



MINUTES

Southeastern Firefighters Association

Association des Pompier du Sud-est

Representing Albert, Kent and Westmorland Counties

Sunday, June 28, 2020 at 7:00 pm via Zoom Virtual Meeting

Attendees:

Platoon Chief Paul Bruens - Moncton

Chief Marcel LeBlanc – Bouctouche

Daniel Dupuis –ATR/ Dorchester

Chief Julien Boudreau – Dieppe

Derrick Fillmore – Petitcodiac

Julien Boudreau – Dieppe

Gerald Boudreau – Memramcook

Marc Henrie – Saint Paul

Tim Dryden – Salisbury

This meeting was held via Zoom Virtual Meeting. The meeting was called to order by President, Paul Bruens.

There were 9 members in attendance representing 8 departments.

- **GUEST SPEAKERS**

No Guest Speaker due to Co-Vid 19

- **APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FROM JANUARY 26, 2020**

A copy of the January 26 meeting minutes were distributed to members via e-mail, posted on the website.

Motioned by: Derek Fillmore, Petitcodiac

Seconded by: Tim Dryden, Salisbury

MOTION CARRIED

- **REPORTS FROM OFFICERS**

President's Report – Paul Bruens

On July 7th at 7pm, the Maritime Fire Chiefs Association is hosting an online training symposium called "Mistakes and Best Practices". Please register online by going on Maritime Fire Chief's website under Training and send an email to the appropriate email address.

At the May NBAFC meeting, 3 concerns were sent in from the SEFFA and they are:

1. Requesting online theoretical training for Fire Fighters.
2. HazMat Certification Seals, the process for IFSAC and Pro Board is now 2 years old and we are looking for an update on the certification for Fire Fighters as HazMat Techs.
3. DNR response and support to fire departments in the SEFFA as the fire season in the past years has begun earlier in the season and DNR has not been prepared.

In addition, concerns over vaccinations for Fire Fighters have been brought up and an adhoc committee is working towards finding an outcome and support for vaccinations such as Hep A, B, more to follow and this is based on Health Canada recommendations.

Julien and Paul will be on the committee and looking for a third member anyone interested, please contact us.

Serge Gallant is working with the ATR's. He will be reaching out to the fire chiefs to find out what the needs are for training and support from NBCC.

Vice President, Kent County – Adam Allain

No report submitted

Vice President, Westmorland – Derrick Fillmore

DNR response to Rouse Road fire and the severity of the woods where DNR did not allow Fire Fighter’s to begin operations until the water bombers arrived.

Vice President, Albert County – James Lyman

No report submitted

Financial/Treasurer’s Report – Tim Dryden

Transactions listed below and distributed via the meeting agenda:

Date	Chq #	Amount	Payable to	Purpose
		\$30,556.45		OPENING BALANCE
Jan 17		-680.77	Joan Gallant	SEFFA Laptop
May 15		-250.00	Conrad Landry	ICS Training
Feb 17		-2.25		Service Charge
June 17		-2.25		Service Charge
		\$29,621.18		CLOSING BALANCE

Motioned by: Derek Fillmore, Petitcodiac
Seconded by: Marcel LeBlanc, Bouctouche
MOTION CARRIED

NBAFPO – Tim Dryden

Due to Co-Vid 19 - No Report

OFM – Raymond Leblanc

No report submitted

• COMMITTEE REPORTS

ATC Report – Daniel Dupuis

Level 1

A Firefighter Level 1 has been completed in Petitcodiac. A Level 1 Course has been done in Richibucto Village. If you have any firefighters requesting a Level 1, please advise asap.

This year, due to Covid, we will be doing Level 1 via virtual training, an instructor will provide theory (only) online with students. We must have 12 to 25 students to make a class. Exams will be hosted at NBCC Campus with set protocols. We will select a small group of instructors to provide training.

Level 2

Saint Paul has completed a Level 2. Sackville still has theirs on hold due to Covid, same as Level 1, we will be doing online training, please advise asap if you have any students.

Basic Off-Road Rescue

Cocagne did an off-road training course, as well as, Dorchester. Please advise if you have any firefighters interested in doing the course (same drill, online theory only).

Low Angle Rope Rescue

Cocagne has hosted a low level rescue course, please advise if you have any students for a new course (same as the rest, online only).

Auto Extrication

We have also had requests for an auto extrication course, again, please advise ATR if you have any firefighters interested in this course. Pre-requisites are Firefighter Level 1 (not enough students at this time) online theory only.

Officer and Instructor Courses are also available, if we can get enough students for a course, it will be online and theory only.

ICS-200

Moncton Fire has hosted an ICS-200 on Jan 18-19. Chief Conrad Landry made an excellent presentation and course was well attended.

Media Training

We have hosted a Media Training Course for fire departments presented by Isabelle Leblanc (CITY OF MONCTON) it was well attended and Isabelle did a great job. Her experience with media was definitely an asset in dealing with high profile events such as the shooting of police officers in Moncton, as well as, other major events.

Spring Training

We have cancelled the spring training this year due to Covid.

Training

Training as a whole, has been very challenging this year. Moving into the Fall, we will have to adapt to new ways of training in order to minimize contact with others. WE MUST KEEP TRAINING. We owe it to our communities we serve, to be knowledgeable and ready to do our jobs.

Some of these online trainings would be good for your firefighters and some can be provided on your training nights. If you have any ideas for training please advise, we may be doing online training as an association if the demand is there.

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.

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- **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Discussion on the Ronald McDonald House and the outstanding work to be completed before Fire Prevention Week.

- **NEW BUSINESS**

Question was asked on the status of the live burn trailer – more to follow and an update will be sent out in an email to all association members.

Marc Henrie from Saint Paul Fire was looking for information on the Regional Fire Dispatch and the TMR Radios. An email was sent to Dan Leger waiting for a response.

A motion was made to defer the June elections to the fall of 2020 due to Co-Vid 19.

Motioned by: Tim Dryden, Salisbury

Seconded by: Derek Fillmore, Petitcodiac

MOTION CARRIED

- **NEXT MEETING**

The next SEFFA meeting will be on Sunday, September 20, 2020 at 7pm. A Zoom Meeting Invitation will be sent out prior to meeting.

MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT: Marcel LeBlanc, Bouctouche

SECOND BY: Daniel Dupuis, Dorchester

MOTION CARRIED