

HILTON UNION FIRE BOARD

Special Meeting

MINUTES

May 6, 2024

7:00 p.m.

Present: Brian Delvecchio
Mike Garside
Robert Hope (Deputy Chief)
Janet Gordanier (via phone)
Rodney Wood
Sarah Brown (via phone)

Acting Secretary-Treasurer: Sara Dinsdale

Call to order at 7:00 p.m.

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

Resolution #F2024-18

Moved: Mike Garside Seconded: Robert Hope

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF THE HILTON UNION FIRE DEPARTMENT accepts the agenda of May 6, 2024 as presented. *CARRIED*

Resolution #F2024-19

Moved: Janet Gordanier Seconded: Rodney Wood

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF THE HILTON UNION FIRE DEPARTMENT approve the minutes of the Special Fire Board Meeting held on April 15, 2024 as presented. *CARRIED*

Mr. Paul Milosevich was welcomed and a discussion regarding training took place. Mike Garside explained the training information that he acquired when researching. All volunteer fire fighters must have Fire Fighters level 1 & 2 by 2026. Paul offered his knowledge regarding fire training, schooling, and certification. Paul suggested that the trainer in SSM be contacted to request training and to do mock tests. It was also discussed that the new Regional Advisor be contacted to request they join the next meeting. It was decided that the fire department has three options: 1) Do fire training through a private enterprise, 2) Continue the way it's currently being done by working through the books then challenge the exam, or 3) Do remote training through SSM then challenge the exam. A fire fighter has up to three tries to pass the exam. If they fail on the third attempt, they would need the Fire Chief to sign off on them.

A discussion regarding the Volunteer Fire Chief advertisement that the Acting Secretary-Treasurer created after the previous meeting was discussed. Recommendations to change the posting to focus more on the administration side of the opportunity were given.

Resolution #F2024-20

Moved: Janet Gordanier Seconded: Sarah Brown

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF THE HILTON UNION FIRE DEPARTMENT does recommend to respective Councils to agree to post the Fire Chief Job advertisement after recommended modifications agreed to by board. *CARRIED*

A letter written by Councillor Sarah Brown, from the Village of Hilton was discussed. The letter is addressed to MPP Michael Mantha and MP Carol Hughes, regarding concerns of the management of Rural fire safety being that small communities fall under the same guidelines as large municipalities. The letter will be signed by both Reeve, Rodney Wood of the Township of Hilton and Mayor Robert Hope of the Village of Hilton before sent.

Resolution #F2024-21

Moved: Mike Garside Seconded: Rodney Wood

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF THE HILTON UNION FIRE DEPARTMENT do adjourn at 9:18 p.m. and agree to meet again at the Hilton Township Municipal Office on June 10, 2024, or at the call of the Chair or by petition from majority of the members of the Board. *CARRIED*


Chairperson: Brian Delvecchio


Acting Secretary/Treasurer Sara Dinsdale