



- b) **Moved** by R. Lyster that the Emergency Services Committee refer the Certified Industrial Hygiene Consulting Ltd. Report on Industrial Hygiene Monitoring at Exshaw Fire Hall, to Council for review.

**CARRIED**

**5. UPDATE FROM DISTRICTS**

- a) R. Lyster gave an update on 2018 to date and said there have been 76 responses from Exshaw Fire, 10 from Ghost Fire Department and 7 by Jamieson Fire Department. He said responses have decreased and last year at this date, there had been 121 responses. He noted that he prepares reports for Council monthly.

R. Lyster told the Committee that two fire fighters had taken a four-day Critical Incident Stress Management session. He noted the province has generated a support network for Fire Chiefs to call on for help with debriefing. He said peer support for fire fighters is very important and the network promotes extreme confidentiality. He added that the Town of Canmore and Canmore Fire Department hosted a session called The Road to Mental Readiness, which helps people be more resilient and helps with prevention. He said they invited the M.D. and two people will attend the one-day session.

R. Lyster said 14 people started working on the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 1001 Level I, and 8 passed. He said of those that passed, 4 completed Level II exams and of those, 2 went on and took the NFPA 472 (hazardous materials) portion and can now be certified for NFPA 1001 Level II Standard for Professional Firefighters.

R. Lyster said there was a joint wildland training session with Canmore Fire that included Alpine Helicopters moving water with a bucket. He said the training was very well done. He said the fire department trained on M.D. flood equipment including sandbagging, pumps and tiger dams. He said he attended the Fire Chiefs conference two weeks ago.

- b) T. McFadden said his department has been quiet but has one new member. The new member is trained as a wildland fire fighter, which is a great asset to the team. He said his team participated in vehicle extraction training, where 12 members attended and low-slope training and patient rescue, where 13 members attended.
- c) W. Dick said there are seven active members on his team and one reserve member. He said there are four members who would like training in fall of 2018.

W. Dick said they have responded to four medical calls. He said there was one issue with a catalogue alarm, which was cancelled, but could have been catastrophic. He said the incident was concerning because their fire truck got stuck in a driveway, leaving the bush buggy as the only vehicle that made it to the scene. He said their truck would have blocked any other responders who might have arrived at the scene.

W. Dick said the team has been working with Carraig Ridge on emergency exits from the area. He said he was shown two buried water tanks and is making sure the couplings are appropriate for fire use. He said his team will practice annually at their site.

Discussion followed about fire agreements between the M.D. and the Summer Village of Ghost Lake and Summer Village of Waiparous. The C.A.O. noted that there is no agreement with the Summer Village of Ghost Lake. W. Dick said he would appreciate clear instructions on responses in the area.

- d) R. Lyster gave an update on a Flood Readiness Initiative Grant, as the M.D. was recognized as a community at risk for flood. He said an application was submitted for the first phase of up to \$10,000 for flood preparation. The second phase is up to \$20,000 for planning, design and improve flood preparedness. He proposed a transfer switch at Ghost Fire Hall, for the Phase I funding, and contacted a consultant to prepare a gap analysis and assess the Incident Command System (ICS), for the Phase II funding. He said the application was accepted but was informed that all the work must be completed by June 30, 2018. He said the timeframe did not leave enough time for the work to be done. The C.A.O added that the letter was sent mid-May and received a few days later and the Province has confirmed the timeframe will not be extended.

R. Lyster finished by saying that Emergency Social Services Network made a presentation at the Exshaw Community Hall on June 1. He said the main topic of discussion was the South-Central Disaster Agreement and said if the M.D. has an emergency, the network can be called upon, which is beneficial to everyone.

## **6. NEW BUSINESS**

- a) Review of Municipal Recognition and Events Policy – R. Lyster  
The Committee reviewed the policy and had an extensive discussion regarding fire fighter recognition and appreciation.
- b) Emergency Services Policy Review – R. Lyster  
R. Lyster said he would review the policies first and bring a red-line version for the next meeting.
- c) 2018 Flood Readiness Initiative - R. Lyster  
R. Lyster noted that he had already discussed this earlier in the meeting during his Disaster Services update.
- d) Gas Detectors – R. Lyster  
R. Lyster told the EMS Committee that he would have the Carbon Monoxide detectors at the Exshaw Fire Hall, as per the quote from Multigas Detection & Instrumentation Services Group Inc. dated May 28, 2018.
- e) Reserve Fire Fighters Policy – R. Lyster  
The EMS Committee agreed to refer the Reserve Fire Fighters policy to Council for approval.

- f) Fire Fighter Insurance and Definitions of Insured Persons  
It was decided due to the lateness of the meeting that this item be deferred until the next scheduled meeting of the EMS.

**7. INFORMATION**

- a) email from David Humphrey re: Highway 1/Trans-Canada and Highway 1A Motor Vehicle Collisions  
b) Bighorn Emergency Services Report (March, April, May 2018)

**8. INCAMERA**

There were no items to discuss.

**9. NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting date will be scheduled at the call of the Chairman in early August 2018.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

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CHAIRMAN