

TOWNSHIP OF WHITEWATER REGION

Date: **Wednesday February 4, 2004** Start Time: **9:00 p.m.**

FIRE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to Order
2. Adoption of Previous Minutes
3. Departmental Report Clarifications
4. False Alarm Calls - Discussion
5. Red Cross Disaster Agreement
6. Personnel Resignation
7. Closed Meeting to discuss litigation, potential litigation, labour relations and the security of the property of the municipality
8. Other Business
9. Adjournment

Meeting called to order at 9.00 p.m.

Present:- Reeve Donald Rathwell, Deputy Reeve Ron Lowe, Councillors - Art Cobb, Jack Ferguson, Jim Labow, Daryl McLaughlin, Jacob Rook, Joey Trimm and Beulah Wright.

Staff Present:- Dean Sauriol, Wayne Heubner and Mike Moore

Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Donald Rathwell, Seconded by Jack Ferguson

“Be it Resolved that the minutes of the previous Fire Committee Meeting dated October 22, 2003 be adopted as circulated.”

Carried
Jim Labow

Departmental Report Clarifications

Chief Heubner explained the reasons for the response to a Basement Flooding call. Concerned that there was a potential fire threat.

Concern of Members was, should the Fire Department be responding to such calls.

False Alarm Calls - Discussion

Councillor Trimm suggested that we might investigate with other municipalities on what they are doing with false alarm calls.

Suggestion that we might educate public Re: False Alarms.

Councillor Trimm stated he would endorse a False Alarm By-law.

Red Cross Disaster Agreement

Agreement would help residents who are in need of help following a personal crisis.

Recommend Disaster Agreement

Moved by Joe Trimm, Seconded by Art Cobb

“Be it Resolved that The Fire Committee recommend to Council that the Clerk

Personnel Resignation

Moved by Ron Lowe, Seconded by Joey Trimm

“Be it Resolved that the Fire Committee recommend to Council that they regretfully accept the resignation of firefighters Peter Van Leyen - Cobden Station and Chris Lacroix - Westmeath Station.”

Carried
Jim Labow

New Volunteer Firefighter

Moved by Ron Lowe, Seconded by Joey Trimm

“Be it Resolved that the Fire Committee recommend to Council that Mr. Jonathan McLaren be accepted as a volunteer firefighter with the Whitewater Region Fire Department and be located at the Westmeath Station.”

Carried
Jim Labow

Reeve Rathwell declared conflict

Interim Firefighter

Moved by Joe Trimm, Seconded by A. Cobb

“Be it Resolved that the Fire Committee recommend to Council that Ryan Rathwell be accepted into the fire department on an interim basis in order to aid Mr. Rathwell into obtaining experience in the fire service.”

Carried
Jim Labow

Convene into Committee of the Whole

Moved by Beulah Wright, Seconded by Daryl McLaughlin

“Be it resolved that The Fire Committee of the Township of Whitewater Region convene into Committee of the Whole, to discuss personnel issues.”

Carried
Jim Labow

Extension

Moved by Beulah Wright, Seconded by Donald Rathwell

“Be it Resolved that The Fire Committee meeting dated Feb 4/04 be extended to 10:30 p.m.”

Carried
Jim Labow

Adjourn Committee of the Whole

Moved by Beulah Wright, Seconded by Jack Ferguson

“Be it resolved that The Fire Committee of the Township of Whitewater Region Committee of the Whole Meeting dated Feb 4/04 hereby be adjourned.”

Carried
Jim Labow

Adjournment

Moved by Jack Ferguson, Seconded by Beulah Wright

“Be it Resolved that the Township of Whitewater Region Fire Committee Meeting dated February 4, 2004 be adjourned at 10:30 p.m.”

Carried
Jim Labow