

Prince Edward Island Firefighter's Association

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Tim Jenkins	Rod MacDonald	Bill Gourley	Gordon MacFadyen
Charlottetown 1	East River	North River	Summerside

Minutes of the Executive Meeting
February 12, 2009 7:00 p.m.
Fire School

Members Present:

Dale Harris	Ken Campbell at 7:30PM
Bill Gourley	Miles Boulter
Rod MacDonald	Donnie MacEwen
Tim Jenkins	John Donahoe
Gordon MacFadyen	Harley Perry

Prior to the start of the meeting Tim offered a welcome to Georgetown's Chief Mark Gotell, who provided information on the plans to date for the 2009 AGM. Chief Gotell informed the group that they are planning to host the meeting Sunday October 4th. That date is a couple of weeks early but they are looking to host the meeting prior to October 15 which is the time that Rodd's closes for the season.

An email was sent to all departments looking for feedback on the proposed date and there was no negative feedback was received. Georgetown was looking to confirm the date so the planning can commence.

The board agreed to accept Georgetown's proposal to host the 2009 AGM in Georgetown on Sunday October 4, 2009.

John moved, Dale seconded to accept the minutes of the meeting of January 12, 2009. **Motion carried.**

Old Business

Tim reported that there is a meeting regarding the request to provide body removal services next Friday. Tim expects a copy of a draft agreement will be available. Prior to entering into the agreement a number of items need to be decided.:

Process for informing members of the opportunity
Expected qualifications

Application process to be used
Criteria for evaluating applicants

Treasurer

Gordon circulated information on the Associations accounts receivable and available cash balance as at January 30 2009. Gordon also reported that he requested the bank to amend the monthly statement date. Currently the monthly bank statement is available as at the 9th of the month. Future months will have a month end date of the 20th. The change will allow for a more current reporting for the monthly meeting.

Training

Miles reported that the Summerside training site will have four new student as Summerside has taken on a number of new recruits.

Miles informed the group that he submitted a tender to O'leary on a truck that they are retiring. The truck is an 82 with a 83 body. It has a 625 pump and a 1200 gallon tank. The offer was to trade 2 level one training spots for the truck. Reg Leblanc is interested in the old truck.

A motion was put forward by Bill seconded by John to support the tender on the O'leary truck.
MOTION CARRIED.

The rope used in the confined space course requires replacement. Miles reported that the rope is 10 years old. We will require 6, 150ft. lengths costing \$1.10 to \$1.50 per foot. Miles will order the rope in March to ensure that we have it available for the next round of course offerings.

Miles, Tim, and Craig Pierre met regarding the possibility of obtaining a defibrillator.

Miles has received a drawing on the proposed new building and distributed a copy of the information to the group. A discussion on the drawing and the items included in the structure.

Fire Marshall's Office

Ken informed the group that his office has received information that indicates that the RCMP is reluctant to call out fire departments for search and rescue operations. They perceive that there may be a liability issue. The FMO will be taking up this issue with the RCMP.

The FMO is finalizing a protocol for the operation of the RAD 57 pulse oximeter. The specifics will be provided to the Association once finalized.

The FMO is still pursuing cancer legislation for the province. The current draft of the document has been sent to the WCB for their comments.

A call was received at the office from a FF who work in a local pharmacy and was wondering about the process for FF receiving Hep A and B shots. The pharmacy may be interested in providing the vaccine to FF s. The FMO will be following up on this initiative.

Ken reported that the necessary approval have been received for establishing a FF plate for retired members. Th next step is for Highway Safety to produce the plate.

Finally, Ken advised the group that he has decided to retire form the FMO in May or June. He thanked the members of the Association for their support. Tim on behalf of the Associated congratulated Ken and thanked him for his dedicated service.

MFR

There are currently 13 Departments that have signed on to the PEIFFA MFR program. Each of these Departments will receive a letter discussing the program and providing information on the patient information form. In addition to the letter a supply of forms will also be provided.

There will be a MFR refresher course offered Mar 21 and 22. This offering will be the first provided by Island EMS instructors through the new program. There will be offerings at the Fire School, in O'leary, and a location in the east.

911

Larry Avery from the office of Public Safety is establishing a steering committee relating to the planning for the new radio committee/ He was looking for representation form the fire service. Members of the board discussed the request and are concerned that any nominee forwarded by the PEIFFA would not necessarily be able to "speak" for the whole fire service. Additional information on the role and expectations for committee membership will be requested from Larry. This additional information will be required prior to us putting forward any nominations.

New Business

A request was received from the PEI Firefighters Curling Association to provide financial support to the upcoming national curling championship. They are selling advertising in the event program. A motion to purchase a full page ad was moved by Bill and seconded by John.
MOTION CARRIED.

There are two ice rescue courses being offered one March 7 and one on March 8, 2009.

The is a requirement to have internet service at the fir school. A motion was to acquire the service at the most cost effective price was offered by Harley seconded by Rod. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Meeting adjourned 9:10

