

**Gabriola Fire Protection Improvement District**  
**Annual General Meeting**  
**Wednesday, June 18, 2025, 7:30 P.M.**  
**Fire Hall No. 1, 730 Church Street Gabriola, B.C.**

The Annual General Meeting of the Gabriola Fire Protection Improvement District was held on June 18, 2025, with

- all six Trustees,
- Fire Chief and Deputy Fire Chief in attendance.

**Attendees:** Paul Giffin (Chair), Diana Moher, John Moeller, Charleen Wells, Erik Johnson, Ray Appel, Will Sprogis (Fire Chief), Jamie Ovens (Deputy Fire Chief),

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 pm by Chair Paul Giffin.

Charleen Wells gives the opening greeting, “The GFPID acknowledges that we are gathering within the traditional lands of the Snuneymuxw Nation.”

Chair Paul acknowledges the hard work and dedication of the firefighters and their families for protecting and serving Gabriola community.

Chair Paul thanks Charleen Wells for her service as Trustee.

The Trustees: Paul Giffin, Diana Moher, John Moeller, Charleen Wells, Erik Johnson and Ray Appel introduce themselves to the audience.

**Motion: Charleen Wells motioned to accept April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024, minutes. Erik Johnson seconded. CARRIED**

Doug Parkhurst, KMA was the auditor for the 2024 Financial Statement. He introduces himself to the audience.

He explains to the public why the 2024 audit was not yet complete.

- Staff turn over at the fire hall
- Delayed receipt of materials for the audit
- Shorter time period
- Additional requests for supporting materials
- Did not want to rush the report

**Fire Chief Report AGM 2025**

**Training Report.**

**Captain No. 1 Hall, Captain Elisha Bandel**

**Captain No. 2 Hall, Geoff Goodall**

Chairperson Paul asks Will to explain FUS commercial and resident ratings.

Fire Chief explains FUS commercial and resident ratings.

Fire Chief explains to the public to contact their insurance company.

Trustee Diana states that she saves 200 dollars in house insurance – so it counters the levy.

Audience members explains insurance states that FUS is like having a fire hydrant nearby.

**Motion: Wayne Mercier (landowner) motioned that Trustees Remuneration is set at \$0.00. Penelope Bahr (landowner) seconded. CARRIED**

**Motion: Diane Cornish (landowner) motioned that Anna Jones, Principal of Grant Doane be the auditor for 2025. Penelope Bahr (landowner) seconded. CARRIED**

**Motion: Erik Johnson motioned to recess the meeting at 8:48 pm until the votes were counted. John Moeller seconded. CARRIED**

**Reconvened at 10:55 pm**

**Election of Trustees:**

Six nominations were received for the three open Trustee positions. The voting for Trustees was between 12:00-7:00 pm.

Cheryl Hannebauer, Returning Officer, announced the election results:

The final count was as follows

Ballots cast 1035

Spoiled Ballots 3

Rejected Ballots 2

Oliver Bussler 764 3-year term

David Chorneyko 734 3-year term

Wayne Mercier 690 2-year term

**Adjournment:**

**Erik Johnson motioned to adjourn until July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025 John Moeller seconded. CARRIED, 10:56pm**

**Gabriola Fire Protection Improvement District  
Annual General Meeting Continuation  
Wednesday, July 9, 2025, 7:30 P.M.  
Fire Hall No. 1, 730 Church Street Gabriola, B.C.**

**Attendees:** Wayne Mercier (Chair), Diana Moher, John Moeller, Erik Johnson, Ray Appel, Oliver Bussler. David Chorneyko

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Chair Paul Giffin.

Presentation of the 2024 Audit

Doug Parkhurst, KMA was the auditor for the 2024 Financial Statement. He introduces himself to the audience

He explains to the public the following:

- Financial statements
  - o Gertie (lease – deferred revenue is noted) goes down year to year
- PSAC fundraising for EMR qualification removed
- Financial statement is free from material error
- Professional fees – legal, FOI and audit
- New commitment – signing a contract such as a new truck

Doug left at 7:40pm after question period ended

Chair asked people to send letters to the trustees with questions they feel might need to be addressed.

Hall #2, application is in to decide on ownership then we will move forward with maintenance decisions.

**Erik Johnson motioned to accept 2024 Financial Statement and audit as presented. John Moeller seconded. CARRIED.**

**Erik Johnson motioned to adjourn the meeting. David Chorneyko seconded. CARRIED, 8:11pm.**