



# VANCOUVER FIRE & RESCUE SERVICES

## ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### MINUTES

Tuesday, April 17, 2012 @ 1730 hrs.

Fire Hall #15 – Renfrew

3003 East 22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue

#### IN ATTENDANCE:

Greg White – Chair

Shannon Barrows – Vice Chair (Recorder)

Gary Pattullo

Ashley Lewis

AC Brian Godlonton, Guest

Ray Greenwood

Ross Greenwood

Dave Pasin

Justin Rai

Captain Graham McFarlane, Guest

#### Absent:

Kinder Aujla

John McKearney, Fire Chief

Geoffrey Pegg

Charmaine Susanthan

#### EX OFFICIO MEMBERS:

Wade Pierlot, Acting Fire Chief

#### CALL TO ORDER

At 1745 hrs by Greg White – Chair

Welcome & introductions of Ashley & Justin, new committee members from the Youth Outreach Academy.

#### ADOPT AGENDA

Adopted as presented with the following additions to new business:

- Revisions to Terms of Reference
- Letter to the Youth Outreach Academy participants

#### ADOPT MINUTES

Minutes of the March 20, 2012 meeting adopted as presented.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

None

#### OLD BUSINESS

##### ▪ Vancouver Fire Foundation

- Proposal and sample constitution and bylaws received from Anders
- Meeting with Nils Gorseth, Executive Director Vancouver Firefighters Charitable Society, and Dustin Bourdehay. Meeting with Josie Riebe on Thursday and the meeting with Vancouver Police Foundation Executive Director still to be scheduled
- Spoke to Kenneth Burnett, lawyer, and will touch base with Benefic.

#### NEW BUSINESS

##### ▪ Terms of Reference

- Changes summarized and proposed amendments discussed.
- Amended Terms of Reference Approved and Adopted as presented.

- **Letter to the Youth Outreach Academy participants**
  - Letter from Geoff presented and circulated for review and comments
  - No suggestions or comments.
  - Letter approved. Will be signed by the Chair and Geoff will ensure it is provided to Mark Baker in advance of Monday (the Academy start date).
  
- **Presentation on EMS-CPR Program – AC Brian Godlonton**
  - AC Godlonton presented the community CPR program (VFFCPR) (vanffcpr.org)
  - A copy of the training manual provided to the committee members. The manual was a joint creation between the VF&RS and the International Association of Firefighters Union Local 18. The program was approved as a registered training affiliate by the Heart & Stroke Foundation of BC & Yukon to conduct the course affiliated with the manual.
  - Training to begin soon at Hall #15 in the training rooms and Hall #5 to establish a community training room with hopes of the CPR training program taking place there.
  - Certification renewal is conditional to your employer or other affiliations and any requirements to stay current on the latest technology and regulations, but best to go no longer than 3 years before recertifying.
  - Looking forward to staying in communication with the Committee.
  
- **Chief's Report presented by Acting Fire Chief Wade Pierlot**

Volunteer Response Team and Mass Disaster Team

  - VFRS would be the lead agency in training. Needs to be yearly training as well as events training can be used to keep the individuals engaged in the team and initiative. City is developing the Disaster and Emergency Plan.
  - Federal government funding for USAR has been cut and decisions need to be made on how to move forward. This provides a new need to be filled by the role of the Vancouver Response Team.
  - Opportunities for practical training in other locations were already limited due to transportation challenges, however given Province has recognized the team as an asset and deployment may be possible for national situations. Reliance also on other national assets.
  - Vancouver hosting the national exercise in 2012 and have secured land behind the Chess Street location for the exercise.
  
- **Overview of Fire Hall #15 from Captain Graham McFarlane**

**OTHER BUSINESS**

- None

**Meeting adjourned at approximately 1908 hrs.**

**NEXT MEETING:  
Monday, May 14, 2012 @ 1730 hours  
Fire Hall #18, 1375 West 38<sup>th</sup> Avenue**