

**WILLIS POINT FIRE PROTECTION
AND RECREATION FACILITIES COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday Dec 7, 2021
7:30 PM

Present: Vern McConnell, Brian McCandless, Gary Howell, Joel Cotter, Aran Puritch, Brent Kornelson, Paul Williams

Absent: Director Mike Hicks,

Guests & Invitees: (Online: Chris Vrael, Jonathan Reimex, Lia Xu) Art Wynans, Daniel Kenway

Meeting called to order at 7:35 pm

1) Approval of Agenda

MOTION by Brent Kornelson, **SECONDED** by Paul Williams that the Agenda be accepted as presented. **CARRIED**

2) MOTION by Gary Howell, **SECONDED** by Paul Williams that the minutes of Nov 9, 2021 be accepted as presented, **CARRIED**

3) Chair Report: Vern noted we have received confirmation that the Durrance Close properties have been officially added to the Willis Point Fire Protection Area.

4) Hall Report: Brent read report, (see attached)

MOTION by Brian McCandless, seconded by Gary Howell to accept Hall Managers report, **CARRIED**

5) Fire Chiefs Report: Art reports the new SCBA has been received and fit tested, they will try to sell old units. Dispatch has moved from Langford to Saanich.

6) Business Arising:

- a) Cell Tower: the new site for the replacement tower has been staked
- b) Tank Farm: nothing new to report
- c) Hall heating: Brian reports the problem with heating programming has been addressed.
- d) Hall Apron: Brian is exploring option for upgrades to the apron area.
- e) Hall Repairs: Repairs are completed to hose room wall.
- f) Hall Roof Leak: Paul will address options for the roof cleaning and repairs.

6) Budget: Nothing new to report

7) WPCA Report: Daniel reported on ongoing WPCA activities. CRD has indicated the Picnic shelter requires wheelchair access; they are exploring options and costs.

8) Next commission meeting Jan 18, 2022

9) Truck Replacement: Aran presented discussion report on the purchasing options and how they relate to the longer term Fire Department goals and funding requirements. Discussion followed, the Chief will present the FD recommendations to the commission at the next meeting.

10) Vern announced that he will be resigning as Commission Chair effective the end of 2021 after 25 years in this position; he will continue to maintain his seat on the commission.

Members unanimously expressed their thanks and appreciation for his longstanding dedication to the community and countless hours of work on the commission.

Motion by Aran, seconded by Gary to adjourn meeting 9:50pm. CARRIED.

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Hall Manager's Report

The Fire Department is continuing to use the hall on Thursday evenings for floor hockey. The Community Association is using the hall on Wednesday and Sunday mornings for pickle ball. The Fire Department has booked the hall for December 18th for their Christmas gathering. In addition, the hall was booked on December 5th for a Willis Point private gathering. There are no other new bookings at this time.

There are no issues of concern.

Submitted by,

Mariann Malvet

Hall Manager