

**Town of St. Albans
Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 17th, 2017
1:30pm**

Attendees: Al Voegele, Stan Dukas, Public Safety Administrator, Bob Cross, Town Manager, Carrie Johnson and City Manager, Dominic Cloud. Absent was Mark Leclair.

Public: "Rhett" Ray Heald, David Trainer and William "Billy" Lumbra.

Stan called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Fire Department Discussion

A. Voegele provided a history and framed up the idea of creating one combined fire department, anticipating increasing efficiencies with equipment and personnel. D. Cloud stated his concern for fire department support before proceeding. D. Cloud and the committee agreed to move forward with exploring the St. Albans Fire Department; one that would memorialize existing operations or what is already taking place on the ground now.

Mr. Heald, Mr. Trainer and Mr. Lumbra, speaking for themselves, expressed support for the concept but, stated they were not speaking for the entire City fire department at this time.

The next step is to have the Public Safety Committee and D. Cloud attend both City and Town fire department meetings to gauge support for moving forward. C. Johnson to coordinate this with both parties.

The new St. Albans Fire Department would consolidate administrative functions, remain legal separate entities and allow for efficiencies with personnel to prepare the fire services for future needs of the community. An operational consolidation delivering service to St. Albans.

Clarification on Apparatus

A "Quint" is a ladder and pumper truck. The City has a 100' Quint and the Town has a 75' Quint.

Schedule

The next meeting will be Tuesday, February 21st, 2017 at 1 p.m.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.