

# **JOINT FIRE SERVICES OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

## **MEETING MINUTES**

Oct 30, 2024 3:00PM

PALMERSTON FIREHALL

Present: Marco Guidotti, Callise Loos, Chris Harrow, Gregg Furtney, Andy Lennox, Manny Baron, Brooke Lambert, Mike Martin,

- Website Update for three departments
  - A joint fire services website with updates related to fire safety and emergencies was presented to the committee. The committee approved the concept.
- Logos for Management Team and Departments
  - All three logos, plus the management team logo is completed. The team is finishing an implementation plan surrounding usage of the logos.
- Budgets – goals for this year’s budgets
  - Have attended Mapleton’s budget meeting, WN and MN are still to come.
  - Significant savings in WN, some savings in MN, and MA has an increase.
  - Working on a truck plan to come to this committee for an overall 25-year truck plan
  - Will need to look for a plan to replace 2 main trucks in Harriston, as they are 20 years old as of next year. Stretching the pumpers out to 25 years old as there is nothing wrong with them.
- Equipment Invoicing
  - Minto to pay bulk invoices, and Mapleton/ Wellington North to remit payment back to Minto.
- Recruitment and Retention
  - Recruitment is complete for the January recruitment classes, looking to bring on 8 in Mapleton and 8 in Wellington North.

- Master Fire Plan/Council Workshops
  - Management team discussed the idea of hosting Council workshops in Jan/Feb about levels of service for each fire department.
- Wellness Program Overhaul
  - Wellness is a hot topic in the fire service, a new 3 pronged approach to health and wellness will be implemented in the new year

Next meeting TBD in 2025