

**LISTOWEL FIRE STATION COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**WEDNESDAY, MAY 27, 2009**  
**7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Office, Committee Room**

Attendance: Doug Kellum, Jeff Bannerman, Julie Behrns, Ron Coghlin, Ed Smith, Ken Rea, Ed Hollinger, Steve Hardie, Kate Docker

- 1) Call to order – Chair Doug Kellum called the meeting to order @ 7:00 p.m.
- 2) Additions to Agenda – None .

*It was moved by Julie Behrns, seconded by Ken Rea THAT the agenda be approved as circulated.*

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 3) Declaration of Pecuniary Interest – None declared.
- 4) Review & Adopt Apr. 29<sup>th</sup> Minutes –

*It was moved by Ron Coghlin, seconded by Jeff Bannerman THAT the minutes from the April 29<sup>th</sup> meeting be approved as circulated.*

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 5) Business Arising from Minutes – None.
- 6) Delegation(s) – None.
- 7) Pros & Cons of Locating Fire Chief in Station vs Administration Building -  
Pros:
  - ability to respond to calls if officer doesn't show up
  - ability to have all doors open for calls – quicker response time
  - public perception that Chief should be there
  - more privacy for fire related issues
  - could have a larger officeCons:
  - need support when chief is out
  - travelling to Administration Building for meetings, etc.
  - less communication with Admin. Assistant, other staff and councilors

Chief's choice – pros outweigh the cons of being at the station, he can also keep a better eye on the day-to-day operations of the station.

- 8) Update on Possible Tours of Newly Constructed Fire Halls – Ed S. submitted a list of possible stations and he has contacted all of those on the list. All are in agreement to allow us the opportunity to tour. Ed was asked to set up tours for sometime in June and let the committee know what dates he is considering.
- 9) Other Business – Possible Partnerships – It was agreed that this discussion should take place 'in camera' but because of uncertainty as to which category it would fall under, it will be deferred to the next meeting.

Alternate Plan – It was agreed that it would be dependent on what happens with the other facilities if no funding is available, and up to Council to prioritize or opt for some way of partnering.

10) In Camera Session

*It was moved by Jeff Bannerman, seconded by Ken Rea THAT this Committee proceed 'in camera' at 7:42 p.m. to address security of the property of the Municipality or local board.*

**MOTION CARRIED**

*It was moved by Ed Smith, seconded by Ron Coghlin THAT the 'in camera' session is now adjourned at 8:12 p.m. and the Listowel Fire Station Committee reconvene into regular open meeting.*

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11) New Business – None

12) Next meeting – To be determined as per Ed S. setting up tours.

*It was moved by Julie Behrns, seconded by Ken Rea THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:15 p.m.*

**MOTION CARRIED**

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Chairperson – **Doug Kellum**

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Recording Secretary – **Kate Docker**

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