



# COMMITTEE REPORT

## EMO COMMITTEE

**DATE:** April 8, 2026

**Meeting Date:** April 7, 2026

**ATTENDEES:** Steve Johnston (Asst Dep. Fire Chief), Will Weston, Samantha Grant, Jason Vallis, Terri Parker (EM Coordinator/CAO-Treasurer), Sherri Johnston (Clerk/staff), Miriam Mercy (Administration/staff) via zoom.

**ABSENT:** Evelyn Fidler, John Johnston, Nick Sacobie, Mike Mockler

Meeting Called to Order- 6:00 pm

### **Review of Minutes:**

Committee was provided the minutes to review in their package. No errors or omissions were noted.

### **Fire Smart Preparedness Day**

The EMO Committee has received a grant through FireSmart Canada in the amount of \$500.00 to be used towards educating our residents on the benefits of using the FireSmart principles on their property. We will be setting up a booth for information on how the program works during Hanwell Days at the family breakfast and kids event. Miriam will put together a brochure and we will source some outside information for the program. We will host a contest where families can take photos of themselves working at making their properties Fire Smart.

We should be promoting the FireSmart Canada Neighbourhood Recognition Program which is designed to recognize neighbourhoods who take active steps to fire smart their homes. This is done through tracking volunteer hours. Neighbourhoods can receive grants to help support mitigation efforts.

### **Fire Watch 2026**

Fire Watch started two weeks early this year on April 2. The website Fire Watch is updated everyday at 2pm. Residents are asked to check the website daily before burning to ensure that burning is permitted. Green means burning is permitted. Yellow means burning is permitted from 8pm to 8am only and red means no burning is permitted, and this includes back yard fire pits. When the province has moved to red, we will make sure to post daily to remind residents.



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### **Other Business**

Samantha will be drafting up the tabletop exercise for the May 26 meeting. We will be starting this at 5pm and bringing in supper.

Our next meeting will be May 26<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.

### **Meeting Adjourned: 6:30 pm**

These meetings are open to the public with a report of the meeting placed on our website.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sherri Johnston, Clerk/Treasurer