

OAFC ZONE 5 COMMITTEE MEETING
March 19, 2014
EASTERN ONTARIO FIRE ACADEMY, NORWOOD

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A regular meeting of the OAFC, Zone 5 was held on March 19, 2014 at the Eastern Ontario Fire Academy, Norwood.

Present:

- Gord Jopling – Fire Chief, Selwyn
- Don Mitchell – Fire Chief, Trent Lakes
- Chris Snetsinger-Deputy Chief, Peterborough
- Bill Wingrove—Fire Chief Highlands east
- Scott Manlow – Fire Chief, Prince Edward County
- Ray Haines – Fire Chief, Havelock-Belmont-Methuen
- Chuck Pederson- Fire Chief, Douro-Dummer
- Richard Caddick– Fire Chief, Stirling-Rawdon
- Tim Blake- Fire Chief, Trent Hills
- Dave Wright-Fire Chief, Alnwick Haldimand
- Darryl Payne—Acting Chief Asphodel-Norwood
- Harry Tackaberry- Deputy Chief Brighton
- Lloyd Hutchison – Fire Chief, Brighton
- Ken Clapperton –District Chief, Baltimore
- Jim Wheeler-Acting Chief Port Hope
- Ted Bryan – Fire Chief, Otonabee-South Monaghan
- Mike Vilneff- Fire Chief, Cobourg
- Brandon Northrup- Fire Chief Cramahe
- Pat Twohey- Deputy Chief Kawartha Lakes
- Bill Balfour—Fire Chief, Cavan Monaghan
- Jason Gear—Deputy Chief Madoc
- Keith Thomas – Fire Chief Algonquin Highlands
- Miles Maughan-- Fire Chief Dysart
- Nick Pollack—Fire Chief Madoc Township
- Pat Hoover—Fire Chief Bancroft
- Robert Murphy –Deputy Marmora and Lake
- Tony Brownson—Fire Chief Marmora and Lake
- Gene Thompson—Deputy Cobourg
- Scott Maracle—Fire Chief Mohawk Fire
- Mark MacDonald—Fire Chief Belleville
- Bruce Greatrix—Deputy Belleville
- Ray Ellis—Deputy Belleville
- John Whelan—Fire Chief Quinte West
- Mike Boyd—Fire Chief Tyendinaga
- Dan Koroscil- OFMEM Fieldman
- Rick Middleton—Fire Chief Wollaston
- Kelly Serson—Fire Chief Hamilton Township

The OAFc meeting commenced at 10:01 a.m. with Zone 5 Rep, Gord Jopling in the Chair.

A large turnout of members with introductions around the floor.

MINUTES

Resolution No. 2013-01 – OAFc Zone 5 Minutes

Moved by: Ted Bryan

Seconded by: Chuck Pederson

That the minutes of the OAFc Zone 5 Committee meeting held March 21, 2013 be adopted as presented.

Carried.

Business from the Minutes

None

DEPUTATIONS AND/OR INVITED PERSONS AND/OR PUBLIC MEETINGS

Ontario Hydro Representative not available, Fire Chief Don Mitchell gave an overview of Ontario Hydro's upcoming electrical training program for emergency services. Hydro is looking to contact all emergency services to provide training on down power supplies. OFMEM Rep Dan Koroscil presented updates from the office on equivalency changes and its progression. Some changes to the Mutual Aid plan presented at the Coordinators Conference. The Ontario Fire College is now called the Ontario Public Safety College. Vulnerable occupancy training is gearing up for Chief Officers and Management of the vulnerable occupancy residences. Dan had a presentation on a program, Fire Departments without Borders.

CORRESPONDENCE FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR DECISION

None

ZONE REPORT

OAFc EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT

Given by OAFc Executive Director Richard Boyes

1. Update on WSIB Coverage a) fulltime and Volunteer issue cleared up ,may be some lingering issues for full time that are topped up over the volunteer level.
b) coverage for other than operations activity. Fire prevention, education duties, community involvement etc. are being discussed for same coverage. Claims need to be filled out properly to explain duties performed.

2. IRM Integrated risk Management rollout April 1st 2014, launched at AMES.
3. Propane update is finalized.
4. OAFIC has entered a partnership with the Solar Power Industry to develop training and information for the fire service.
5. A new Program Manager has been hired to help assist the various OAFIC committees and support the Zones for meeting and functions.
6. Candidate testing service and hiring of new full time personnel program ready to start April 3rd.
7. Working with MNR a start in discussion to resolve open air burning in parks when burn bans have been issued by area Fire Departments.
8. Next generation 911 talks have started between all emergency agencies, government and communication suppliers.
9. The Public Life Educators conference and advisory committee are now included in the AMES conference
10. Changes to the nomination procedures for OAFIC directors and Zone reps. All information can be found on the web site.
11. The January OAFIC Health and Safety conference was a huge success and will continue. It will be moved to a different date as it coincides too close to other meetings and conferences.
12. If you have resolutions please submit them to the Executive Director so they can be placed on the Business Session agenda at the AMES.
13. Don't forget to register for the AMES, as always it we have a great program, exciting and topical speakers, the trade show is almost sold out and it is now open at 10am both days for those who are travelling to the show. Full details are on the web site.

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

Ted Bryan fire chief Otonabee-South Monaghan suggested that Guy Desjardins be invited to the AMES conference to explain how the new training changes will work.

Kelly Searson Fire Chief Hamilton Township explained how MTO and OPP meet regularly without fire's presence to discuss changes on Provincial Highways. As fire departments are usually the first on scene and provide the bulk of the rescue and cleanup efforts, we need to be at the table for safety reasons.

Kelly suggested a resolution should be drafted and brought to the floor, to have the OAFC look into the addition of fire being part of any discussion.

Motion put forward by Mike Vilneff Fire Chief Cobourg seconded by Rick Caddick Fire chief Stirling Rawdon, to have Kelly draft a resolution and forward it to members.
Carried

Rick Caddick stated that the Hasting Training Center has been appointed by the OPSC as a testing center for the area.

Mark MacDonald mentioned people are more worried about what is running on the rail lines through the Municipality. Rail safety is becoming a major issue.

Mark was discussing the problem Belleville is facing with large buildings that are not being supplied with standpipes during planning and construction. The department is forced to lay long stretches of hose line creating lost time and potential for large fire losses. Mark is looking to form a resolution that will address the OAFC Fire prevention Committee to look into changes to the building code to include standpipe systems on buildings where required. Mark put the motion forward with Scott Manlow seconding the motion. Mark will draft a resolution for the Zone 5 members.

Good discussion on all enquiries.

OTHER, NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NOMINATIONS FOR ZONE 5 REPRESENTATIVE

None