

Prince Edward Island Firefighter's Association

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| President Tim Jenkins Charlottetown 1 | Vice-President Rod MacDonald East River | Past President Bill Gourley North River | Secretary-Treasurer Gordon MacFadyen Summerside |
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Minutes of the Executive Meeting

March 22, 2012 7:00 p.m.
Fire School

Meeting was called to order by President Tim Jenkins.

Members Present:

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| Dale Harris | Miles Boulter | Dave Rossiter |
| Harley Perry | Glen Cameron | Greg McGuire |
| Tim Jenkins | Bob Morrison | Rod MacDonald |
| Bill Gourley | Art MacKay | |

Harley Perry moved, Bob Morrison seconded to accept the minutes of the February 2012 meeting. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Old Business

- Insurance on the new building will probably be covered by the PEIFFA and not the Gov't.
- Aisles in the large classroom to be changed from the building plan from 2 to 1 thus increasing seating by 5 seats.
- New tables to be built for the classroom. Mounting brackets to be installed Monday (26th)
- A 50% down payment was made on the new audio visual equipment.
- A motion was made by Rod MacDonald to name the new facility Boulter Station. Seconded by Glen Cameron. **MOTION CARRIED**

Treasurers Report

Treasurer was absent but had emailed an updated accounts receivable report that was distributed to everyone.

Training

Report given by Miles.

- Moosedhead Breweries to visit the school to enquire about confined space training and the initial course could pay for renovations needed and a RIT bag.
- Prices need for these renovations.
- Miles was in talks with Holland College on confined space training- no changes.
- The bottles for the cascade system were moved at a cost of \$113. System working well.
- A waiver to be drafted for firefighters under the age of 18 to train at the school.
- SCOTT replaced the damaged SCBA cylinder.
- Honorariums for PEIFFA staff not included in the Federal Tax Credit. Dave Rossiter will talk to Gordon on this matter.

Fire Marshal Office

Report given by Dave Rossiter

- Meeting with the Minister and Deputy Minister on the fire service advisory committee, training facility, hazmat, and the fire service on PEI in general.
- More funding need for hazmat
- FMO could be facing budget cuts in the upcoming provincial budget. Permanent staff should not be affected.
- Bob Kenny back at the FMO to look after some fire service issues.
- Rewrite of the Fire Service Act.
- Still looking to have a Fire Service Merit Award.
- Looking into vehicle extrication and payment for fire departments (by insurance companies?) when they perform such tasks.
- Issues with smoke alarm placement in new construction. NBC and consultation with municipalities possible.

- Looking into getting some training certificates into fire departments that haven't been getting training in the last few years.

New Business

- The coroners truck payment for the first quarter ending March 1 paid. \$3800
- FireFighters Against Cancer PEI met with Tim looking for the FFA blessing and support (name) to proceed with fundraising and awareness for PEI Firefighters who battle cancer. They are also looking for legislation for covering medical costs for such firefighters. More investigation need concerning costs etc. A motion to support and to have a seat on the board was made by Bob Morrison and seconded by Harley Perry. **MOTION CARRIED**
- Atlantic Vet College putting on a Large Animal Rescue Course if enough interest is generated.
- Maritime Radio RFQ is now a dead issue for the time being
- Maritime Electric has changed their response protocol. Fire departments are only to call if ME is actually needed at call. This is to prevent waste of time and resources.
- Tim attended the annual Government Relations Week by the CAFC in Ottawa. Very informative and beneficial.
- MERA has handed the response capability on the provincial hazmat team to the PEIFFA. Use of the Metro truck until December 31, 2013 with MERA covering the maintenance costs.
- Hazmat team future needs to be addressed. Need/wants? over the next 3 years with the short term and long term goals discussed. First priority to be a tow vehicle for the hazmat trailer.
- PEIFFA has put forth a submission for funding for the Fire Service Advisory Committee.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm by Bob Morrison seconded by Bill Gourley.