

TOWNSHIP OF WHITEWATER REGION
Committee Meeting

Meeting Title: **Fire Committee**

Date: **Wed, June 3, 2009**

Place: **Westmeath Recreation Centre**

Start Time: **2:00pm**

FIRE COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Adoption of Previous Minutes
3. Extrication Equipment Award – Discussion (to be presented at Committee)
4. RFP for Fire Pumper/Rescue Fire Fighting Apparatus – Discussion
5. Other Business
 1. Personnel Changes
6. Closed Meeting to discuss litigation, potential litigation, labour relations, and the security of the property of the municipality.
7. Adjournment

Present: Mayor Don Rathwell, Deputy Mayor Ron Lowe Councilors: Art Cobb, Jim Labow, Jack Ferguson, Izett McBride, Daryl McLaughlin, Jacob Rook and Joey Trimm

Staff Present: Dean Sauriol, Deputy Chief Wayne Heubner, Captain Richard Stone, Captain John Felix Cull, Firefighters Jonathan McLaren and David Norton

Adoption of Minutes

Moved by, Jacob Rook Seconded by Art Cobb

“Be it resolved that the minutes of the previous Fire Committee Meeting dated April 1, 2009 be adopted as circulated.”

Carried
Joey Trimm

Chairman Trimm reviewed and discussed to events leading to today.

Captain Cull walked through the RFP that was sent out and returned. Explained that the two major issues for the Fireman were weight and speed. They were not wanting the best but not the cheapest either.

He went through the specs and compared both in detail.

Questions from council ranged from;

- 1) If we have Hurst equipment in the Haley's, should we consider keeping the same type of equipment?
- 2) Clarification on width spread of the ram.

Chairman Trimm summerized the Private Donation requirements.

Significant discussion was entered into.

Clerk expressed his opinion on the Donations and summerized our present purchasing policy.

Captain Cull commented on the reasons for the Fire Departments recommendation.

Purchase of TNT extraction Equipment

Moved by Izett McBride, Seconded by Ron Lowe

“Be it resolved that the Fire Committee recommend to Council that we award the Purchase of TNT Extraction Equipment to AJ Stone Company LTD. At a cost of \$29,114.50, based on the Cobden Fire station recommendation, and the Lifetime warranty clause and deemed to be more user friendly by the department.”

Carried
Joey Trimm

RFP for Fire Pumper/Rescue Fire Fighting Apparatus – Discussion

Chairman Trimm introduced the events leading to this discussion.

Captain Stone spoke about a possible truck that may meet our needs. He described his visit to the manufacturer to view this 2009 demonstration unit.

Several comments were made regarding the financing.

RFP for Fire Pumper/Rescue Fire Fighting Apparatus

Moved by Jim Labow, Seconded by Ron Lowe

“Be it Resolved that the Township of Whitewater Region Fire Committee recommend to Council that the a Request for Proposal be prepared and mailed to appropriate dealerships for the purchase of a new Fire Pumper/Rescue Fire Fighting Apparatus. The request for proposal will have a closing date of June 11 and a decision to be made immediately. The financing of this vehicle shall be internally financed over a 2 or 3 year term to be determined upon receipt and award of the RFP.”

Carried
Joey Trimm

Personnel Changes

Moved by Jacob Rook, Seconded by Daryl McLaughlin

“Be it Resolved that the Township of Whitewater Region Fire Committee recommend to Council that they accept the resignation notification from:

Dan O’Mara – Westmeath	Kerry Papineau – Westmeath
Amy Lavalley – Beachburg	Dan Tucker – Beachburg
Nathan Troutman – Beachburg	Tom Hadder – Beachburg
Ralph Fluegel – Foresters Fall	Mike Valliancourt – Foresters Falls.”

Carried
Joey Trimm

Personnel Hiring

Moved by Jack Ferguson, Seconded by Jim Labow

“Be it Resolved that the Township of Whitewater Region Fire Committee recommend to Council that the following firefighters be hired:

Jen Robichaud - Westmeath	Adam Loback – Westmeath
Jamie Colman - ForesterFalls	
William Harris– Beachburg	Robert Watson – Beachburg
Hugh Martin - Beachburg	
Jeremy Austin – Westmeath	Michael Cribari – Westmeath.”

Carried
Joey Trimm

Fire Chief commended the department on last week’s motor vehicle accident on a job well done.

Closed meeting – Nothing

Adjournment

Moved by Izett McBride, Seconded by Art Cobb

“Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region Fire Committee meeting dated June 3, 2009 be adjourned at 4:10pm.”

Carried
Joey Trimm