

1. Call to order

- a) A meeting of Board of Fire Wards held on June 14, 2021, began at 18:03 at Safety Complex.
- b) Attendees included Steve Roberts – Chairman, Scott Dinsmore – Vice Chair, Fire Chief Robert Vezina - Secretary, David Hewey, Wayne Meattey, and Leah Cushman.
- c) Members not in attendance: Derek Chouinard.
- d) Scott Dinsmore left the meeting at 18:09 hours.

2. Approval of Minutes

- a) May 10, 2021
 - **Motion by W. Meattey/R. Vezina to accept the minutes as written. Passed 4-0-1.**

3. A/P Manifest

- **Motion by W. Meattey/D. Hewey to accept the Fire Rescue's account payable manifest for checks dated 6/17/2021 in the amount of \$10,408.29. Passed 3-0-2.**

4. Old Business

- a) BOFW by-laws – L. Cushman spoke to and a discussion followed regarding the draft by-laws for Board of Fire Wards.
 - **Motion by D. Hewey to move on and leave the BOFW as is. No second.**
 - **Motion by L. Cushman/ D. Hewey to table the issue of by-laws. Passed 5-0-0.**

5. New Business

- a) With the state of emergency expired, Emergency Order #12, which has authorized public bodies to meet without a physical location also expired. Therefore, the BOFW meetings are required to resume in-person at Safety Complex.
- b) Ending the mask mandate at fire stations in light of the Governor's latest declaration. L. Cushman read prepared remarks in which she stated the Fire Chief acted illegally by unilaterally restricting access to the fire station, and requiring all persons entering the facility to be screened and wear a mask.
 - **Motion by L. Cushman/W. Meattey to remove the requirement that personnel and the public wear masks inside the fire station. Passed 5-0-0.**

6. Chief's Report

- a) Fire Chief gave monthly overview of Department operations.
- b) Operating Budget expensed \$343,113.24 or 34%. EMS Revenue Gross \$103,173.61.
- c) Incidents 82 for May - 385 for year

7. Announcements

None.

8. General Discussion

There was a discussion of allowing general public comments versus requiring those desiring to address the Board to be added to the agenda. No action taken.

9. Adjournment

- a) Motion by D. Hewey/ W, Meattey to adjourn at 19:11. Passed 5-0-0.

Submitted by: R. Vezina