

BARRINGTON MUNICIPAL FIRE SERVICE

Fire Service Advisory Committee Special Meeting Feb. 26, 2014

A special meeting of the Municipality of Barrington Fire Advisory Committee was held on February 26, 2014 at the Island & BP fire hall.

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 pm by Chairman Dave Kendrick.

Departments present were; Woods Harbour Shag Harbour, Island & BP, Barrington, Port la Tour, and Port Clyde. Councillor Jody Crook was also in attendance.

Prior to the meeting an email was sent to all chiefs in the municipality containing new information on unification of the municipal department.

Dave Kendrick explained that a new organization within the municipality to give Deputy Chiefs the power to take command in all municipal fire districts.

FSAC bylaws state that voting can be done by consensus, and as there were 17 directives to be decided that this method of consensus would be used.

Directives:

#1- With the Fire Service Coordinator acting as the Administrative head of the departments there should be 3 Deputy Chiefs in charge of Operations. There should be 1 Deputy Chief from each of the three districts: East, West and Central.

Directive #1 accepted by consensus.

#2- Voting for these Deputy Chiefs would take place in the districts that they were to be Deputy Chief in.

Directive #2 accepted by consensus.

#3- Each of the fire stations would have one Station Chief that would work under the Deputy Chiefs.

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Directive #3 accepted by consensus.

#4- Station Chiefs would be elected by members of their Department only.

Directive #4 accepted by consensus.

#5- The Deputy Chiefs will be members of the Department they were in before they were elected.

Directive #5 accepted by consensus.

#6- Both Deputy Chiefs and Station Chiefs if not properly trained would have to be trained by the end of this calendar year 2014.

Directive #6 accepted by consensus.

#7- Deputy Chiefs and Station Chiefs not acquiring their training would be replaced with someone that has the required training.

Directive #7 accepted by consensus.

#8- Captains and Lieutenants would have to be trained by the end of 2015.

Directive #8 accepted by consensus.

#9- The Deputy Chiefs would also belong to the incorporated body set up as the Barrington Municipal Fire Service for lines of authority.

Directive #9 accepted by consensus.

#10- The Deputy Chiefs would have authority in any of the three districts but the Deputy of a said district would be in charge if they were present.

Directive #10 accepted by consensus.

#11- If the said Deputy Chief from a district was not present then the senior Deputy Chief would be in charge.

Directive #11 accepted by consensus.

#12- On major incidents the 3 Deputy Chiefs would set up a Unified Command with the host Deputy Chief having the ultimate authority.

Directive #12 accepted by consensus.

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#13- The Deputy Chiefs and the Fire Service Coordinator would, as a group, attend as many of the Fire Department meetings as possible to inform members of any changes in the Municipal Fire Service.

Directive #13 accepted by consensus.

#14- Deputy Chiefs would have to take charge at any major incident in or out of their district when present.

Directive #14 accepted by consensus.

#15- The Deputy Chiefs would have authority under the Fire Safety Act and Municipal Government Act.

Directive # 15 accepted by consensus.

#16- Fire Department numbers will stay in place for the trucks as they are now; WH/SH #1, IBP #3, Bar. #4, PLT #5, and PC #6. If a Department disappears through unification of that Station, the number will be taken out of the system. These numbers are part of the Shelburne County Firefighters Association and were meant to be used on fire trucks to avoid confusion on Mutual Aid calls.

Directive #16 accepted by consensus.

#17- A Deputy Chief coming into your area from outside will be in charge if your Deputy Chief is not present.

Directive #17 accepted by consensus.

Motion made to send a recommendation to council to proceed with the unification of the Barrington and Port la Tour fire departments, and to consult with the Fire Service Coordinator. Motion made by Dwayne Hunt, seconded by Walter Scott, carried.

Motion made by Dwayne Hunt to allow Barrington and Port la Tour departments to put the purchase of land for a new hall in their budgets. Seconded by Franklyn Chetwynd, carried.

Motion made by Johnny Nickerson, that pending council's budget, monies from the Capital Purchases for fire department's fund for the purchase of land be lent to the Barrington and Port la Tour departments and be placed on their budgets for repayment. Motion seconded by Paul Thomas, carried, councillor Crook abstained.

Budgets have to be in by the end of February.

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Motion made by Dwayne Hunt that purchases over \$500.00 must be accompanied with a purchase order. Motion seconded by Jody Crook, carried.

Motion made by Jody Goreham that a Station Chief and a Deputy Chief must authorize purchases over \$500.00. Seconded by Dwayne Hunt, carried.

Bills of the department will be picked up once a week by the Fire Service Coordinator.

Discussion on the fire truck accident in Port Clyde.

Motion made to adjourn by Paul Thomas.