



Argyle Fire Department

Directors Meeting Minutes

July 16, 2019

Attending: Andy Hutchins, Matt Williams, Kelly & Vernon Hutchins, Luke Legault, John Wassink, Mike Legault and Peggy Whitehead

Meeting brought to order by Andy at 7:09 p.m.

Outstanding from March 20, 2018

1. Christopher is checking with Hydro One (Brittany) saying that the Fire Department should be reimbursed for fires on hydro poles the same as the MNR fires. Christopher has sent a bill to Hydro. Peggy is to send another bill. As of October 18th, Christopher received a call from Hydro and said that they would need a bylaw from the LSB saying that the Fire Department can collect revenue from Hydro. Christopher will check with MNDM to see if this is possible. As of November 20th, Christopher said the fire chief in South River gave him the wording for their bylaw and will forward this to Tanya. Tanya said that the LSB only does a contract with the fire department, the LSB has no authority to do a bylaw. Luke said he will contact the South River Fire Department to ask more information. The fire department can do a bylaw as they are their own corporation and Luke will try to get the wording of the bylaw from South River. **Luke has the wording and Peggy will have a bylaw for the next meeting.**

Outstanding from June 19, 2018

1. Elaine Dare said that they need more space at T&T. Elaine will prepare a tender and will be reviewed at the next meeting. After much discussion it was decided that instead of a tender a proposal will be done to add an extension to Trash & Treasure and will be ready for the next meeting. As of March 20, 2019, there was a discussion amongst the Board and Elaine. It was decided she will get a drawing for the addition and bring it back to the meeting next month. Elaine mentioned about the church that was for sale and they might be able to rent it if no interest in the property by June. Andy and Elaine will check with David Sheepway to see what T&T is worth. Elaine said they decided against the church and they are working on another proposal. Cindy Dobbs will be attending the meetings from now on and will bring the proposal to the next meeting – **no update.**

Outstanding from October 16, 2018

1. Andy said the siding is coming off on the back of the ambulance building. Asking volunteers to put the siding back up on the building. Christopher will put this on face book. The Board decided that a few volunteers from the fire department will look after this. **Andy has some siding he will donate – ongoing.**



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Outstanding from January 15, 2019

1. John asked if we could get the kit that goes with the jaws-of-life incase the battery needs charged to plug into the generator. Andy said the kit is in production, but no price yet. **Andy will ask Will Bateman to see if he has a price – ongoing**

Outstanding from March 20, 2019

1. Andy mentioned life jackets at a price of \$290.00 from Salus Marine and \$370.15 from A.J. Stone. John is working on an SOG for boat operations and Andy said we should have 5 hours of training. A demo life jacket will be sent that is one size fits all. Small pleasure craft license and fire fighters can wear reds in the boat not their bunker gear to be included in the SOG. Luke mentioned that the paramedics received new life jackets and will find out what they will be doing with the old ones - **ongoing.**

Outstanding from May 8, 2019

1. Andy said the signs for no burning to be put up and removed for the winter. Dave has made a drawing to install the signs and Andy will order the material and will get volunteers to help install the signs. **Station 1 is done, but not station 3.**

Complete from August 21, 2018

Mutual aid radio, someone is scanning to find out our frequency. We have applied for a new frequency and working with Spectrum to get it changed. When they come in for this we have to have all pagers changed at one time. Andy will check and get a cost. The cost will be \$780.00 for the pagers, handheld, dispatch and truck radios. This is complete, but they are having issues with the pagers and a problem with the radio, Andy will check with Spectrum.

Complete from October 16, 2018

They are also going to clean up the yard and looking at removing the red container.

Complete from November 20, 2018

Andy will advise Ultramar no more deliveries at station 2 so they can level the tank. Kelly made a motion to purchase gravel, 2nd by Matt, all in favour, motion passed. Vernon will check and see how much gravel we will need.

Complete from April 24, 2019

Andy said the tower price was budgeted for \$13,500.00. Andy got a quote from Spectrum at \$21,475.85 and Northern Rigging & Tower at \$19,368.11. For Spectrum they might be able to lower the price on the tower. There was a refund from MNR for \$5,500.00 and the balance would come out of equipment. Motion by Matt to go ahead with Spectrum, 2nd by Kelly, all in favour, motion passed. As of May 8th, there was a discussion on tower base and it would be an extra \$4,500.00 and questions on the antenna. Andy will get Northern Rigging to do a site inspection for the tower and also Steels Communications for the Antenna.



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Elaine asked if the following questions could be asked to the insurance to make sure that the volunteers at T & T are covered. Are the volunteers at T & T covered for liability? Can they be sued, for example if they sell a chair and it breaks and someone gets hurt? **The insurance said they are covered.**

Complete from May 8, 2019

Elaine said there are 3 more volunteers at T & T, which brings a total of 54 volunteers.

Kelly said they need a battery for the portable pump at station 3, Andy said to call Robert.

Kelly said that station 3 needs a power washer and she has a used one for \$200.00. Kelly declared a conflict and the rest of the Board agreed to purchase it.

A 2013 ambulance vehicle has been given to the Fire Department and they are going to use this as the new fire and rescue vehicle. They have to get it certified and remove stickers. The new stickers will be approximately \$178.00 plus tax and the Board all agreed. Matt said he will help with the stickers, but not until July or August.

3 bids received for the grass tenders, Luke declared a conflict. The bids were Albert Lamb at \$155.00, Thier Renovations at \$105.00 and Mike Legault at \$80.00. Motion to accept Mike Legault's bid at \$80.00/cut and trim by Matt, 2nd by Kelly, 2 in favour, Luke abstained, motion passed.

New Business

Andy received an email from Frank May asking if the fire department wants to be notified when there is a major trama, if so then he will add it to their criteria on their next agreement. The Board all agreed to try it for a year to see how it goes.

Correspondence

3 magazines

FireCon 2019 Trade Show registration for September 5 & 6, 2019

Financial Statement of June 30, 2019

Pay Bills

Adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Next meeting will be on Tuesday, August 20, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.