



Community Safety Committee

Date: Wednesday, February 15, 2017
Place: Anderson Room
Richmond City Hall
Present: Councillor Bill McNulty, Chair
Councillor Derek Dang
Councillor Ken Johnston
Councillor Alexa Loo
Councillor Linda McPhail
Also Present: Councillor Carol Day (entered at 4:01)
Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

MINUTES

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the meeting of the Community Safety Committee held on January 10, 2017, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

Cllr. Day entered the meeting (4:01 p.m.).

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE

March 14, 2017, (tentative date) at 4:00 p.m. in the Anderson Room

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DELEGATION

1. Cpl. Bob Basanti, Richmond RCMP, provided a brief overview of the Richmond RCMP's Vulnerable Persons Unit (VPU), noting that (i) the VPU provides assistance for high-risk individuals who may have issues related to mental health, domestic violence, and addictions, (ii) VPU members are cross-trained and utilize a record management system, (iii) the VPU collaborates with other police agencies and Vancouver Coastal Health (VCH), other jurisdictions have a similar programs to the VPU, and (iv) RCMP staff are working on ways to evaluate the VPU program.

LAW AND COMMUNITY SAFETY DIVISION

2. **COMMUNITY BYLAWS MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – DECEMBER 2016**

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-01) (REDMS No. 5281578)

In reply to queries from Committee, Ron Graham, Manager, Community Bylaws, noted that recent sign violations calls tend to be complaints related to signs on City property and real estate signs. Also, he noted that enforcement revenue from parking violations decreased due in part to the recent winter conditions and holidays.

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled "Community Bylaws Monthly Activity Report – December 2016", dated January 18, 2017, from the Acting General Manager, Law and Community Safety, be received for information.

CARRIED

3. **EMERGENCY PROGRAMS ACTIVITY REPORT - OCTOBER TO DECEMBER 2016**

(File Ref. No. 09-5126-01) (REDMS No. 5281915)

In reply to queries from Committee, Daniel McKenna, Acting Senior Manager, Community Safety, noted that development of the Sea Island Emergency Preparedness Program is on-going and that more meetings between staff and the Sea Island Community Association are scheduled.

Discussion ensued with regard to (i) development of the Emergency Preparedness Program for other neighbourhoods, (ii) the availability of emergency supplies in the City's Fire Halls, (iii) involving the public in emergency preparedness drills, (iv) emergency preparedness training for first responders, (v) development of the online emergency notification system, and (vi) reviewing the City's eight Emergency Preparedness Plans.

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It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled, "Emergency Programs Activity Report – October to December 2016," dated January 10, 2017, from the Acting General Manager, Law and Community Safety, be received for information.

CARRIED

4. **DONATION OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT – 1931 LAFRANCE FIRE TRUCK**

(File Ref. No. 99-Fire Rescue) (REDMS No. 4822576 v. 5)

Tim Wilkinson, Acting Fire Chief, Richmond Fire-Rescue (RFR), briefed Committee on the donation of the 1931 LaFrance Fire Truck to the Victoria Fire Department Historical Society, noting that the family of former RFR Fire Captain Gene Neumeyer, who previously owned the truck, was consulted on the proposed donation.

It was moved and seconded

That the 1931 LaFrance fire truck pumper unit, listed in the staff report titled "Donation of Surplus Equipment – 1931 LaFrance Fire Truck", dated January 16, 2017, from the Acting Fire Chief, Richmond Fire-Rescue be authorized by Council for donation and repatriation to Victoria Fire Department Historical Society.

CARRIED

5. **DONATION OF SURPLUS VEHICLES**

(File Ref. No. 99-Fire Rescue) (REDMS No. 5284180 v. 9)

Acting Fire Chief Wilkinson briefed Committee on the donation of surplus RFR vehicles noting that the donation of the Chevrolet S10 truck is under review for use in the Bylaws Department. He added that transportation costs for the donated vehicles would be provided by Firefighters Without Borders Canada.

It was moved and seconded

That the surplus City vehicles listed in the staff report titled "Donation of Surplus Vehicles", dated January 11, 2017, from the Acting Fire Chief, Richmond Fire-Rescue be authorized by Council for donation to Firefighters Without Borders Canada.

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6. **RICHMOND FIRE-RESCUE MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – DECEMBER 2016**

(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 5290733)

Acting Fire Chief Wilkinson reviewed RFR activities for December 2016, noting that there has been an increase in medical-related calls due in part to the recent winter weather.

Discussion ensued with regard to the British Columbia Ambulance Service's response to medical calls in the city.

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled "Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report - December 2016", dated January 17, 2017 from the Acting Fire Chief, Richmond Fire-Rescue, be received for information.

CARRIED

7. **FIRE CHIEF BRIEFING**

(Verbal Report)

(i) Lucas Auto CPR Machine

RFR members provided a demonstration of the Lucas Auto CPR Machine acquired by the RFR. Acting Fire Chief Wilkinson noted that the RFR currently has three CPR Machines which assists members perform CPR on patients. He added that the CPR machine costs approximately \$13,000 and can last 45 minutes on a single charge.

Discussion ensued with regard to CPR Machine training for RFR members and acquiring more machines.

As a result of the discussion, the following **referral motion** was introduced:

It was moved and seconded

That staff examine options to acquire seven additional Lucas Auto CPR Machines to equip all fire trucks and report back.

CARRIED

(ii) Time Change/Smoke Alarm Check

Acting Fire Chief Wilkinson wished to remind residents to check smoke alarms at the upcoming change to daylight savings time.

Kim Howell, Deputy Fire Chief, noted that a news release on the matter as well as social media postings will be made to promote awareness of checking smoke alarms.

(iii) Staffing Optimum Report

Acting Fire Chief Wilkinson noted that a staff report on RFR staffing will be presented in the first quarter.

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8. **RCMP'S MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – DECEMBER 2016**

(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 5267929)

Eric Hall, Inspector, Richmond RCMP, reviewed Richmond RCMP's December 2016 activities, noting that (i) December 2016 statistics are near the five year average, (ii) crime events that may involve multiple offenses or prolific offenders may skew statistic averages, and (iii) movement along the Canada Line may influence the number of lower level crime in the area.

It was moved and seconded

That the report titled "RCMP's Monthly Activity Report – December 2016" dated January 16, 2017 from the Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP, be received for information.

CARRIED

9. **RCMP/OIC BRIEFING**

(Verbal Report)

(i) BC Chief Meeting

Insp. Hall noted that the BC Chiefs will be meeting on February 20, March 1 and March 2, 2017 in the River Rock Casino Resort.

(ii) Muslim Mosques

Insp. Hall noted that the Richmond RCMP initiated patrols of Richmond Muslim Mosques and schools in light of recent events in Quebec. He added that Richmond RCMP members are working Muslim community leaders on ways to improve emergency preparedness.

10. **COMMITTEE STANDING ITEMS**

(i) Emergency Programs

This item was discussed previously in the meeting.

(ii) E-Comm

The Chair advised that E-Comm President and CEO David Guscott will be retiring this August 2017 and that the E-Comm board will be meeting to discuss his replacement.

11. **MANAGER'S REPORT**

None.

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ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded

That the meeting adjourn (5:01 p.m.).

CARRIED

Certified a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the meeting of the Community Safety Committee of the Council of the City of Richmond held on Wednesday, February 15, 2017.

Councillor Bill McNulty
Chair

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Legislative Services Coordinator