REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO

MINUTES OF THE FIRE SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2015 AT 7:00 PM IN THE RDN COMMITTEE ROOM

Present:

Director J. Stanhope
Director A. McPherson
Director M. Young
Director B. Rogers
Director J. Fell
Director B. Veenhof

Chairperson
Electoral Area A
Electoral Area E
Electoral Area F
Electoral Area H

Charles Pinker Trustee, Mountain Fire Protection District

Aaron Poirier Fire Chief, Coombs-Hillier Volunteer Fire Department

Bill March Dashwood Fire Department
Greg Howard Dashwood Fire Department
Geoff MacIntosh Bow Horn Bay Fire Department

Lesley Brown Trustee, Bow Horn Bay Fire Department

Kevin Young

Cheryl Teller

Director, Extension Volunteer Fire Department

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Director, Coombs-Hillier Volunteer Fire Department

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Doug Penny

Fire Chief, Extension Volunteer Fire Department

Director, Coombs-Hillier Volunteer Fire Department

Fire Chief, Nanoose Volunteer Fire Department

Also in Attendance:

P. Thorkelsson Chief Administrative Officer

W. Idema Director of Finance

G. Garbutt General Manager, Strategic & Community Development
T. Armet Manager, Building, Bylaw Enforcement & Emergency

Planning

N. Hewitt Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm and the attendees provided introductions.

Terms of reference was provided for information in the agenda, for new Board members and attendees.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Fire Services Advisory Committee meeting held on November 28, 2012 were received by the Committee.

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Terms of Reference were received by the Committee.

COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE

Office of the Fire Commissioner Playbook & FCABC Playbook - Questions and Answers – for discussion - impacts on Fire Departments, training requirements, Fire Services Agreements and Bylaws.

W. Idema provided a brief overview of the Fire Commissioner Playbook from a local government point of view. There was round table discussion on how the Playbook will impact local Fire Departments, Fire Service Agreements and Bylaws.

W. Idema to obtain a legal opinion on Authority Having Jurisdiction definition in Playbook and impacts to RDN fire services.

REPORTS

Regulatory Bylaw Template.

W. Idema provided an update on the regulatory bylaw to assist Fire Departments, she requested that Fire Departments provide any feedback to her.

NEW BUSINESS

Superior Tanker Shuttle - Chief Poirier, Coombs - Hilliers.

The Committee has general discussion around interest for Fire Departments to share in a superior tanker shuttle process.

Regional District of Nanaimo Support Model for Regional Fire Services/Departments.

Per Playbook discussion, Wendy Idema to prepare a RDN Board report based on Playbook requirements and tonight's feedback for a consultant review. Will continue with Fire Services Advisory Committee meetings held in the evenings.

W. Idema reminder to the group, the RDN has an Energy and Sustainability coordinator, with access to funding for energy efficiency upgrades for halls. If interested, please contact the RDN.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair thanked all in attendance advising that the next meeting will be at the call of the Chair.

MOVED Director Rogers, SECONDED Director Young, that this meeting terminate.

CARRIED

TIME: 8:31 PM

CHAIRPERSON