

TOWNSHIP OF ADMASTON/BROMLEY

DOUGLAS FIRE COMMITTEE
MINUTES

Wednesday January 10, 2024

At 7:00 p.m.

Present were Chair Kevin LeGris, Committee Members Harry Stuart, Nathan Harris, Ken Keill, Daryl Thom, Fire Chief Bill McHale and Deputy Fire Chief Patrick Donohue.

1. Chairman Kevin LeGris call the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest --None
3. Approval of Agenda
Be it resolved that the agenda for the January 10, 2024 meeting be approved.

Carried

4. Approval of the Minutes of the December 13, 2023 meeting
Moved by Nathan Harris and seconded by Harry Stuart

Be it resolved that the minutes of the December 13, 2023 meeting be approved as read and as amended in section "7".

Carried

5. Business arising from previous meetings
FIREWORKS BY LAW—This will be ready for the February meeting

DOUGLAS AND ARC RECREATION BUILDING INSPECTIONS—the Douglas recreation building has been completed and Chief Bill anticipated completing the ARC recreation building on Friday

BUDGET UPDATE—No copy of the revised budget was received

6. Correspondence—No correspondence was received.

7. New Business

FIRE CHIEF'S MEETING—The dispatch system was one of the main topics of discussion at the fire chief's meeting. Smith Falls fire department had a representative at the meeting to try to allure fire departments to use their dispatch system. Chief Bill reported that it is a good service but would cost more than what is being paid now. Admaston/Bromley is staying with CACC system. Analog works better in this area. Digital works better in cities. With the new equipment Chief Bill feels the system works better. CNL is still in the process of being able to certify drivers for "D" licences for fire trucks only.

8. Fire Chief's Report

The firemen were unable to attend the previous council meeting for pictures of the medal received as they were at a fire. One more fireman has received his "D" licence.

Moved by Harry Stuart and seconded by Daryl Thom

Be it resolved that the fire chief's report dated January 4, 2024 be accepted as presented.

Carried

9. Bills and Accounts

The list of bills was reviewed and questions answered.

Moved by Ken Keill and seconded by Nathan Harris

Be it resolved that the cheques list dated December 31, 2023 in the amount of \$24,322.83 be paid.

Carried

10. 2024 Fire Costs

The figures were reviewed.

11. Budgetary Control Report

The budgetary control report for December 31, 2023 was reviewed and several inconsistencies were questioned. The main one was the wages. The secretary is to follow up on this report

12. Open Discussion

The Health and Safety Committee needs to be reevaluated. They only met once in 2023 and should have met at least four times. The fire chief is to look into further. Meeting times need to be posted. Chief Bill mention that there is an electric vehicle fire demonstration coming to Bonnechere Valley on February 17th and he has signed up six persons to attend. There will be a cost attached to this demonstration. A discussion on any surplus monies from the 2023 budget was discussed and it was felt that any surplus monies should be moved to the capital fund for future fire truck purchases.

Moved by Ken Keill and seconded by Nathan Harris

Be it resolved that any surplus funds from the 2023 budget be moved into a capital fund for a fire truck purchase.

Carried

13. Next meeting—February 7, 2024 7:00 p.m. at the council chambers.

14. Adjourn

Moved by Daryl Thom and seconded by Harry Stuart

Be it resolved that the meeting of January 10, 2024 be adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Carried

