

Prince Edward Island Firefighter's Association

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Minutes of the Executive Meeting
April 13, 2006, 7:30 PM
Fire School

Members Present:

John Donahue	Ken Campbell
Tim Jenkins	Bill Gourley
Rod MacDonald	Miles Boulter
Dale Harris	Scott Ryan
Shawn Jessome	Donnie MacEwen

John moved, Tim seconded to accept the minutes of the meeting of January 12, 2006 (as corrected), motion carried.

Old Business:

- ✘ Rod moved, Tim seconded that we carry out the intention from the January 2005 meeting and implement the second 15% increase for 2006 course. Motion carried.
- ✘ HazMat awareness course was held with several individuals attending.
- ✘ Meeting on business plan held, still more work to be done.
- ✘ No word on when the scholarship meeting will be. Looking at bursary for firefighters and firefighter families, will make a draw is more than enough submit.

Correspondence:

- ✘ Letter to Wayne Collins regarding protecting the land surrounding us.
- ✘ Memo/calls regarding animal rescue. 911 has worked with Humane Society and PEI Wildlife to see what departments will do ice animal rescue. Contact Larry Avery and have him send the request to Fire Marshal's office who will then poll the fire departments.
- ✘ Miles and Bill met with Terry Reddin who is selling reporting system for fire departments.
- ✘ Had meeting with Island EMS, fairly well attended.
- ✘ There is now a page under Yahoo available to all firefighters in PEI. Training schedules are there, information should be listed in the next Atlantic Firefighter magazine.
- ✘ Letter to go on beach access.

Treasurer:

- ✘ \$75,916 in revenue, \$130,588 in expenses including \$95,000 in building for Holland College course. Have approximately \$15,000 in the bank at the present time. Aside from the extra building expenses, we are running in line with where we were last year.

Training:

- ✘ Winter getting busier, there are times when we could be running two courses at the same time if the basement were better equipped – with a second exit.
- ✘ May be enough instructors and firefighters now that are not in fishing and farming to allow for some course to be put on during our previous off months.
- ✘ Fire Attack program has new version. Will cost \$795 US for instructor's package, \$14.95 US for workbooks if bought with the package or \$16.95 US if purchased afterwards. Will need the new version for September. Ran 2 courses this past winter, has been one of the most successful programs so far.
- ✘ Will need to spend \$435 to get the instructor's package for driver training program off the ground this summer and \$12.95 for the workbooks.
- ✘ Need to look at upgrading instructors qualifications, will need to spend \$250 for the package for that one plus workbooks.
- ✘ Moved by Shawn, seconded by Rod that we purchase the needed course material. Motion carried.
- ✘ Making a difference bills went out for \$2,500; \$2,700 for Fire Attack; \$4,800 for Holland College Confined Space; \$14,800 for Industrial Confined Space; plus a few other small courses.
- ✘ Level I has 2 more weekends to go. 20 in on first weekend, 11 on second weekend.
- ✘ Will cost about \$525 to repair the gas detector.
- ✘ Tim moved, Donnie seconded we repair the gas detector. Motion carried.
- ✘ Need an inspector for our harnesses, expect we may need to buy harnesses once this is done.
- ✘ Donnie moved, Dale seconded we replace the harnesses that do not pass inspection. Motion carried.
- ✘ Are going to need some sort of water treatment system – ultraviolet system. Will cost approximately \$3,100 if we can get used tanks, \$4,520 if we need new tanks.
- ✘ Donnie moved, John seconded that we go ahead with the work to fix the water system as above. Motion carried.
- ✘ Getting new street light by the gate.

Sports:

- ✘ No report

Fire Prevention:

- ✘ No report

Museum & Heritage:

- ✘ Ladder truck has left the building.

Fire Marshal's Office:

- ✘ Many Fire Departments have contacted the Fire Marshal's office regarding past members still having fire plates. Not the Fire Marshal's issue. There may be a possibility for individual departments to develop their own bi-laws but there is nothing the Fire Marshal's office can do.
- ✘ Bill will talk with someone at DMV on this issue.
- ✘ EMS was going to attend the meeting this evening, will attend a future meeting.
- ✘ Would be beneficial to have an ad hoc committee to review 911 issues as they arise, there may be people interested in getting to the bottom of these issues and the Fire Marshal's office may not be the route to go. Fire Marshal's Office will offer to be on the committee as a member, EMS should be as well as police.
- ✘ Lt Governor's term of office is up next month. On the 10th of May is the medal's presentation at Government House. Might be nice to have a representative from the Association attend to extend our thanks. Bill will attend.
- ✘ A source for extra ribbon for the Provincial Medals has been found.

New Business:

- ✘ There had been discussion on an elevator rescue course, the cost is too high to make it work.
- ✘ Level I exam, there is a policy on taking the exam without being fully literate, Miles has the details.

Meeting adjourned 9:10 pm. Next meeting May 11, at the Fire School, 7:50 PM.