

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Date	April 26, 2025	Time	9:30 am
Location	Van Anda Legion		
In Attendance	<p>Trustees: Ron Smith, Chair RS John Colongard JC Jennifer Moore JM Phillip Tidd PT Jane Waterman JW</p> <p>Staff: Sandra Haszard (Administrator, Recorder) SH Joseph Scott (Water Ops Coordinator) JS Trevor Morrison (Water Operator) Auditor: Dwayne Dunn DD, Accountant DMD Elections Officer: Terry Hollo TH Fire Department: Fire Chief Mark Robert MR</p>		
	<p>Public: Elizabeth Hazlette EH Sylvia Praught SP Roger Hort RH Terry Waterman TW Bruce Magee Larry Dawe LD Tom Read TR Roger Kimmerly RK Juanita Walton Amber Brewer Bernardo Reyes Gary Friars</p>		

Agenda Item	Lead	Outcome	Action
1. Welcome	RS	Meeting called to order at 9.32	
2. Adoption of the Agenda	RS	It was moved by TW and seconded by TH that the 2025 Annual General Meeting agenda be adopted. Motion carried.	Moved TW 2 nd TH
3. Adoption of 2024 AGM Minutes	RS	It was moved by JW and seconded by EH to waive the reading of the 2024 AGM minutes. Motion carried. It was moved by JW and seconded by PT that the 2024 Annual General Meeting Minutes be adopted with a minor name correction. Motion carried.	Moved JW 2 nd EH Moved JW 2 nd PT
4. Financial Report	RS & DD	<p>RS introduced Dwayne Dunn, a partner with DMD Chartered Professional Accountants, the firm hired to prepare the year-end audit. DD reported on key points within the audited financial statements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No significant changes. “Qualified” is clean with an “except” for 2 reasons: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Value and depreciation of tangible capital assets, approx. 47 yrs left but doubtful due to amount of leakage. DD is not an engineer hence the uncertainty. Fundraising – not observed, report on deposits only Statement of Financial Position – cash up, accounts receivable down (better collections – a positive sign), liabilities down (timing of invoices/payments), deferred income (fire tax received early; some unspent grant funds). Net Financial Assets – strong position Non-Financial Assets – inventory used up in repairs, prepaid is media deposit, tangible increased for fire purchases and decreased from pipework. Statement of Operations: Revenues – Water – meters income up from RV Park invoicing; Fire – UBCM Grant unspent portion; Rescue down from no reimbursement last year. Annual Surplus/Deficit – 2024 broke even Notes - Added reciprocal agreements for FB in Note 1. Tangible Capital Assets in Note 2 - adjustments are made as more info becomes known. 	

		<p>Note 11 – meeting requirements but report is old (2016). Auditor cannot say if Capital Reserve is enough not being an engineer.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water Expenses – Chlorine - high due to large volume of water treated (loss to leaks), R&M – where inventory went, Wages – staff turnover & JS system improvements, Loss – pipes replaced Lower Blewett (previous was overvalued when Tang Ass list built), Phone – cell phones, internet now paid for, • Fire Expenses – Insurance up, Promo is Forestry high need for wildfire gear & training, R&M to bring building to code, Uniform includes turnout gear and SCBAs which are purchased every year for rotation due to 10-year lifespan. • No more questions <p>Motion: It was moved by JW and seconded by PT that the 2024 Audited Financial Statements be accepted as presented. Motion carried.</p> <p>Motion: DD left room for discussion. It was moved by TW and seconded by JW to appoint DMD Chartered Professional Accountants to perform the Financial Audit for 2025. Motion carried.</p>	<p>Moved JW 2nd PT</p> <p>Moved TW 2nd JW</p>
5. Report from the Chair	RS	<p>RS opened his report thanking Trustees. Strong position both financially and water system thanks to board and employees. Losing PT, RS term up for election & running, thanked PT (applause).</p> <p>2 good things that happened</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Leak detection by specialist (Velocity) – 5 major leaks discovered in unexpected locations. Had plans to replace pipes that were not the problem. Less water treated decreases costs, next years rates should drop. Leaks do come back. Change of operation in contracting specialist. 2. Resin replacement for Ion exchangers completed. Ionex offline caused water advisories as UV not sufficient without removal of dissolved solids. Good quality water is back! <p>Residential leak detection ongoing. If leak detected, VAID asks for repair plan. ¼ of tested show leaks. Timeline – prefer ASAP, need plan, can negotiate. VAID will give discount on parts (wholesale).</p> <p>Idea from member of public to combine works for multiple leaking properties.</p> <p>Many services have improper piping and cannot handle VA pressure.</p> <p>Tolls & taxes - keeping low as possible while adding to Capital Reserve and having fair wages.</p> <p>Regular concerns from water users who say they don't use much. Community engagement meeting will be held to discuss rates.</p> <p>Future – replace chlorination system (about \$20k from Capital, is 25 years old), Wall St pumphouse, sand filter in by fall.</p> <p>Donation was for truck we just bought. Cost effective. Will have sign.</p> <p>Letter to Zyrox as response to EP Notice – letter displayed. Zyrox has been unclear. Requesting transparency and documentation.</p> <p>RH: Zyrox daily max flow reported is more that storage tank.</p> <p>Board: This is rain, not from water brought in.</p> <p>Short discussion of Mt Polly.</p>	

		<p>RH: urged to keep pushing for reports. Island is fractured all over from mining and blasting. Really important.</p> <p>Board: Data suggests low risk. Application covered 2 sites in separate location. Bolivar is not part of our water course. Yew (next to Priest Lake) has ore removal only.</p> <p>Lafarge does frequent testing, has let us know prev of unusual results. Suggested at Apr 14 Zyrox meeting that Zyrox to 1/4ly testing, between VAID's 1/4ly tests.</p> <p>TR: Apr 14 meeting notes "commitment to working group" to review all their data regularly.</p> <p>Current testing is for exploratory, will be more with growth. Recent application was extension of current set up.</p> <p>Q: Did the leak team work with our ops?</p> <p>A: Somewhat but they had specialized gear</p> <p>Q: When will the 3 hydrants be fixed? What is their age:</p> <p>A: They are operational but have valve off. Firefighters can turn on. Trying to arrange training for the 10 people on Texada who want it. One hydrant is the second to newest. Hydrant maintenance has higher priority now.</p> <p>Diamond maps shared on screen. 25% connections have unknown location. Have new detection device.</p> <p>Q: where are the 12 new connections promised?</p> <p>Board: top of Davis boat yard, Blubber Bay Rd</p> <p>Wall St pumphouse rebuild, will this include valve box across road?</p> <p>A: Has been resolved.</p> <p>Q: Wall St end open line still running?</p> <p>A: Now closed. Has periodic flushing.</p> <p>Flushing valves need is known and part of Capital Plan.</p>	
6. Fire Report	MR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0 structure fire • 2 small fires put out easily • 4 wildfires • 3 burning complaints • 29 medical calls • 2 minor motor vehicle incidents • 7 Duty Officer calls • 4 Fire Chief calls • Total of 51 calls <p>Med calls average 2-3 month this year.</p> <p>Cannot act on garbage burning complaints.</p> <p>Continued Auto Response with GB.</p> <p>Fires outside IDs are forestry. We phone dispatch, ask if they want it checked, get refunded if requested to attend.</p> <p>4 forest fires in 2024, reimbursed.</p> <p>This years burn was a Selkirk slash burn in area drier than expected.</p> <p>Neighbours green grass slowed it down; they also had a pond. Lafarge tanker showed up (15k gallons).</p> <p>Lafarge agreement in process for Mine Rescue Team response. Purchases & training in Rope Rescue.</p> <p>Fire blanket for EV fires which can burn 4-6 hours. Blanket shortens to 1.5 hr.</p> <p>Blanket place over top with hose under vehicle. Texada's first EV accident</p>	

		<p>was 2 years ago. Not many EVs locally; see more from visitors. Apparently, BC Ferries does not have an EV fire plan.</p> <p>Rescue can attend medical calls – getting more calls outside IDs with pop. growth. Rescue not paged to every medical call, only if serious or ambulance busy/not here.</p> <p>New rescue vehicle has room for more crew and will have 1st aid level 3 kit, O2 bottle, wildfire gear.</p> <p>Wildfire skid donated to Texada FF Assoc will fit in any pickup.</p> <p>Of the 3 new firefighters, one went back to Alberta, and another was asked to leave the dept. One member is off while they adjust to their new baby.</p> <p>6 new SCBA tanks purchased – have double the air and half the weight.</p> <p>VA & GB FDs have been practicing drafting to each other from lake.</p> <p>Practice with GB 1xmonth.</p> <p>601 has 10 years left for insurance purposes (FUS).</p> <p>602 temp out of commission with brake issues.</p> <p>603 still good.</p> <p>604 new rescue truck, finding role, also for travel.</p> <p>Live fire training attended in Lund at the new facility. VA is exterior only but getting some interior training to support GB (who has interior). May increase VA to interior.</p> <p>Firefighters are one step down from EMR – cannot give drugs but can now do BP, epinephrine, and O2.</p> <p>VA had only 1 OD, drug issue low. Most medical calls are heart, stroke, or breathing.</p> <p>More firefighters are Air Brakes trained.</p> <p>Radio communications – Fire, Ambulance, and Police are separate. MR phones directly for other Agency or go through Dispatch with code. If medical help needed, can be phoned by paramedic specialist or doctor – 3 doctors in BC whose sole task is medical phone calls.</p> <p>MR gets BCA schedule in advance so knows if gap in shifts – most BCA crew live in PR.</p> <p>Cannot merge the 2 fire depts without big changes.</p> <p>Asking Lafarge for tank for added properties to ID (most are Kirk Lake).</p> <p>New Fire Act means inspections cannot be done locally.</p> <p>Burning Bylaw changed to same as Gillies Bay.</p> <p>MR will be taking 5-gallon pails to beach fire locations marked “Safe Fire Bucket” to encourage fires are doused.</p> <p>Has been getting things more organised, slowly catching up, not having received much training from previous Chief, who left suddenly.</p> <p>Paul, Sylvia, Marianne, JS, & SH big help.</p> <p>Auto extrication training coming up with GB and Mine Rescue.</p> <p>Questions/comments:</p> <p>JW very thankful for being well looked after by VAFD and cooperation.</p> <p>SP: Tax dollars well spent in Admin helping Chief</p>	
7. Business	RS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	
8. Introduction of Election Officer	RS	<p>Terry Hollo agreed to act as Election Officer for the 2025 Van Anda Improvement District AGM.</p>	

9. Election of Trustees	TH	<p>2 positions open, one 2 and one 3-year term. RS term ending and he is prepared to stand again. TH asked for any nominations from the floor: JC nominated Gary Friars, who agreed to stand. TH asked two more times with no replies. Nominations were closed. Trustee positions filled by Gary Friars and Ron Smith, elected by acclamation. Congratulations Gary & Ron. RS thanked PT again.</p>	
10. Questions from the Floor	RS	<p>No questions. JM commented that despite govt block on merging, Texada's Fire Departments are working together well, and Water Department are doing this now too. New MLA shows signs of listening, to act on improved ID funding. Meeting planned working with the other IDs in the constituency & province. Group in interior discussing legal action against province for lack of support. ID cheapest form of government. Coastal Water Suppliers seeing less ID enthusiasm for events. Possibly joining forces with BCWS Assoc, have similarities. Supplier members have less than quorum to ensure fairness.</p>	
11. Meeting adjourned	RS	Meeting adjourned at 11:32	

VAID Water System Report for 2024

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Water Quality

A Water Quality Advisory was in effect for most of the year and there were several short-term Boil Water Notices. 2024 brought many challenges with our five-year-old water treatment plant, most of which have been resolved, and plans are in place for the rest.

The Water Quality Advisory was due to temporary Ultraviolet Treatment (UVT) insufficiency. UVT is the final step in water treatment before chlorination. The UVT system was not adequate due to the dissolved solids not being removed by the Ion Exchangers (Ionex), as designed. Replacement of the Ionex media solved this issue. This job was contracted to Aaron Service & Supply and was completed Feb 2025.

Replacement of the chlorine analyser and related devices is planned – we expected it to have been completed by the AGM though this is delayed due to shipping error. This aged equipment caused fluctuations in amount of chlorine added to the water. This will solve the issue that caused two of the Boil Water Notices.

Another issue we had with chlorination was weakened strength of undiluted chlorine received from the supplier. Procedures were put in place to prevent this happening again, such as testing each shipment received and a change of the source. We also added ventilation to our storage container to prevent the possibility of heat damage in summer.

The addition of a sand filtration unit between the self-cleaning filters and the cartridge filters is expected to commence late 2025. This sand filter was donated to VAID from a Vancouver Island location that has since connected to a larger water supply system. It will save us money on treatment consumables such as cartridges, chlorine, salt, and electricity, and extend the life of the new ionex media. Also planned is a new chlorination system, rebuild of Wall St pumphouse, new floating dock in lake, and continued leak detection on private property.

Tolls & Taxes

We kept 2025 increase of Water Tolls and Parcel Taxes for most properties to 6%, which was the minimum required, especially given the inflationary pressures that continued this year. Parcel taxes have always been higher for owners of larger properties; we are gradually closing the gap by keeping the rate increase lower on larger parcels while preparing Revenue Budgets. As we've heard concerns about the fairness of water tolls, VAID will be holding a community engagement session in the next month or two regarding how water tolls can be equitably set.

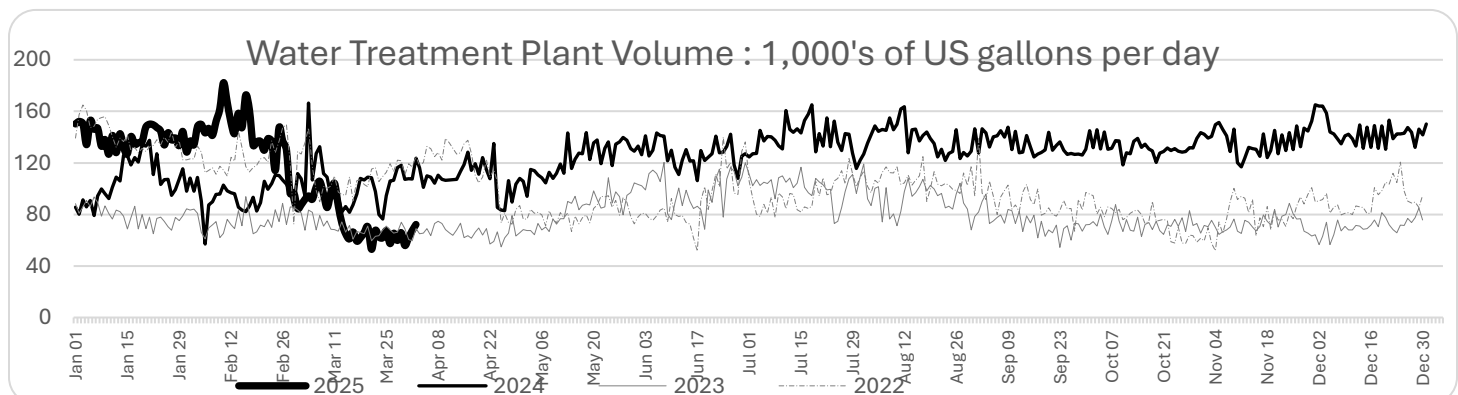
Leaks Status

Leaks continued to increase in 2024 even after the many repairs during the year. We thank every one that reported leaks.

The volume of water treated for 2024 was 172,307 cubic meters compared to 110,187 for 2023 – an increase of 64%. We were concerned that the water treatment plant will not be able to keep up with increased summer use so finding these leaks continued to be our major priority.

Due to the severity of this situation, a leak detection specialist was contracted - Velocity Water Services were here in January 2025 using their industry-leading technologies in acoustic leak detection to locate water leaks. The report can be found online at vananda-id.ca/reports/

Repairs during February and March at the locations identified reduced water consumption by more than half! Average daily amount for November (before any freezing weather) was 518 cubic meters per day, or 137,000 US Gallons. Some days were close to the maximum plant production of 610 cubic meters (160,000 USG). For March (after the repairs), the average daily amount was 242 cubic meters (63,850 USG). Per capita use has dropped from 1,141 (Jan & Feb) to 505 litres per person per day (Mar 13 – Apr 2).



Water processing costs us money - electricity, cartridge filters, filter media, water softener, chlorine, maintenance parts, and labour - and repairing leaks will save money spent on water treatment. The treatment cost savings from these repairs quickly covers the cost of the specialist and the repairs.

Detecting Leaks on Private Property

Even with the recent large drop in water use, the per person usage is still double the Canadian average. We have made significant progress with leak repair on watermain; however we have already found several leaks on private property and suspect there are many more.

To perform the test, VAID's water operators will contact you before they begin. They will use a water pressure gauge at your hose bib or where the waterline enters the house. We ask that you shut off any water using appliances or devices during the test. If a leak is detected, property owners are responsible for repair of water leaks on their property. Our water operators will provide you with information on standards for repairs.

Climate Change & Water Restrictions

Recent summers brought extended dry periods, with lower lake levels. The intake pump is now on a float to ensure that low water levels at the intake well do not impact pump operation.

Our water supply, Priest Lake, has plenty of water. Seasonal water restrictions are put in place to manage the volume of water that is treated, as high usage can max out the plant capacity and decrease water supply for fire protection.

We heard your comments and suggestions, and the Water Conservation Bylaw was changed this year to be clearer about Restrictions.

Restriction details with dates, times, and type of water use can be seen at vananda-id.ca/water-restrictions/

Please ensure your hoses have attachments to restrict full flow and let us know of concerns about excessive water use. Insulate pipes to avoid freezing. Once again, we had several leaks manifest after freezing conditions warmed up. Searching for these leaks used many hours of water operator labor.

To encourage water conservation, we are continuing with our program of offering a discount for drip irrigation parts. This is a method of plant watering that uses much less water than traditional methods. VAID will help you reduce the costs of purchasing a drip irrigation system – please contact us for details.

Mining Concerns

VAID has written a response to Zyrox's application. It will be placed on the VAID website and on VAID's Facebook page.

New Water Connections

3 new connections were completed on Wall St, 2 for the subdivision in progress and one for another property that became part of the District at the same time. With the possibility of 3 more connections in the subdivision; the developer has agreed to pay for the Wall St pumphouse upgrades that are needed to support the extra connections. Another development in progress that water supply has been agreed to is a Bare Land Strata with 12 metered connections and includes a new hydrant. Other potential developments in Van Anda have not yet reached the stage of applying for water.

Employee Changes

We have a new employee who started working for VAID in 2024 after Austin Rycroft resigned. Trevor Morrison (Water Operator) started in April 2024. Marianne Segers continues as Water Operator and Sandra Haszard as Administrator. Joseph Scott's position has changed to Operations Coordinator. Joining us this year is Bernardo Reyes, experienced in many aspects of Water Operations and working as a contract employee. All employees work part time.

Employee Training Completed

The Water Operators and Operations Coordinator completed several EOCP accredited on-line courses from BCSWS, Dragonetti Group, and Interior Health on a variety of topics.

VAID Work Vehicle

VAID has purchased a pickup truck for water operator use. Thanks to the generosity of community members, a good part of the purchase cost was covered. Analysis of expenses show that expenditure will be less than the mileage amount currently being paid to employees. Additionally, regularly used tools, fittings, and supplies can be stocked in the truck for improved work efficiency.

Text Notification System

We have set up a system for notification by text. If you know of anyone who would like to be texted when there are water issues, please let us know.

Meeting Minutes & Monthly Newsletters

Detailed and informational meeting minutes are published on the website about a week after the meeting is held. These can be found at vananda-id.ca/meetings-minutes/ along with meeting dates. We continue to publish monthly newsletters in the Express Lines, on our website, and VAID's Facebook page. You can receive the newsletters by email by subscribing at vananda-id.ca/subscribe/

Van Anda Fire & Rescue Report for 2024

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2024 CALL OUTS

- 0 structure fire
- 2 small fires put out easily
- 4 wildfires
- 3 burning complaints
- 29 medical calls
- 2 minor motor vehicle incidents
- 7 Duty Officer calls
- 4 Fire Chief calls
- Total of 51 calls

Fire Chief: Mark Robert
Deputy Chief: Paul Nilsen
Fire Fighters: Andrew Turner
Dominic Galon
George Franklin
Jacob Doyle
Joe Winnig
Kevin Schwenk
Marianne Segers
Matthew Nordli
Ravyn Godwin
Zachary Goldman



3 new members joined the department in 2024.
Welcome to the team!

Training

In 2024, members completed training for Emergency Medical Responder First Aid, S-100 Wildfire (BC Wildfire Service recognized Basic Fire Suppression and Safety), Live Fire exterior and interior firefighting at the facility in Lund, and a chain saw operator's course.

Training so far in 2025 includes Vehicle Extrication; planned is Jaws of Life training – one day will be with GBFD and another day with Lafarge Mine Rescue.

VAFD and Gillies Bay Fire Department train together often and work well together at incidents. Training with GBFD this year included live fire training on Texada – 2 boats and 2 structures.

Equipment Upgrades

In 2024, we purchased a fire suppression blanket for vehicle fires. Some electric vehicles may take up to four hours to put out with just water. With the blanket and water, it can be put out much faster by cutting oxygen out of the fire triangle. Other upgrades include a new first aid kit, a new O2 tank, SCBA facemasks, ladder, toolbox, tools and supplies for fire and rescue vehicles, and forest firefighting equipment. Electrical work was completed at the Firehall to repair heaters and wiring.

For 2025, purchases include 6 SCBA tanks, 8 new hoses for the firetrucks, first aid kit, gate for below Legion (replacing blocks in road so emergency access is possible), 602 brake repairs, hats and toques for members, and 3 sets of turn out gear. VAFD shared the repair cost with GB for the air compressor located in Gillies Bay Firehall. Ordered and expected soon are hydrant de-chlorination diffuser (removes chlorine from water during flushing) and 2 climbing harnesses for rescue.

New Rescue Truck

In March 2025, we purchased a 2011 Dodge Ram 2500 from Qualicum Beach Fire Department. This vehicle is in excellent condition and has been well maintained. Being a crew cab, there is room for more responders. Medical calls outside the ID boundaries are responded to in the Rescue vehicle. The old truck seats only 2 responders; on some calls we had 3 members driving their personal vehicles to calls. Without lights and sirens, they do not have right-of-way to these calls. The old rescue truck will be used along with the new one for medical calls and wildfire response.

Community Emergency Preparedness Grant

The 2023 grant funds were received in 2024 (\$24,644). These were used for S-100 forest fire fighting training, turnout gear, a 1200 USG portable water tank with carry case and ground tarp, Mark-3 pump package (including suction hose, foot valve, fuel line, and fuel can), protective jackets and vests, forestry shovels and axes, and other forestry gear.

Contact info: Fire Chief Mark Robert phone or text 604-414-9662 or email firechief@vananda.ca

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Wildfire Skid Donation

The Texada Fire Fighters Association received a donation of a wildfire skid. This is a self-contained 1200L tank, a wildfire pump, and a section of hose on a skid that fits in the back of a pickup or on a trailer. The donor, GlobalMedic, was donating a number of these units across Western Canada, and we were lucky enough to get one.

Merging Fire Departments

Van Anda and Gillies Bay Fire Departments looked more at merging, but it seems there is no way to do this while keeping full control of the FDs on Texada. Along with training together, both are now part of Texada's Fire Fighters Association.

Texada Island Volunteer Firefighters Association

Both department's members now belong to an Island wide group, Texada Volunteer Firefighters Association. Any activities undertaken for the Fire Department by Volunteer Firefighters Associations will now be with the Texada group.

Increased Fire Protection Area

20 property owners outside the Van Anda Improvement District (ID) applied to become part of the ID. Of these, 6 now have agreements for Temporary Fire Protection until the District Boundary change is complete. Both Texada's Fire Departments (FDs) will respond to a fire on these properties. 6 other owners decided not to proceed after being informed of the estimated increase to their Rural Property Tax for funding the FD. There was no response from the remaining owners to continue with their applications.

The FDs of Van Anda and Gillies Bay have an agreement in place for immediate response to fires in both IDs. Fires within the boundaries of either ID are attended to by both FDs without delay. Our FDs cannot attend fires outside the IDs, unless called in by Forestry. Forestry will not act on structure fires or request FD assistance until the fire has spread to the forest. This means valuable time is wasted, which could lead to a disastrous situation.

Annual Burn Ban

We heard your comments and suggestions, and the Fire Regulation Bylaw was changed this year to be clearer about burning restrictions and match up with those in Gillies Bay. The new bylaw can be found on our website vananda-id.ca/fire-restrictions/ along with BC Wildfire Service Fire Danger Rating and Coastal Fire Bans.

General Information

Mark Robert accepted the position of Fire Chief. Mark was Acting Fire Chief since Mike Craggs left.

Firefighters have insurance coverage in case of accident. This was previously limited to Fire Department activities only. In 2024, we extended the coverage to 24/7.

The Fire Department and Firefighters continue to assist BC Ambulance Service (BCAS) with patient movements and transport.

Please think about becoming a volunteer member and helping your community!

A couple of hours a week are all you need to become a volunteer firefighter:

- ✓ No previous experience necessary.
- ✓ All gear and training provided at no cost.
- ✓ Accident insurance coverage (new – 24/7 coverage, not just while performing fire fighter duties).
- ✓ Practice once a week for two hours with occasional weekend training.
- ✓ CRA tax benefit.
- ✓ Having more firefighters helps lower home insurance costs for everyone in Van Anda.

Anyone interested in joining is welcome to attend a practice. These are held on Monday nights beginning at 6:30 pm. (This may be changed to weekends to accommodate shift workers.) You don't have to live in Van Anda to join.

Hall training focuses on practical skills, hazard awareness, SCBA (Self Contained Breathing Apparatus), ropes and pulleys, pumper skills, hydrant hookup with truck pressurization, traffic control, and radio use. First Responder medical scenario training is ongoing, as is forest fire fighting training.

Training away such as Live-Fire, EMA accreditation, Critical Incident Stress Management, Air Brakes endorsement, and Class 4 endorsement on Driver's License is paid for by the Fire Department and costs such as travel, food, and hotel are also covered.

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