

Board of Fire Wards  
November 1, 2021

Fire Wards present at the meeting were: Chief MacDonald, Cliff Plourde, Wayne Blassberg, Derek Danis, Brandon Merron, and Dick Moody  
Captain Brian Durbreuil was also present.

The meeting opened at 7pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Item 1. The Board reviewed the minutes of the last meeting on September 27. Wayne Blassberg made a motion to accept the minutes as read. The motion was seconded by Brandon Merron. – All were in favor.

Item 2. Chief noted that a new contract for dispatch has been received. The contract is for 3 years with the cost increasing each year.

Item 3. The Board reviewed the proposed budget and discussed necessary increases -The increase in compensation for responders - keeping in line with other towns with similar demographics and the addition of another admin person stood as priorities.

Cliff Plourde noted that he felt a storage trailer should be added to the budget and also suggested ordering gear if a proposed per diem member is added to the roster. Both of these suggestions will be clarified at the next budget meeting. The board will meet in a week for final suggestions to the proposed budget for next year.

Item 4. Chief MacDonald and Brandon Merron – (Fire Station Building Chairman), reviewed the proposed design of the safety complex with the Board.

Item 5. Chief MacDonald noted that Wednesday, Nov 3 bids will be opened regarding the ordering of the new ambulance.

Item 6. Chief MacDonald noted that the new generator for the radio site is due to be delivered soon.

Item 7. Chief MacDonald updated the Board on the current Boiler Replacement for the station. The total cost is not covered by insurance.

Next meeting will take place on November 8 at 7pm for review of budget.

Brandon Merron made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30pm. The motion was seconded by Wayne Blassberg. All were in favor.