

### **Administrator's Report – April 28, 2009**

I attended FPEIM meeting. Significant time spent on new financial reporting spreadsheet for Communities, Cultural Affairs, and Labour (due April 30) and on the newsletter, and preparation and minutes for election and annual meeting. Infrastructure financial reports (audited) are due May 31.

It was suggested we investigate Cooke Insurance agency, as premiums are said to be favourable due to their insuring many municipalities. I will check into this as time permits.

#### **I attended the North River Fire Department Information Meeting:**

There were four calls to Miltonvale Park in 2008:

One alarm (smoke/fire) call to the Community Park (May 20/08), and another to a home on the Rustico Road (alarm activated - no smoke, no fire). There was a grass fire on the Crabbe Road in September 2008 and a motor vehicle accident on Highway 2 in January of 2008.

The NRRFD, which includes 30 members (five are new this year), responded to 144 calls in 2008. The number increased slightly, but there are more calls now included for medical reasons and motor vehicle accidents.

The firefighters present at the meeting identified three NRRFD members who are residents of Miltonvale Park: Steven Pickles, Bill Sigsworth and Gerald Compton.

The Fire Department is applying to the Island Communities Fund to renovate their upstairs and to purchase a generator. They would appreciate civic numbers being posted at intersections (i.e. 400s are east and 300s west). Their firemen are more than willing to come out to talk to the community about fire prevention, and would appreciate their Open House (October during Fire Prevention Week) being mentioned in the appropriate community newsletter. They are usually at the Fire Hall on Sunday afternoons and residents and families are invited to drop in and check out their equipment. If the community gets municipal water, they would suggest installing a hydrant at the fire training school.

The financial statements for 2008 were presented. Total assets of the fire department are \$563,615, with liabilities of \$318,708. Income, which is mostly from fire protection dues \$459,181, totalled \$460,981. Major expenses were amortization \$110,410, honoraria \$117,882, retirement allowance \$33,500, vehicle repairs and maintenance, gas and insurance \$29,780, firefighting supplies and equipment repairs \$23,897, interest on long term debt \$23,349, telecommunications \$18,638, heating fuel \$12,985, training, uniforms and travel \$11,591 and insurance \$11,499. The net income for the year was \$16,243.

They are budgeting for revenue of \$474,676 and expect to spend \$474,200. They increased fireman's honoraria from \$11 to \$13 per call in 2008, and are budgeting for \$120,000 for that expense. They did install an air vacuum and an elevator in 2008.

I hope to review the Rural Development Strategy to see if there is comments the community might consider: [http://www.gov.pe.ca/photos/original/FARD\\_RenewRPEI.pdf](http://www.gov.pe.ca/photos/original/FARD_RenewRPEI.pdf)

Post Secondary Students job funding– expected to hear end of next week. Hope to work with Park Committee to ensure applications are made to appropriate funding programs.

#### **Development Report:**

Approved Permit 3-2009 – for deck for Green Valley Farm Market –April 27/09

Investigating construction on Sleepy Hollow Road which is under construction without permit

Plan to approve accessory building on Rte 2 –power outage affected productivity April 27!