

**Fire Committee Meeting
Town Council Chambers
January 11, 2017**

Present

Mayor L. Boucher
Deputy Mayor W. Cormier, Chair
Councillor A. Murray
Councillor D. MacInnis
D. MacDonald, AVFD
J. MacDonald, AVFD
B. Chisholm, AVFD
R. Kell, AVFD
R. MacPherson, AVFD

Also Present

CAO J. Lawrence
D. Wilson, Deputy Clerk
Councillor M. Farrell

Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:02 PM and welcomed Councillor A. Murray to the Committee.

Approval of Agenda

"It was Moved and Seconded to approve the Agenda with an addition." Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

"It was Moved and Seconded to approve the Minutes of the Fire Committee meeting held on September 7, 2016 and December 14, 2016 as circulated.

The Chair spoke briefly to the number of private hydrants located within the Town, and noted the need ensure the hydrants checked on an annual basis.

Recommendation to Council on Vehicle Purchase

The Chair turned the meeting to the CAO. He noted the truck committee had met and reviewed the two submissions received. There was unanimous agreement to accept the proposal to Mic Mac Fire.

"It was Moved and Seconded to recommend that Council accept the request for proposals for a new fire vehicle from Mic Mac Fire at the submitted price of \$575,983 excluding tax." Motion carried

Brief discussion took place.

25 Year Vehicle Replacement Program

CAO J. Lawrence noted that he had briefly discussed fire vehicle replacement, and it was generally agreed to look at a 25 year plan.

The Committee was advised that in conversation with the previous Council, although they were not against the proposal, they would like the vehicle replacement schedule tied directly to a fire levy.

The CAO briefly went through the proposed schedule, and noted he would like an endorsement from the Fire Committee.

R. MacPherson provided comment on existing vehicles.

“It was Moved and Seconded to recommend the endorsement of the Fire Vehicle Replacement Schedule as presented by the CAO.” Motion carried.

The Chair spoke briefly on how the fire levy might work. The CAO spoke briefly to Section 80 of the Municipal Government Act which allows the levy to be put in place.

Brief discussion ensued. The CAO noted that the previous Council was open to a vehicle replacement plan, along with the inclusion of a levy.

Firemen’s Banquet

Councillor D. MacInnis noted that he was approached by one of the Fire Committee members to request that the Town pay for the meal portion of the banquet. Brief discussion took place. It was noted that the John Paul Centre would be the venue.

S. Rector arrived at 5:25 PM.

Brief discussion took place on the truck

With there being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 PM.