

Fire Trustee's Report 2019

Type 4 Ambulance

The Type 4 Ambulance was purchased in May of last year; however it did not arrive on the island until July. Some modifications were made to the vehicle after it arrived and from all accounts I've heard, the Type 4 has been a great new asset to the Emergency Vehicle fleet on the island.

New 4X4

Over the past year we have had a few meetings with the 4X4 committee and many discussions over email. Back in April the committee agreed to bid on a truck to replace the existing 4X4, however lost out to a higher bid than we had agreed to go above. Discussions will continue with the new Fire Trustee and hopefully sooner rather than later the island will have a new 4X4 to replace the aging one we have. The new 4X4 will also be a vehicle that will have space set aside for extra First Responder supplies to support the Type 4 in medical emergencies.

Apron

At last year's AGM there was a discussion and it became clear the completion of the fire hall apron is something Islanders would like to see. This year the Trustees have agreed to put forth \$15,000 in Sustainment Funds towards the completion of this project, this combined with any fundraised dollars will go towards the final budget of the apron. As of now, I am working on quotes using different materials such as paving stones, cement and asphalt. My plan is to have drawings of these 3 materials overlaid on the existing gravel apron in front of the bay doors sent to all landowners prior to the AGM, so islanders can see what we are looking at price-wise and esthetically. Once we have settled on the material we would like to go forward with and the cost, then we will plan on how to make up the money to complete the project.

My time as the Fire Trustee is up and I feel Steve and I accomplished a lot together over these 3 years. I'm very lucky that during my time Steve was and still is the Fire Chief and I will not forget to give the same feeling to Pauline. Pauline and Steve have always taken care of all things Fire Hall, whether it was new equipment, radios, shelving a new TV, etc. They made it very easy. Thank you to both of you for all those things. Islanders may not think of or see these things, but it really is great to have that kind of support as a Trustee.

Greg Miller
Fire Trustee