any fire department issues will be brought fourth to the Advisory Committee first before any action should be taken.

The dry hydrant by the kyack brooke must be fixed as it is eroding away. This must be fixed as soon as possible as there is not many dry hydrants in the area. This issue should be brought to council as this should fall under the Dry Hydrant fund. Motion made by Johnny Nickerson and 2nd by Paul Thomas.

Graham Dixon made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30pm and the meeting was adjourned.

Shannon Newell (Stacey Chetwynd)

Secretary.