

TOWNSHIP OF WHITEWATER REGION

Date: *Wednesday April 24, 2002* Start Time: *7:00 p.m.*

FIRE AND WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Adoption of Previous Minutes**
3. **Fire**
 1. **Fire Agreements - Discussion**
 2. **Fire Wardens issuing of Burning Permits - where & who issue them**
 3. **Health & Safety Committee - request for establishment**
 4. **Helmets - retiring fireman wanting them**
 5. **On call former Ross & Westmeath**
 6. **Reporting chief and Council pak - Who reports to Council**
 7. **Fire Hall Signage - Name on sign**
 8. **Beachburg Firehall Renovation - Update**
 9. **Haley Committee - report from meeting**
 10. **North Bay Conference - report**
 11. **Letters of resignation - firefighters**
 12. **Training Allowance for resignations**
13. **Other Business**
14. **Adjournment**

Present:- Reeve Gordon White, Deputy Reeve Donald Rathwell, Councillors - Donna Campbell, Art Cobb, Jack Ferguson, Robert Gervais, Jim Labow, Ron Lowe and Joey Trimm.

Fire Chiefs:- Wayne Heubner, Mike Moore, Dale Black and Les Thom

Staff Present:- D. Sauriol and R. Keith

Deputy Reeve Rathwell opened the meeting

Adoption of Minutes

Moved by A. Cobb, Seconded by Ron Lowe

“Be it Resolved that the minutes of the previous Fire & Waste Management Committee Meeting dated March 26th 2002 be adopted as circulated.”

Carried
D. J. Rathwell

Fire Agreements

Administration and Fire Chiefs to come up with cost re answering calls to Admaston/Bromley - Horton then set up meeting with respective Councils.

Fire Wardens issuing of Burning Permits

The previous wardens for Westmeath to be contacted, Deputy Reeve Donald Rathwell and Councillor Jack Ferguson to issue for the former Ross.

Fire Chiefs are to enforce, if charges to be laid, to contact Jacques.

Health & Safety Committee - request for establishment

Moved by Donna Campbell, Seconded by Jack Ferguson

“Therefore be it resolved that the Fire and Waste Management Committee recommend to the Council of the Whitewater Region that a Health & Safety Committee for the Region be established .”

Carried
D. J. Rathwell

Helmets - retiring fireman wanting them

Moved by Donna Campbell, Seconded by Ron Lowe

“Therefore be it resolved that the Fire & Waste Management Committee of the Whitewater Region recommend to Council that the Deputy Chief from Cobden, the Deputy Chief from the former Municipality of Ross if he resigns and the Chief from Westmeath receive their fire helmets and further that the other firefighters who have resigned receive a plaque stating their years service to the municipality.”

Carried
D. J. Rathwell

Reporting Chief and Council Pak - Who Reports to Council

Moved by Ron Lowe, Seconded by Joe Trimm

“Therefore be it resolved that the Fire & Waste Management Committee of the Whitewater Region recommend to Council that Fire Chief Wayne Heubner be the reporting Chief to staff and Council.”

Carried
D. J. Rathwell

Fire Hall Signage - Name on Sign

Moved by Jack Ferguson, Seconded by R. Gervais

“Therefore be it resolved that the Fire and Waste Management Committee of the Whitewater Region recommend to Council that Fire Hall Signage be tendered for all fire stations in the Whitewater Region.”

Moved by Joe Trimm, Seconded by Robert Gervais

“Therefore be it resolved that the Fire and Waste Management Committee table the motion for tendering the fire hall signage till more information from fire chiefs has been received.”

Carried
D. J. Rathwell

Beachburg Fire Hall Renovation - Update

Much discussion took place on the fire hall. A Committee has been set up consisting of C.A.O. Dean Sauriol, Fire Chief Mike Moore, Deputy Reeve Don Rathwell and Councillor Art Cobb, to review the drawings.

Haley Committee - report from meeting

Dale read a letter and reported on the meeting with Haley. Common set of guidelines working out.

North Bay Conference - report

Mike Moore reported that if there is fire hydrant protection, 10 firefighters should respond within 10 minutes, if it is in a rural area, 14 firefighters should respond in 10 minutes - this is hard to do. If there is a lawsuit, we would have to come up with standards, there have been many lawsuits, with firefighters or chiefs listed, but municipal responsible, everything comes into play, Ministry told not possible to have firefighters responding to calls within requested time.

Dale Black reported on Fire Safety re Bunk gear, annual cleaning and inspection must be done. \$45.00 round trip, sent, cleaned and inspected. Each suit has a number, so can check if suit has been inspected.

Geared to rural fire department. Important to cover ones self, should aim to zero fire deaths, through education and training.

Extension

Moved by Donna Campbell, Seconded by Jack Ferguson

“Therefore be it resolved that the Fire & Waste Management Committee extend the time of the meeting to 10:20 if needed.”

Carried
D. J. Rathwell

Letters of Resignation - Will go to Council

Training Allowance for resignations

\$50.00 paid up to the end of March - paid now.

Westmeath - Acting Fire Chief

Chief Thom was welcomed by Council and Fire Chiefs

Adjournment

Moved by Donna Campbell, Seconded Jack Ferguson

“Be it Resolved that the Township of Whitewater Region Fire Committee Meeting dated April 24, 2002 be adjourned at 10:15.”