

Minutes of the **special session of Municipal Council** held on April 24, 2018, at the Bridgetown Fire Hall, N.S., at 6:39 p.m.

**Present:** Warden Timothy Habinski; Deputy Warden Martha Roberts; Councillors, John A MacDonald, Burt McNeil, Michael J Gunn, Wendy Sheridan, and Diane LeBlanc.

**Absent:** Councillors Marilyn Wilkins, Wayne Fowler, Gregory Heming, and Alex Morrison

**Also**

**Present:** Chief Administrative Officer John Ferguson, Municipal Clerk Carolyn Young, and other staff.

Deputy Chief Mike Lockett welcomed all to the Bridgetown fire hall for an informal presentation/question/answer time.

The Warden advised the meeting was called to meet with the Annapolis County Fire Services Association. He added that this was originally intended to be a workshop, but when presenting to Municipal Council, it had to be at a duly convened meeting of Council. He called the meeting to order at 6:39 p.m.

### **New Business**

Re: Annapolis County Fire Services – Mike Lockett noted his appreciation in being able to present to Council as Fire Services hasn't had a chance to speak directly with Council since 2012. The presentation was intended to provide an education to Council on the actual costs associated with providing fire services, where funding comes from, and what is not funded.

The CAO added that Mr. Ewing, Mr. Brown and Mr. Lockett presented their case to the Fire Services Committee explaining that they had not received the cost of living increase (which they had received prior) but had only received the assessment increase. Council approved the increase that had been requested. He added his appreciation for this volunteer group, which provides an excellent service, noting that Council is willing to work together with Fire Services.

Mr. Lockett – invited everyone to remain after the meeting to view some of the various apparatus and equipment.

Warden Habinski added his appreciation of the presentation, noting how much all volunteers of the fire service organizations are valued. None are more essential for the safety and vitality of our communities. The Warden noted Council is open to continuing to work together.

### **Adjournment**

Upon motion of Councillors McNeil and Sheridan, the meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

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**Warden**

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**Municipal Clerk**