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KENTVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
REGULAR MONTHLY SOCIETY MEETING

MARCH 27 2019

Meeting called to order at 20:00 President Bobby Haines in the chair.

Guests—None

Moment of silence was called for Truro Firefighter Skylar Blakie

CORRESPONDANCE—None

PERSONNEL REPORT-- Laura Lake and Trayce Jarvis have completed their 6 Months probation and we recommend that they be taken on Active Strength.

Received an application from Samuel Forrest. Personnel has met with Sam and recommend he be taken on 6 months probation and placed on Pumper 12, Sam lives in town on Academy St and is in Grade 12 at NKEC High School in Canning.

It is with regret the personnel has received a letter of resignation from Julie Forget. Personnel has accepted this letter as of March 27 2019 and all Fire Department equipment has been returned

MILESTONES:

Mike Benjamin 29 years

Ian Fairclough 27 years

Doctor Chris King 1 year

Art Hamilton, chair personnel committee

Art Hamilton then introduced our new Padre, David Bielby. In his remarks, he said that he was very pleased to be able to come and join us, and hoped in time to remember all our names.

CHIEFS REPORT---Asked for any members to go to Truro for the funeral.

People on leave should not go to any alarms, chief made a mistake by sending 2 members who were on leave. So if you are in the station during an alarm stay in the shadows or go and have a poop till trucks have left. It could end up with a WCB issue.

Capital budget was approved at the March 18, 2019 rate Area Rate meeting. The total ask was for \$625,000.00. The big projects are-

Replacement planning for Engine 11 plus future planning for the future truck types to meet our future needs, refurbishment, and replacements.

Building architect to be engaged:-

To Prepare tenders for building roof replacement

Room and occupancy space to meet needs today and 20 years from now

Design showers, food storage, administration space, and support spaces to accommodate the operational needs of the KVFD as well as meeting requirements of the Canadian Red Cross for an Emergency Shelter

Roof Replacement

New SCBA bottles

8 sets of bunker gear plus helmets

Kitchen dishwasher

Upgrade HVAC on auditorium roof

New cutter for vehicle extrication

Red Rack for PPE storage

OPERATING BUDGET—

JFSC recommended approval of the \$610,000 Operating Budget to the Town of Kentville and County of Kings on January 8, 2019 Budget is in process

In March 2019 Kings County Committee of the Whole approved the operating budget recommending it proceed to Town Council for approval an increase of 3% over 2018/2019

In March 2019 Kings County Committee of the Whole discussed but tabled all fire department budgets until the next COW meeting in April

ATTENDANCE

In discussion with the Operations Committee and attendance will no longer be posted on the apparatus bay notice board. Member attendance will be provided by Personnel to each company captain showing attendance for their company members. Captains will update each company members' attendance on a monthly basis.

DUTY WEEKENDS

Duty weekends will now comprise of a 5 member crew-upping their allowance.

DC1 Scott Hamilton—Follow our guide lines—good job on extrications—going to have a recruiting drive with focus on new member skills that would be an advantage to us.

DC2—Ian Fairclough-We're finally seeing some structure fires, good work at all three in the past few weeks. The crews are working hard.

Remember that if we go to mutual aid calls, they call the shots and are in charge. We can offer our thoughts on what to do in our area of operation, but if they want to do something differently, that's their call.

Today we saw the reason we take our bunker gear with us to grass fires. Make sure you have it with you.

Be aware around vehicle fires, as tires are not the only things that can explode. There were also batteries and airbags in the fire on Willow Lane.-

Records of training nights and what is being done and who is doing what, should be kept in light of the Waverly incident.

BOD-Note Xmas party Dec 14 2019—No Questions were asked

COMPANY REPORTS

Pumper 11 & 22— Capt. Haines-- Everything going well, make sure 5" is packed right had some trouble laying at practice.

Pumper 12 & 21-- Lt Atwater--Radios were dead in 21 make sure you check them during truck checks-- 12 ok

Rescue 31 & 52—Capt. Hill--31 is in good shape, thanks to the crew. It has seen a lot of use of late. A toolbox has been added to the rear drivers side compartment. All tools from the tool bags and boxes have been put in this box--52 is in good shape let's keep it that way

Tower 41—Capt. Walsh.-- 41 Report: Air horn and mechanical siren activation buttons have been removed from the dash and foot peddles installed to become similar with all other apparatus in the fleet. The module that controls the clutches in the gearbox is defective and requires replacement. Until this work is completed it is required that engineers turn the engine off when shifting from pump to road to protect the gearbox.

Paul Jackson reported that some of the caps were not put on properly— it could be dangerous if one was to fly off.

SAFTY—N/A

SPECIAL TEAMS—Lt Ricketts Nothing special to report—a Haz. Mat. Awareness course will be at Greenwich Station.

ACCOUNTABILITY—ACC 2—Mailman—Everything going along OK

RADIO-- Jeremy Walsh for Paul Dawson:-

The Kentville volunteer fire department website is now up and running and is functional. Please take time to go over the site noting any errors, or

omissions or required additions. Please send Paul these requests at pdawson@Kentvillefire.ca

This is your guys' website and the content should be driven by the membership I look forward to hearing from you with your ideas.

If any member or probationary member do not have an email address setup yet or if you're not sure how to access your email please see Paul.

I'm still attempting to sit with each member to review our website, our file structures on All Share and to ensure that each member knows how to log on and access required areas. I've only met with 12 members so far I would really like to meet with the other 40 or so over the next few weeks. Please take time to arrange to meet with me thank you. This again includes all regular members, probationary members and veterans

The display boards for the apparatus Bay have been ordered and should be installed by the end of April.

Reports are going very well thank you very much for completing them in a timely manner. We only have one or two people that are still having difficulty completing these on time.

You will see a slight change on all reports soon. There will be a drop-down menu that you would select if this report is for training purposes. A report will be required for all training and apparatus use. Where it ask for incident number for training reports use 0 0 0

These reports will be filed in the radio room like any other incident report.

Finally I am looking for a couple volunteers to help with the next step on the museum web page of the website I need a bit of help scanning photos and organizing them so I can input them on that page if you're interested in helping please send me an email

TRAINING—DC2-- The new schedule for April has been adjusted and will be up tonight.

Six members are taking hazmat awareness.

Four members have finished their level one training.

Three have finished strategy and tactics.

Two certificates for fire scene safety officer.

There will be some more courses coming up, we are looking at vehicle extrication and fire investigation.

ICS 200 course June 26-27 (Wed-Thu) 9 am -4 pm at Municipality of Kings. (Pre-requisite ICS 100).

All,

Please find attached the Course announcement Poster for the June 26-27 (Wednesday/Thursday) ICS-200 Course being hosted in Kings County.

Course: ICS-200
Dates: June 26-27, 2019
Time: 09:00am – 4:00pm daily
Venue: Orchards Room, Municipality of Kings (87 Cornwallis Street)
Prerequisite: Completed ICS-100

TREASURER---N/A

DRIVER TRAINING Jeremy Walsh-- Driving Committee: Minimal training occurred for the month of March. Letters sent to 9 members falling under the 6 month operational log tracking. They have been requested to familiarize themselves with the apparatus mentioned in their letters and advise the Driving Committee. This will be coming common practice from here on out at six month intervals. It is not for disciplinary action rather just to keep engineers informed

Chief—Make sure truck checks are being done and make sure to fill out log books.

BUILDING—Pat Ricketts No report

IT—Jeremy Walsh—See the report that Paul Dawson put forward

BAR—Brady Atwater—No Report

SOCIAL COMMITTEE—Sean Morrison volunteered to take this on this committee—Thanks Sean

SICK AND VISITING –Carl Knox—Letter has been sent to Truro Fire Department and Bridgetown Department. Derek Mailman thank the members for there support during a death in the family.

CASCADE The functions have all been tested green tape has been put on some bottles and only to be used for emergencies till we get the new ones.

HISTORICAL –Carl Knox—The 35 Chev. Has been registered for the year The museum is going to be put on the web site for more exposure and promotion.

PUBLIC RELATION SALES—Randy Hill—We have lots for sale

MUSCULAR DYSTOPHY –Mark Pound-- Shamrock Campaign raised \$419.80 after expenses. Thanks to Paddy's Pub for their continued support. Thanks to Firefighter Derek Mailman for his help on St. Patrick's Day.

Easter Boot Drive- Saturday, April 20, 2019 7:00 am- 12:00 noon at Tim Horton's in Coldbrook.

Harley tickets- \$20.00 each- draw July 16, 2019

MFR –Matt Piggot—Hasn't been doing much lately

STORES—Dylan Dauphinee-- Within the next couple or so weeks there will be a message sent out to members that will be receiving new gear. Please have you're forms filled out. I will send a message to the people that I am missing forms from to please get them in. 8 sets of new gear are coming.

KINGS COUNTY F/F ASSOC. The Kings County Firefighters Association held their meeting on March 12, 2019 at the Waterville and District Fire Department at 1945 hrs. Chief Desloges, Carl Knox and Hugh Stronach attended. The minutes of the last meeting were approved.

The treasurer gave his report with a balance of \$25,144.00.

Kings Co F/F Assoc. continued.

The 2019 annual fees are due. Invoices are available if required. Haz Mat Courses are well attended. Any requests for more courses will be entertained. More courses are coming soon.

Fire Prevention -We will be having a booth at the Home and Garden Show on April 12, 13 & 14th.

People are required and materials are required. Contact Jamie Cochrane or Hugh Stronach if you can help OH&S-Several proposals are ready to go to the Chief's Working meeting in March.

FSANS-Annual meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn in Truro in April. Attendance is encouraged. See the Chief if you are interested.

EMO - Provincial exercises are in the planning stages. At the County level, Flood Advisory planning and Heat Advisory planning are underway.

April 16 will see a Flood exercise. May 7, 8 & 9 will see a REMO course. 27 community organizations have had visits from the REMO direct or Valley Communications are getting some upgrades to enhance the "911" system.

The lands and forest have a new name or are moved to a different ministry. Burning permits are required in the County as of March 1, 2019.

FDIC is scheduled for June 7, 8 & 9^t .h

CVFSA meeting is scheduled for Aug. 16 & 17 2019

Please register early. Attendance in 1917 was 130. 2018 had 300.

Anyone interested in the organizing of the conference, there will be a meeting at Wolfville on April 4th

By-Laws - The issue of the number of votes per Department was discussed. This was referred to the Chief's working committee and the Executive by motion.

MFR/ EHS Symposium will be held at Western Shore April 27, 2019.

Hall's Harbour thanks everyone who helped out at the house fire.

Concern was expressed about the seemingly increase of structural fires and especially the deaths in recent months.

Our thoughts for the Truro firefighter that was injured at the fire school and later died of his injuries.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS—

Matt Piggot—Try to put stuff in it's place ready for the next run.

Danny Durling—The new protocol is for the contaminated gear to be put in bags before bringing them back for washing— I case's where it's cool or other instances our coveralls will be transported to the scene.

Danny Durling is asked to take the chair

President Bobby Haines brought forward a notice of motion

NOTICE OF MOTION -- ARTICLE 2 TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP

e) The Personnel Committee at any time following the first quarter of the attendance year as described in Regulations Article 19 Section 2, shall terminate

the membership of any person whose attendance falls to 30% or below. A member with 15 years of service in the KVFD shall be placed on the Veterans list.

NOTE: Change being tabled is a recommendation brought forward by the

Attendance Review Committee. The material change is noted as changing the minimum accepted attendance percentage from 20% to 30%.

President Bobby Haines returns to the chair.

Chief---Mutual aid calls-we want to make sure we are not trying to take over, follow what tasks you are asked to do using our methods and remember you have the right to refuse if the task is down right dangerous

WELCOME GUESTS—President Haines welcomed Samuel Forrest and Padre David Bielby

Adjourned at 21:21

Secretary

President

Clem Fairclough

Bobby Haines

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