**Piers Island Improvement District**

**Bylaw No. 117**

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A bylaw to amend bylaw No. 56, being the “FIRE DEPARTMENT ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATIONS BY LAW” for the purpose of the Board of Trustees, as Authority Having Jurisdiction, to formally declare the level of fire protection services that the Piers Island Volunteer Fire Department will be authorized to undertake.

The Trustees of the Piers Island Improvement District **ENACT AS FOLLOWS:**

That the improvement district’s Bylaw No. 56, passed by the Trustees on the 14th day of December 1990, and registered by the Inspector of Municipalities on the 1st day of March 1991, is hereby amended by the following:

1. Clause #2(7) be amended to read as follows:

The Fire Chief has complete authority over the Fire Department subject to the direction and control of the Board to which he/she shall be responsible, and in particular he/she shall be required to carry out all fire protection activities and such other activities as the Board directs, including:

1. the Exterior Operations Level of Fire Fighting Service, as defined in the "*British Columbia Fire Service Minimum Training Standards",* a publication produced by the Office of the Fire Commissioner of British Columbia, pursuant to the Fire Services Act of B.C.
2. first response to medical emergencies.

2. Clause #2(8) be amended to read as follows:

The Fire Chief, subject to ratification by the Board, is responsible for the establishment of rules, regulations, policies and committees necessary for the proper organization, member training, and administration of the Fire Department including but not limited to:

1. firefighter training and evaluation in all applicable competencies, including theoretical classroom and hands-on practical skills, which are required for the declared Service Level.
2. use, care and protection of fire department property.
3. the conduct and discipline of members of the fire department
4. efficient operations of the fire department.

3. Clause #2(15) be amended to read as follows:

The Fire Chief, or any other member in charge, at an incident is empowered to enter premises or property where the incident occurred and to cause any member, apparatus or equipment of the Fire Department to enter, as he/she deems necessary, in order to combat, control or deal with the incident, subject to the limits of the Exterior Operations Service Level mandate.

4. Clause #2(26) be amended to read as follows:

The Fire Chief, or member in charge, at an incident may request persons who are not members to assist in extinguishing a fire, removing furniture, goods and merchandise from any building on fire or in danger thereof and in guarding and securing same and in demolishing a building or structure at or near the fire or other incident, subject to the limits of the Exterior Operations Service Level mandate.

**CITATION:**

This bylaw may be cited as the "Bylaw #117, Fire Services Amending Bylaw".

**INTRODUCED** and given first reading by the Trustees on the 14th of May, 2016.

**RECONSIDERED** and finally passed by the Trustees on the 14th of May, 2016

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Chairman of the Trustees

I hereby certify under the seal of Piers Island Improvement District that this is a true copy of the Bylaw No. 117.

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Corporate Secretary