THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF LASALLE

Friday, March 24, 2017

Minutes of a meeting of the Town of LaSalle Fire Committee held this date at 10:30 a.m. in the Sandwich West Conference Room 236, Town Civic Centre, 5950 Malden Road, LaSalle, ON.

Members of the Committee present: S. Desjarlais; T. Burns, Chairperson.

Administration present: Fire Chief D. Sutton; Deputy Chief E. Thiessen; Joe Milicia, Director of Finance.

Regrets: Mayor Ken Antaya

Pecuniary Interest

None.

Minutes

The Committee reviewed the minutes of the meeting held January 26, 2017.

Desjarlais/Antaya

That the minutes of the LaSalle Fire Committee meeting held January 26, 2017. BE ADOPTED as printed. Carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Radio Communication Update

There are no outstanding communication issues. Replacement pagers will arrive in April.

At the request of T. Burns, a letter will be sent to all staff of LaSalle Fire Service offering thanks for their patience with the radio issues.

Fire Prevention Officer Succession Mentoring Program Update

Posting for the position of Fire Prevention Officer is expected to be posted next week. Chief Sutton acknowledge the help of Human Resources with this job posting.

REPORTS

Second Station Location Analysis

Chief Sutton presented Report to Council FIRE 17-01 – Second Fire Station Location.

Burns/Desiarlais

That the report of the Fire Chief regarding FIRE 17-04 – Second Fire Station Location, including the Hazel St. location as the preferred location for the construction of the new satellite station BE SUPPORTED IN PRINCIPLE by the Fire Committee and RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL, and that administration BE AUTHORIZED to proceed with public consultation, including the critical analysis process of the municipally owned potential sites, and preliminary site plan drawings prior to final approval by Council.

Carried.

Fire Substation - Financial Plan

J. Milicia presented Director of Finance report FIN-07-2017 – Fire Substation – Financial Plan.

Burns/Desjarlais

That the report of the Director of Finance FIN-07-2017 – Fire Substation – Financial Plan BE RECEIVED by the Fire Committee and that RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL is Option A - 10 year financing and debt repayment plan to include both the Fire Substation and Community Room. Carried.

OTHER ITEMS

CEMC Update

Chief Sutton provided updates regarding the reorganization of the emergency management division of the Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management Ontario. There is now an Emergency Management Director position held by Michael Morton and the new Field Officer for our region is Christopher Pape.

Part of remaining in compliance with Emergency Management Ontario requires amending our current Emergency Management Program By-law to appoint committee members to the Emergency Management Committee and also naming a chair of the committee. Chief Sutton will draft this By-law.

The Emergency Planning Committee will also be working on a Continuity of Operations plans to be included as an appendix to our Emergency Response Plan.

Upcoming Marine Exercise

LaSalle Fire will be participating in marine exercise training sessions provided by Canada HMCS Hunter and the Harbour Master. This will include various realistic marine response scenarios on the Detroit River. This exercise is scheduled for April 7-9, 2017.

Fireworks By-law

Recent updates have been made to the Fireworks By-law. It will be reviewed by the By-law Committee in the near future and then forwarded to Council.

Training Props

A standpipe and sprinkler system has recently been installed in our Fire Training Dome by one of our volunteer firefighters. All of the materials for this project were donated by Simplex Grinnell; the company that the firefighter is employed by. A thank you note has been sent to the company.

OTHER BUSINESS

Fire Training Dome Roof Fabric

Deputy Thiessen informed the committee of the damages incurred during a recent storm to the roof fabric on the fire training dome. Options and pricing currently in the process of being investigated through the supplier.

Burns/Desjarlais

That administration BE AUTHORIZED to investigate insurance coverage, and proceed with replacement of the roof fabric on the fire training dome structure damaged during the recent severe weather.

Carried.

Next Meeting

As per the 2017 meeting schedule the next Fire Committee Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 4, 2017 unless otherwise called by the Chair.

<u>Adjournment</u>

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

S. Desjarlais, Committee Member

S. Nantals, Secretary