



Kings County Firefighters Association

Minutes of Meeting
March 8, 2011

- Welcome: D/C Kevin White welcomed attendees to Wolfville Fire Department, meeting host.
- Presentation: Lt. Scott Callaghan presented 10% discount cards from Marks Work Warehouse. These discount cards are provided by Marks Work Warehouse to every member of the Kings County Firefighters Association, redeemable on any regular priced items in the store. Each fire department will be contacted to receive their discount cards.
- Business Arising: Acting upon a previous Notice of Motion at the January meeting, Terms of Office of KCFFA Executive, proposed term of office extended from 1 year to 2 years. MOTION: Philip Porter, Scott Callaghan: extend the term of office for the Kings County Firefighters Association Executive from 1 year to 2 years effective immediately. MOTION PASSED.
- Minutes: Minutes of January 11, 2011 were read and approved as presented.
- FSANS; Fire Services Association of Nova Scotia, attended by Captain Darryl Geddes.
Report:
- The Association has reviewed the costs of TMR replacement radios and is under the impression that it will be some time before many fire departments will be able to access these more expensive radios.
 - Chief Porter, Port Williams still looking for e-mail contacts from Valley fire departments to place in Associations data base. Please submit your departments e-mail ASAP.
 - Canadian Association of Fire Chiefs reminds all firefighters to sign the on-line petition supporting the \$3,000 firefighter tax credit.
 - Recommends that a FSANS web link be included on this Associations web site.
- Firefighters School: Report by Preston Illsley:
10% of Nova Scotia firefighters have completed the Fire Control course in the mobile burn trailer.
- Dave Kendrick, senior volunteer trainer is available to make presentations to each fire department respecting training programs available at the school.
 - April 10, 2011 is the new Annual General Meeting, held at the fire school. This AGM is open to all firefighters.

- HRM and the CBRM each have their own burn facilities. This is providing more opportunities for the mobile burn trailer to offer live burns to fire departments outside of these areas.

Training: Kings County Training Coordinator Brian Desloges presented the following;

- Firefighter Level 2. This is an annual course will begin March 15, 2011
- In the fall of 2011, the Association will offer Chief Officer 1, and in the winter of 2012, Chief Officer 2.
- Certificates of completion were given for Fire & Emergency Company Officer Level 1 as follows:
Adrian Cleveland, Chris Harvey, Rob Lowe, Wayne Hopkins Andrew Steeves, Mark Pound, Cheri Cameron, Eric Poll, bill Hazel, Wade Young, Scott Walsh, Doug Ross, Ken White, Michael Sanford, Sarah Kingsbury, Andrew Mitton, Brian Saunders, Adam Clarke
- Certificates of completion were given for Fire & Emergency Company Officer Level 2 as follows:
Mathieu Garner, Kathy Babcooke, Tim Doucette, Wade Young, Scott Walsh, Mark Redmond, Joseph Huntley, Stephen Schofield, Cathy Cooke, Cheri Cameron, Kevin Thomson, Philip Porter, David Miller, Larry Smith, Raymond Pinch, Brian Saunders, Mark Pound, Scott Callaghan,

Recruitment: April 15, 16, and 17, 2011 are the dates for the Home and Garden Show held at the Kentville Centennial Arena on Webster Street. As in the past, FF Hugh Stronach of the Kentville Fire Department is looking for help all three days. Please contact Hugh at 679-1750 home or at the Kentville hall to volunteer. The booth is provided through Kings County Fire Protection Services manager Gary Smith.

Valley Dispatch: Joan Garden presented as follows:
Staff have processed 1965 fire and emergency alarms for Kings County, 6556 calls for service across the province.

- Have achieved Phase 2 Cellular Mapping Integration capabilities. Similar to land lines that pop-up addresses, cell phone calls are now GPS tracked within 15 meters of actual location with 95% accuracy.

DNR: Contact Lt. Andrew Mitton at DNR for any equipment for the up-coming spring fire season.

EMO: Emergency Measures Organizations, Kings County representative Gary Smith gave regrets but submitted the following report:

- EMO Basic emergency Management course will be held at Acadia University during the month of April. Contact Gary smith fore details and enrollment.
- Valley Hearts on Ice earned \$35,000 for donations to cardiac care in the Valley.
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KCFFA Executive President Kevin Thomson presented as follows:

- President Kevin Thomson thanked Scott Callaghan for the new Associations crest.
- Canning Day celebrations will be held this summer, looking to have fire trucks in the parade representing each fire department.

Fire Reports:	Fire Department	# of Alarms January 11, 2011 to March 8, 2011
	Wolfville	13
	New Minas	25
	Halls Harbour	3
	Kentville	56
	Waterville	14
	Greenwich	8
	No other reports by members given.	

Annual Meeting: The following new business was presented during the Annual Meeting:

- Tony Young of the Nominating Committee presented the following list of Executive members for a 2 year term, 2011 and 2012;

President:	Kevin Thomson
Vice President:	Watson Armstrong
Secretary:	Brian Desloges
Treasurer:	Cheri Cameron
FSANS Representative:	Philip Porter
Alternate	Darryl Geddes
Fire School representative:	Preston Illsley
Alternate	Andrew Mitton
Nominating Committee	Tony Young, Darryl Geddes, Scott Callaghan

- Nominate Kevin Thomson President. No other nominations. Stronach/ Mitton, Move nominations cease. MOTION PASSED Kevin Thomson Elected.
- Nominate Watson Armstrong Vice President. No other nominations. Callaghan/Cameron. Move nominations cease. MOTION PASSED. Watson Armstrong Elected.
- Nominate Brian Desloges, Secretary – No other nominations. Callaghan/ Mitton, Move nominations cease. MOTION PASSED. Brian Desloges Elected.
- Nominate Cheri Cameron, Treasurer – No other nominations. Callaghan/ Geddes, Move nominations cease. MOTION PASSED Cheri Cameron Elected.
- Nominate Philip Porter and Darryl Geddes FSANS representatives. No other nominations. Stronach/Calaghan, Move nominations cease. Philip Porter and Darryl Geddes Elected.
- Nominate Preston Illsley and Andrew Mitton Fire School representatives. No other nominations. Callaghan/Howard, Move nominations cease. Preston Illsley and Andrew Mitton Elected.
- Nominate Tony Young, Darryl Geddes, Scott Callaghan to Nominating Committee. No other nominations. Porter/Howard, Move nominations cease. MOTION PASSED. Tony Young, Darryl Geddes, Scott Callaghan Elected.

No other nominations or positions filled

MOTION: Howard Dowe/Scott Callaghan, Motion to adjourn. MOTION PASSED

Meeting Adjourned at 20:50

NEXT MEETING - May 10, 2011, Windsor Fire Station

Minutes Approved:

Minutes Prepared:

President: Captain Kevin Thomson

Secretary: Safety Officer Brian Desloges