



# VANCOUVER FIRE & RESCUE SERVICES

## ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### MINUTES

Tuesday, February 16<sup>th</sup> 2016  
Telus Garden, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor - Skybox  
510 West Georgia

#### IN ATTENDANCE:

Yanni Alexandropolous  
Dylan Chow  
Ross Greenwood  
Geoff Pegg

Shannon Barrows, Chair  
Ray Greenwood  
Dave Pasin  
Greg White

#### EX OFFICIO MEMBERS:

Brian Godlonton, Acting Fire Chief

#### Recorder:

Charmaine Susanthan

#### CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 1740 hrs.

#### ADOPT AGENDA

The agenda was adopted as presented.

#### ADOPT MINUTES

Minutes of the January 19<sup>th</sup> meeting adopted as presented with the following revision:  
Jonathan Gormick, VP Public Relations

#### CORRESPONDENCE

None

#### OLD BUSINESS:

- **Vancouver Fire Foundation**
  - No latest developments to report on

#### NEW BUSINESS

- **Fire Chief's Report**
  - VF&RS, the CMHAVF, IAFF Local 18 - Launch of Mental Wellness Initiative. Cllrs Jang and Carr were present at this event. Initiative designed to better prepare our staff for challenges they face on a daily basis. Mental health literacy and awareness.
  - Presumptive Cancer Claims – Fire Chief has sent correspondence to staff and retired members. Will be scheduling a meeting with WorkSafe BC Executive and CoV HR-Health & Wellness staff.
  - Bargaining Update – dates in March.
  - New Recruits – 10 new members started on February 14<sup>th</sup>
  - Stats to date: 3500 Medical Calls, 109 Structure Fires, 37, Haz-Mat
  - Apparatus – purchased from the plant account. 15 year life. Funding to support replacement for a seven year cycle.
  - Olikview retains data that helps determine what kind of apparatus goes where and the new type of apparatus that needs to be purchased.
  - PTSD – domestic issues.

- **Other**

- Ray and Geoff will be attending and speaking at the PHSA meeting on Thursday, February 18<sup>th</sup> @ 0900 hrs. BCIT downtown campus.
- Brief discussion on marijuana stores in the city.
- Members toured the facility.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 1915 hrs.

**NEXT MEETING:**  
**Tuesday, March 15<sup>th</sup> 2016**  
Fire Hall #1 Board Room  
900 Heatley Avenue