



MINUTES

Southeastern Firefighters Association

Association des Pompier du Sud-est

Representing Albert, Kent and Westmorland Counties

Sunday, June 12, 2022 at 10:00am Riverview Fire Hall

Attendees:

Platoon Chief, Paul Bruens – Moncton

Derrick Fillmore – Petitcodiac

Dan Dupuis – Dorchester

Adam Allain – Cocagne

Denis Richard – Saint Antoine

James Lyman – Alma

Darrell Weir – Riverside-Albert

Raymond LeBlanc – Fire Marshal

Dave Gallant – Saint Paul

Greg Partridge - Dorchester

Gerald Boudreau - Memramcook

Tim Gaudet – Saint Paul

This meeting was held at the Riverview Fire Hall. The meeting was called to order by President, Paul Bruens.

There were 12 members in attendance representing 11 departments.

GUEST SPEAKERS

No Guest Speaker

- **APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FROM APRIL 10, 2022**

A copy of the meeting minutes was distributed to members via e-mail, posted on the website. Revisions were made to the Westmorland and Albert County reports as follows:

Westmorland County

Salisbury - Brad MacLeod new Fire Chief and Leo O'Brien, new Deputy Chief

Havelock – Scott Hatt acting Fire Chief, no Deputy Chief yet as per OFM

Albert County

Hillsborough - Gary Woodard Deputy Chief

Minutes amended as read and accepted

Motioned by: Derrick Fillmore

Seconded by: Darrell Weir

MOTION CARRIED

- **REPORTS FROM OFFICERS**

President's Report – Paul Bruens

Received a call from NB MTR through Justin McGuigan, we will look into this in the Fall and bring someone in from NB MTR.

Corey Gallant from Saint Paul is on the Communications Committee, and he did an excellent presentation. If any department would like this brought to your members, please reach out to Robin True.

The annual NBAFC meeting is a one-day event which was held at the Fredericton Inn on 28th May 2022, from 100 -1600 hrs. Registration starts at 0900 am. Chief Dave Gallant attended on my behalf.

I have reached out the NB Fire Marshal to inquire regarding the Queens Platinum Jubilee Medal, NB has not yet decided on the medal.

Reimbursement for stand by's for NB Power has been distributed. Please ensure you are familiar with the information. For more information, you can contact Mario Jurette, or you can reach out to Raymond or Paul for his email address.

A Provincial Hazmat Exercise was held in the Miramichi on 02 June. 12 HM Technicians from Moncton attended this one-day training exercise. The Moncton Provincial Hazmat contract has been signed. We are in receipt of the trailer and will be purchasing pickup trucks in the near future.

I would like to personally thank Daniel Dupuis and his team of instructors for their hard work and dedication. Once again Dan and cadre of instructors put on an excellent training session for the SEFFA.

Vice President, Kent County – Dave Gallant

Reached out to the various departments to see how they are managing with everything, especially with the new entities and the response was basically they will keep things the same.

Dave Gallant went to the NBAFC Meeting held on May 28th,

- BOD Meeting – motion made and passed to change the policy on their elections for the NBAFC, to 50%+1
- The MBU was launched
- Looking at dividing the NBAFC Conference into two – business (AGM) and conference (guest speakers, suppliers) having it on different dates
- Brief talks on the new entities – Dave suggests having a meeting with whomever you are going to be in this new entity with and come up with a game plan on how it will work.
- bridge infrastructure, not all bridges are going to be replaced
- Not a lot of names were submitted for the various awards. If you have any outstanding member of your department that you feel is deserving of an award, put their name forward for submission.
- Laura King will be presenting a sprinkler summit
- They are working on getting a Provincial fallen firefighter monument.
- Carbon monoxide residentials, trying to make this the same as smoke detectors for everyone
- CAFC - Looking at a national standard for cancer related to fire.
- DNR - NOT ANNOUNCED YET
- DNR rates to increase by approx. \$2.00. This reflects the increase in minimum wage
- DNR will start paying for us to babysit down power lines – manpower and equipment
- DNR will replace any damaged hose and will also replace hose that fails hose tests. Will provide loaner hoses.
- We can buy our forestry hose through DNR – better price
- Can also buy top grade foam – more expensive but better for forest firefighting.

Vice President, Westmorland County – Derrick Fillmore

Attended the SE Training and out of the 20 people that were in Moncton, 6 did not need signoffs, a lot of new faces taking advantage of training. The Life Safety Educator Course put on by fire prevention teamed up with Brian Brown, from OFM, he is backing it and will unroll either a weekly or biweekly message across the province for fire prevention and fire safety. They are planning on having more presence of fire prevention in the province.

Vice President, Albert County – James Lyman

Received training on electric cars, we have a road closure in effect, so Albert and Alma are joining together and changed their response time

Financial/Treasurer's Report – Tim Dryden

No Report

NBAFPO – Tim Dryden

No Report

OFM – Raymond LeBlanc

A survey will be going out to the fire service regarding minimum standards with the new identity for municipalities going to all the chiefs asking what their 1st three priorities are. Mike Lewis will be tweaking the fire prevention act to provide the new municipalities minimum standards. The 2025 review is done, roughly 80% is completed. They will be starting the 2nd phase after all municipalities are in place. If you would like a copy, call Brian Brown from the OFM.

• COMMITTEE REPORTS

ATC Report – Daniel Dupuis

Training

Training is moving forward with things opening, courses may be given face to face, as well as online or a combination of both.

Level 1

We are looking to get a level 1 started in the fall, Sackville has offered to host in class sessions and if others want to join either online or in person (we must get at least 12-18 students).

Level 2

Looking to start a level 2 training, please send number of students willing to participate, as stated, maybe in class or online and possibly both depending on numbers.

Basic Off-Road Rescue

Please advise if you have any firefighters interested in doing the course

Low Angle Rope Rescue

Please advise if you have any students for a new course

Auto Extrication

We have also had requests for an auto extrication course (27 hours), again, please advise ATR if you have any firefighters interested in this course, pre-requisites are firefighter level 1, we may put on a fall training on extrication if we have enough interest, theory part would be done before training day.

Officer Course

Officer course may be offered online if we have enough students, please advise if you have any students willing to participate

Instructor Course

We have had some requests for an instructor course, please advise if you have any firefighters interested

Spring Training

Spring training was a success this year, thanks to the great training facilities, students and specially our great instructors and props, we had a fun learning day.
Here are some of the things we covered.

Rotating stations as such.
Forcible entry
Fire attack above, below
Advancing charged/uncharged hose up a ladder
Removing victims from ladder/conscious/unconscious
Advancing hose lines in structure
Ventilation/roof ops
Water supply/hydrant ops
Live fire (container trailer burn)
Firefighter entanglement

Received \$2500 from SEFFA which went towards the following costs:

Food and drinks 742.45

T-Shirts for the instructors (22) 410.55

Waiting for Robin's costs on various items he covered (Port A Potties, Mileage)

***Dan, don't forget to account for the mileage**

Mobile Burn Unit - making rounds, 1st round will train the lead instructors, 2nd round showing how to run it.

If you have any training ideas or have firefighters interested in attending mentioned training sessions, please advise me ASAP so we can start planning these sessions.

Firefighter.dan@hotmail.com 506 875 3540

Communications – Robin True

4th meeting coming up – if you want your department to receive the presentation that was done by Corey Gallant and a firefighter with Saint Paul, contact Chief True.

• UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Adam Allain would like a copy of the Communications Meeting

• NEW BUSINESS

- There was a motion from the floor that the SEFFA expense reports will reflect the provincial rates for meals, mileage and incidentals.

Motioned by: Dan Dupuis

Seconded by: Dave Gallant

MOTION CARRIED

- Dan will prepare his expense report and give to Tim Dryden for the \$2500 received for training and to pay Troy Boomer for the t-shirts. Going forward for our training events like our Spring training or large events, that the instructors who donate their time, receive a t-shirt as a thank you and Dan will always have permission to purchase t-shirts for the instructors that are teaching for the SEFFA region, without having to come back to the committee.

Motion was made that all training events in the future, we provide t-shirts to the instructors

Motioned by: Dan Dupuis

Seconded by: Tim Gaudet

MOTION CARRIED

- Dave suggests that if you are not onboard with the New Brunswick Firefighter 50/50 Draw, to jump on board.
- If you would like a list of contacts for DNR, contact Joan.
- Adam attended NBAFC as well, they are looking at going online for the sign off books.
- There was a discussion about the new level 1 system. A lot of people were very opposed. We need to address the volunteer side and the various levels of experience they bring to their department.
- Paul will confirm with Melissa and Dan Fougere if all pertinent information in the Communications Report is being sent to everyone regarding the regular 911 system, also the enhanced 911.
- If anyone wants more of the Fire Prevention Booklets, let Paul know, we have 3 boxes left.

• ANNUAL ELECTION OF THE EXECUTIVE

The following positions were nominated and accepted:

President – Chief Paul Bruens

Vice President, Albert County – James Lyman

Vice President, Kent County – Danny DesRoches

Vice President, Westmorland County – Derrick Fillmore

Secretary – Joan Gallant

Treasurer – Adam Allain - Tim Dryden offered for another term, there was a nomination from the floor from Adam Allain. Those present at the meeting voted and Adam Allain won the ballot.

Association Training Representative (ATR) – Dan Dupuis

NBAFPO Representative – Derrick Fillmore

NEXT MEETING – TO BE DETERMINED

Motioned by: Derrick Fillmore

Seconded by: Darrell Weir

MOTION CARRIED