

GABRIOLA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT GENERAL MEETING

A General Meeting of the Gabriola Fire Protection District was held March 3, 2021 at the No. 1 Fire Hall with six Trustees in attendance, and Mark Noyon joining in by Zoom at 4:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m. by Chairman Paul Giffin.

Sandra Rudischer gave the opening greeting “The GFPID acknowledges that we are gathering within the traditional lands of the Snuneymuxw Nation”

The Chairman asked for any errors or omissions from the February 3, 2021 minutes, moved by Sandra Rudischer that the minutes be accepted as presented, seconded by John Moeller, carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Ministerial Order M336 (Short explanation)

TREASURER’S REPORT: N/A

FIRE CHIEF’S REPORT: (As per written report)

Sandra Rudischer moved that the Trustees support the application for the Fire Smart Economic Recovery Fund grant, seconded by John Moeller, carried.

TRAINING OFFICER REPORT: (As per written report)

Short discussion around the vaccination of the firefighters.

NEW BUSINESS:

AGM

The date of the 2021 AGM was discussed with the following topics being brought up:

- PHO relaxing restrictions on meetings/gatherings, possibly in June.
- Whatever date it is held the Trustee terms should start as of April so when things return to normal our AGMs will once again be held before May 1.
- Put an article in the paper around mid April regarding two vacant Trustee positions and a description of what the job is, and ask for interested parties to email their names to the Office by end April, which would give a month for the Sounder to do interviews with them.
- No nominations from the floor.
- June 16 was suggested and agreed on for a possible date for the agenda depending on the PHO order.

Annual Service Review

As this was addressed in the Fire Chief report is it still necessary?

There was a motion last year that the Chief and Senior Officers meet with the Board to review the Service level. As it is impractical this year, due to Covid, we should resume this next year.

OLD BUSINESS:

Bylaw 97 - Meeting Procedures

- Bylaw 97 introduced and given first reading, moved by Sandra Rudischer that Bylaw 97 be accepted, seconded by Diana Moher, carried.
- Second reading given, moved by Sean Lewis that Bylaw 97 be accepted, seconded by Penelope Bahr.
(Discussion regarding some changes/typos.)
- Third and final reading, moved by John Moeller that Bylaw 97 be accepted, seconded by Sandra Rudischer, carried.

Moved by Penelope Bahr that the meeting be adjourned and go in-camera, seconded by Diana Moher, carried.