

**STETTLER REGIONAL
FIRE ADVISORY MEETING MINUTES
March 16, 2018
12 pm @ The Stettler Regional Fire Station**

Present: Mark Dennis - Regional Fire Chief
Etienne Brugman - Regional Deputy Fire Chief
Malcolm Fischer – Councillor Town of Stettler
Penni Doucette - Recording Secretary
Yvette Cassidy – CAO County of Stettler
Blaine Brinson – Councilor Summer Village of Rochon Sands
Carl Cornelssen – Councillor Summer Village of White Sands
Dan Knudtson – Councillor of Donalda
Carla Tuck – CAO Village of Gadsby
Larry Clarke – Reeve County of Stettler

Absent: Cheryl Barros – Councillor Town of Stettler
Cheri Neitz – Councillor County of Stettler
Lorne Thurston – Mayor Summer Village of White Sands
Harry Nibourg – Councillor Village of Big Valley

S. Nolls chaired the meeting in the absence of a Chair or Vice-Chair.

Call to Order: S. Nolls called the meeting to order @ 12:13 p.m.

1. **Additions**

none

2. **Agenda Approval**

Moved by B. Brinson that the Agenda be approved as presented

3. **Election of Regional Advisory Chairperson & Vice Chairperson**

Moved by M. Fischer that Cheri Neitz be nominated as Regional Advisory Chairperson.

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

Moved by M. Fischer that Cheryl Barros be nominated as Regional Advisory Vice-Chairperson.

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

4. Confirmation of the December 8, 2017 Stettler Regional Fire Advisory Minutes

Moved by B. Brinson the December 8, 2017 Stettler Regional Fire Advisory Meeting Minutes be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

5. Business Arising from Minutes

- a) New phone system installed at Fire Hall has the ability to transfer calls directly to/from the County of Stettler office, working on having the same connectivity with the Town of Stettler office.
- b) Discussion surrounding various truck fill stations in the County. The Regional Fire Chief will inquire with County of Stettler PW department for an as built drawing of the Gadsby truck fill/fire hydrant to determine possible flow values. Pumping with a fire engine directly from the County truck fill stations will be limited to the onsite storage values. The County Truck fill storage tank system in Gadsby can be easily over taxed by fire engine pumps given the refill speed. Engine 11, 12, 13 and Tender 15 each are outfitted with 900' of 5" hose, water storage is usually the concern.
- c) Village Fire Services Agreements for Gadsby, Summer Village of Rochon Sands and the Summer Village of White Sands have been sent out to the administration of those Municipalities for future discussion.

6. Fire Agreement Statements – November 2017 to January 2018

Moved by B. Brinson that the November 2017 to January 2018 Fire Agreement Statements be accepted as presented for information.

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

7. **Regional Fire Chief Report**

a) New Recruit Training

New recruit training at Station 1 commenced in February and will be on-going through May. Practical training is scheduled for April 25, 30 and May 2 and 7th at the abandoned homestead of D. Kruger in the County of Stettler.

The Red Deer training Centre has been rented for additional practical training including live fire training on May 12th & 13th.

Stettler recruits are training Monday and Wednesday nights as well as Saturdays.

Regular skills training is completed simultaneously on Monday and/or Thursday nights at station 1,2 and 3.

The Donalda Fire Station training, originally scheduled to begin in January 2018, is behind re-schedule due to trainee farming obligations.

b) Stettler Regional Fire Training facility

The Donation of \$5,000 was used for conceptual drawings of a possible stand-alone fire training facility. Drawings are partially completed and were reviewed at meeting. The final conceptual presentation and drawings along with project cost estimate are to be completed by July. The next step will be to present the concept to the County of Stettler and Town of Stettler for further discussion.

c) Buffalo Lake proposed new development.

Public hearing on Saturday March 17th will be attended by Chief Dennis, emergency services road access with multiple access points in and out is the top concern of the Stettler Regional Fire Department. C. Cornelssen brought up concerns over the additional costs of regional fire services due to the increase in population.

8. Regional Response Incident Summary – December 2017 – February 2018

Moved by B. Brinson that the Regional Response Incident Summary
December 2017 – February 2018 be accepted as presented for information.

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

9. Additions

a) none

9. Next Meeting

June 15, 2018 12 noon @ the Stettler Regional Fire Hall

10. Adjournment

Moved by B. Brinson that this meeting be adjourned @ 1:06 pm

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous