

## **HIRRA Fire Protection Committee Annual Report For AGM March 13, 2007**

In this past year, the Fire Protection Committee, jointly with HIRRA, have developed new Terms of Reference to guide the committee in its scope of responsibilities.

1) Financial accountability includes:

- Monthly review of expenditures.
- Discussion and input on large, non-budgeted items like the purchase of the water tanks this year, and a proposal to HIRRA to take to RDCS a benefit package for active roster members of the HIFD.
- Participation in the preparation of the annual and 5-year budgets.
- Review financial performance to budget.

2) The Terms of Reference also commit the committee to assist the Fire Department with special community projects that may arise from time to time and act as liaison with the community.

This policy statement in full is on the HIRRA web site.

Hornby Island Fire Department Operations functions, under contract with RDCS, as a unit independent of the HIRRA Fire Protection Committee. Our Firefighters are trained to a high level of competence, and are vitally important to the community and our visitors. The Fire Chief, as usual, will provide the department's annual report on Operations.

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