

MINUTES - BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Date	July 13, 2022	Time 1:30pm				
Location	Fire Hall upstairs	Fire Hall upstairs				
In Attendance	Trustees:	Staff:	Public:			
	Ron Smith RS (Chair)	Ken Soles (Senior Water Operat	or) KS Sue Comely			
	John Colongard JC	Austin Rycroft (Water Operator) AR			
	Neale Berjer NB	Sandra Haszard (Admin, Record	er) SH			
	Regrets:					
	George Childress CG	Regrets:				
	Jane Waterman JW	Mike Craggs (Fire Chief) MC				

Agenda Item	Lead	Outcome	ACTION
1. Call to Order	RS	RS called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM.	Noted
2. Welcome to Public Guests	RS	Welcome	
3. Declaration of Conflict of Interest	RS	None	Noted
4. Approve Agenda	RS	Agenda Approved	Moved JC, 2 nd NB
5. Approve Minutes	RS	Last meetings minutes were approved.	Moved JC, 2 nd NB
6. Safety Moment	AR	Hydration & heat safety	
7. Leaks & Distribution	KS, AR	 High usage of water traced to school sprinklers. These have been shut off and will be repaired before being reused. Couple of suspect leaks – Copper Queen above PO & on Sellentin. Being investigated, AR has night listened but hard to trace due to ground material. Pump hours back to 12-14 after sprinklers off; increasing on hot days Drilling vehicles here again – they were suspected during the high water usage and have been made aware of water situation by the rental accommodation owner and also a trustee. Capilano Highways will be replacing culverts in Van Anda and will contact to operators before to check on mains locations or possible leak detection. Gracemere property new connection complete 	
 8. Dam & Lake 9. Water Treatment Plant 10. Fire Chief Report 	KS KS SH	 Dam is fine Higher usage of salt at present – usual from summer heat. Ionex flow adjusted for this. Doesn't affected production rate Forstas getting a bit gummy tho not requiring constant cleaning Plant rate about 400 l/min – between 375 and 430 depending of status of filter changes/cleaning, regens. Jeff Spencer from Bipure hopefully coming in August, needs accommodation (MC not present, SH read report out) 	
		Fires - one, structure, 1st Responder – six, New members - Two -Two new members have joined VAFD, presently identifying gear	

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		allocations and training needs -Rescue Chief and admins from both departments will be meeting with Powell River Emergency Coordinator to discuss an increase in the grant-in- kind for Rescue Operations -Capital budget VAFD has arrived, sufficient dollars will be set aside to replace all hall equipment bay doors, estimate for start is September -I have been querying the province for possible grants, the reply was positive, and work has begun on our possible applications (a suggestion was made here for MC to have others look over his funding requests before submission, in the case it may help) -Two more additional 4.5 SCBA's and four carbon fiber bottles have been ordered -The "Who's Responding" app computer has failed; the company is shipping a replacement computer and it will arrive shortly -Van Anda will be hosting a EMA (first responder) medical training course in September -Modifications to SOG's are ongoing -We will be ordering a complete set of bunker gear for one of the new members as we do not have any of the sizes required -Trying to get our new members registered in a EOFF type course -Van Anda Fire may be shutting down training for several weeks as vacations take their toll on our membership, new recruit training will be maintained -Van Anda suffered a significant structure fire earlier this month,	SH to find out what this actually does
11. Old Business & extended	RS	 investigators report has been submitted There will be a conference in Nanaimo in November - Coastal, to attend in person. Better than Vancouver Zoom. Send info out. AR very interested Cleaner is back to regular (monthly) cleans CRA account – RS linking to business account has taken many hours. Contact names updatable by accountant who has more authority at this point. SH to set up as rep also. Crown lease for water tank finally received and finalized. Will be a yearly rental fee of \$500. Find out if we need to apply annually or if they auto send invoice Pumphouse already has valve inside for BWA user Lower Blewett work on hold as is part of large grant appl – find out Sept One applicant for admin assistant 	SH send info SH set up as rep SH check on Crown rental procedure
12. New business	RS	 One applicant for admin assistant Express Lines – what grant application is for. Request support from MLA & Fed rep for grant appl. Rachel Blaney & Nicholas Simons Possible development – TBD in camera 	SH make ad SH write letters
13. Admin Report	SH	 Provided Lafarge water test results. It was suggested that these reports include maximum acceptable levels of the metals and other substances tested. No results from the latest test – particularly interested in THM 	SH request max levels included in reporting SH ask about



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		 Work continues adding VAID as tax auth 	latest results
		 Contact confirming correct watershed logging practices 	
		• Setting up agreement for TV Assoc, then Twincomm – now Telus.	
14. Financial review	SH	 Large July invoices for parts orders. Brings attention to Purchasing Policy in development. Follow policy once finalized, Admin to do purchasing. Emergency purchases can be made by operators as needed. Fire budget ok, even with SCBAs and doors Hydrant part from water part orders to be charged to fire, as all hydrant costs will be in future. – from discussions with accountant during the audit. Ask MC about painting 	
15. Next meeting	All	Special – Bylaws & polices – to be determined Regular – August 17 1:30 pm at Firehall	
16. Public meeting adjourned	RS	Public meeting adjourned at 2.20 pm	
17. In camera			
18. Meeting adjourned	RS	Meeting adjourned at 4.30 pm	
Upcoming		Monthly Board Meeting Wednesdays at 1:30pm, Firehall	
Meetings		Aug 17, Sep 14, Oct 12, Nov 16, Dec 14	