

MINUTES

LAND AMBULANCE SUB-COMMITTEE

to the

Joint Services Committee of Leeds and Grenville

Tuesday, January 6, 2009

9:30 a.m.

Council Chambers

**Counties Administration Building
25 Central Avenue West, Brockville**

The Land Ambulance Sub-Committee met on January 6, 2009 at 9:45 a.m. in Council Chambers, 25 Central Avenue West, Brockville, Ontario.

Members Present: Ron Holman, Bill Gooch, Larry Dishaw, Bill Thake, John Conley, Doug Struthers, Roger Haley, Jim Pickard, Mel Campbell, Frank Kinsella, Members of Counties Council
Dave Henderson, City of Brockville
Jim Garrah, Town of Gananoque
Suzanne Dodge, Town of Prescott,

Staff Present: Stephen Silver, CAO
Nigel White, Director of Corporate Services/Treasurer
Chief Dan Chevrier, Manager, EMS Division
Jane Patterson, Administrative Assistant (Recording Secretary)

1.0 Call Meeting to Order

Mr. Silver called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. and read the names of the members on the Land Ambulance Sub-Committee for 2009. Mr. Silver called for nominations for the position of the Chair of the Land Ambulance Sub-Committee.

Mr. Holman nominated Mr. Conley. Mr. Thake seconded the nomination.

Mr. Silver called for nominations a second and third time.

No other nominations were received.

Motion

**Moved by Mr. Pickard and seconded by Mr. Campbell
THAT the nominations be closed. Carried.**

Mr. Conley accepted the nomination.

Motion

**Moved by Mr. Holman and seconded by Mr. Thake
THAT John Conley be appointed Chair of the Land Ambulance Sub-Committee for
2009. Carried.**

Mr. Conley took the Chair and asked for nominations for the position of 2009 Vice Chair for the Land Ambulance Sub-Committee.

Mr. Struthers nominated Mr. Dishaw. Mr. Haley seconded the nomination.

Mr. Conley called for nominations a second and third time.

No other nominations were received.

Motion

**Moved by Mr. Struthers and seconded by Mr. Thake
THAT the nominations be closed. Carried.**

Mr. Dishaw accepted the nomination.

Motion

**Moved by Mr. Struthers and seconded by Mr. Thake
THAT Mr. Dishaw be appointed Vice Chair of the Land Ambulance Sub-Committee
for 2009. Carried.**

2.0 Review and Approval of Minutes – December 2, 2009

Responding to an inquiry, Chief Chevrier advised that he would not recommend donating anything other than used ambulances to the Fire Departments because other used equipment would probably not meet current standards.

Motion

**Moved by Mr. Pickard and seconded by Mr. Henderson
THAT the minutes of the Land Ambulance Sub-Committee meeting held on
December 2, 2008 be approved. Carried.**

3.0 Unfinished Business – No Report

4.0 Correspondence, Communications and Petitions – No Report

5.0 Staff Reports

**5.0.1 Monthly Call Report – November and December 2008 – D. Chevrier
(not available at time of posting)**

5.0.2 Fire First Response – December 2008 – D. Chevrier (not available at time of posting)

Mr. Chevrier reported that the data from the Province with respect to Items 5.0.1 and 5.0.2 . was just received this morning and is not accurate. The reports will be brought forward at the February 3, 2009 meeting.

Mr. Garrah asked if the Counties have ever done costing on fire first response. By a show of hands it was agreed that Chief Chevrier would coordinate with ~~Deputy Fire~~ Chief ~~Harry~~ Jones and compile a report consisting of man hours and all costs associated with fire first response and report back to this committee at the February meeting.

The members discussed the issue of dispatch and concerns were expressed with respect to the number of dispatches available in Leeds and Grenville and the significant cost to ratepayers to maintain them. It was suggested that the committee look at ways to improve the whole dispatch system.

5.0.3 Request to Purchase Used LP 12 Defibrillator Report – D. Chevrier

Chief Chevrier explained that the opportunity to purchase this defibrillator was presented after the cut off to be included in the 2008 budget. He advised that EMS is requesting [that](#) approval be given to purchase it prior to 2009 budget approval as it will result in a cost savings of \$20,000 and will complete the entire fleet.

Motion

**Moved by Mr. Struthers and seconded by Mr. Dishaw
THAT the Land Ambulance Sub-Committee recommends to the Joint Services Committee that approval be given to EMS staff to purchase one used LP 12 defibrillator at a cost of \$10,000 plus applicable taxes. Carried.**

6.0 New Business

6.0.1 In Case of Emergency (ICE) Program

Chief Chevrier explained the ICE Program and advised members of the information card EMS has created which can be downloaded from the UCLG website. A copy of the form is available upon request. The ICE Program involves adding an entry to the contact list of your cell phone under the label "ICE" with the names and phone numbers of those who should be reached in an emergency. Chief Chevrier advised a press release will be sent out in the next few days advising the public of this program.

7.0 Other Business – No Report

8.0 In-Camera – No Report

9.0 Next Meeting

February 3, 2009

10.0 Adjournment

Motion

Moved by Mr. Garrah and seconded by Mr. Conley

THAT the Land Ambulance Sub-Committee adjourns its proceedings until the next regular meeting scheduled on December 2, 2008. Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.