

Enniskillen/Oil Springs Joint Fire Commission Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, March 2, 2015
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Oil Springs Fire Hall
4589 Oil Springs Line, Oil Springs, ON

Committee Members Present: Al Charlton, Deputy Fire Chief
Mike Cumming, Fire Chief
Mary Lynne McCallum, Enniskillen Council Rep
Kathy O'Hara-Wilson, Chair/Enniskillen Council Rep
Rick Powell, Oil Springs Council Rep
Larry Wagner, Oil Springs Council Rep

Staff Members Present: Jennifer Turk, Secretary

Call to Order

Chair O'Hara-Wilson opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Welcome

At this time the Chair welcomed the members present to the Joint Fire Commission for the next Council term.

Election of Chair

Nominations were opened to the committee for the position of Chair for a one year term.

Motion #1 – *Wagner/Powell: That Councillor Mary Lynne McCallum be nominated to stand as chair for a one year term for the Joint Fire Commission. Carried.*

Councillor accepted her nomination and was elected chair

At this time, Councillor McCallum proceeded as Chair for the duration of the meeting.

Approval of Committee Minutes

Motion #2 - *O'Hara-Wilson/Wagner: That the previous minutes of September 8, 2014 be approved as submitted. Carried.*

Business Arising from Previous Minutes

CKLAG

Discussions took place regarding the current banking fees for the fire department. The Secretary gave an update that the municipality of Oil Springs is still moving forward with finalizing the contract to become a member to reduce banking fees for all bank accounts associated with the municipality.

Fire Trade Show

Discussions took place regarding when and where the trade show was to take place for 2015.

Pumper/Water Tanker

Discussions took place regarding the repairs that took place on the subject vehicle in 2014.

New Business

2014 Fire Call Summary

The Fire Chief gave a detailed report on the number of fire calls for 2014 for the department. Twenty-five (25) calls in total

Volunteer Firefighters

Discussions took place regarding the need for three (3) more firefighters for the department. Applications have been submitted however, interviews have not been scheduled to date. First Aid course planned for May 21, 2015 and hoping to have the three (3) new firefighters attend this training as part of their training.

Mutual Aid

Discussions took place regarding the request from Dawn-Euphemia Fire Department for mutual aid assistance from Enniskillen/Oil Springs Fire Department. No further proceedings for the mutual aid have taken place. The Fire Chief was reminded that an agreement would have to be put in place between the two departments prior to any mutual aid assistance.

Budget 2015

The Fire Chief presented to the commission the request of funds for the 2015 fire budget. Total request is \$99,722.00. Enniskillen share would be \$77,783.16. Oil Springs share would be \$21,938.84. It was noted that the 2014 budget was over by \$5,821.46.

Discussions took place at length regarding the different items listed in the budget.

Motion #3 – Wagner/Powell – That the 2015 budget as presented by the Fire Chief in the amount of \$99,722.00 be approved and Council be asked to present this budget to their Councils for approval at their next Council meetings. Carried.

WSIB Insurance

The secretary gave an update of the increase in WSIB premiums for 2015. No amount was known at the time, however the increase is not directed at the municipality because of what the municipality has done, the increase is because of how municipal employees are classified in the same class as firefighters. This “new” classification relates to an increase for 2015.

CPP/T4's

The Secretary gave an update to the commission regarding an invoice coming forth to the department for CPP not paid on the firefighters pay for 2014.

Addition to Fire Hall

Discussions took place regarding the proposed addition to the existing fire hall at 4589 Oil Springs Line. The Fire Chief presented the plan of adding another 56 ft x 40 ft structure to the south, attached to the existing building to house the RIT vehicle and 2 offices. The total amount of the project is \$138,461.06. The commission was asked to take this information back to their Councils for discussion.

Discussions took place regarding the firehall not being offered for renting out to individuals for birthday parties, anniversary parties, stag and does, etc. due to the potential of damage to equipment and fleet that is currently stored in the fire hall.

Retirement Party

Discussions took place regarding the retirement dinner and presentation of gifts for past Fire Chief Ken McIntyre. Event to take place Saturday, March 14 at the firehall. There is fifty-six (56) people expected to attend the dinner.

Adjournment

At 8:15 p.m., the Joint Fire Commission meeting was adjourned.

Motion #4 - *Wagner/Powell: That the Joint Fire Commission meeting be adjourned.*

Carried.

No date was set for the next Joint Fire Commission meeting.

Chair

Clerk