

# Veterans Memorial Park Ensuring a Strong Future



In the minutes of Colchester Committee of August 12, which were presented and approved at the September 16th committee meeting the following was revealed following "closed camera session on August 12, 2021:

**Veterans Memorial Park** - Referring to a motion made at the August Presentation meeting to refer the request regarding the Veterans Memorial Park to staff, the CAO advised that the Recreation Manager would undertake an analysis and bring an item back to Council at a later date. The CAO asked Council if there was anything they would like included as part of the analysis. Discussion points noted for inclusion in staff's analysis were partnering with Dalhousie Agricultural Campus;

staffing and budgetary commitments with taking on this project; community involvement; and the Royal Canadian Legion being involved.

Representatives from Veterans Memorial Park made a presentation to council to seek ways to strengthen the organization as current volunteer members are getting older; some of the most dedicated volunteers have moved away. The Park, one of a few of its kind in Canada has garnered national attention, and the original volunteers want to see the park have strong infrastructure for ongoing long term success.

(*A more detailed summary of the August 12th presentation will be included in the November issue of the Shoreline Journal*)

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### Bible Hill Fire Brigade Celebrating 75 Years of Service

The Bible Hill Fire Brigade has been serving the community since 1946. More than just firefighting, the brigade provides essential community services including fire prevention and emergency training to over 5,000 residents. The Bible Fire Brigade is part of mutual aid working with Brigades from neighbouring communities on large emergency situations.

The Bible Hill Fire Brigade has a long history of proud highly trained volunteers giving emergency response for the needs of our community and recently added water rescue and Rapid Team Intervention (RIT) expertise.

Volunteers step up to answer the call.

#### HOW TO BECOME A VOLUNTEER

The Bible Hill Fire Brigade is an all volunteer based membership. Volunteers are female and male from diverse backgrounds with a wide range of skill sets and have the desire to serve the Bible Hill community.

#### VOLUNTEER EXPECTATIONS

- Commitment to weekly training sessions (20 weeks in a year)
- Response to emergency calls, summer, weekend duty
- Participates in community activities including fire prevention, community events and fundraising
- Regular attendance at monthly business meetings
- Adherence to Brigade By Laws and Standard Operating Procedures
- Respect for fellow firefighters
- Willingness to take a Basic Firefighter (BFF) Level 1 training program

#### MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- A resident of Bible Hill
- 19 years or older
- Physically fit (mandatory physical)
- Clear criminal records check
- Willing to provide drivers abstract

The Bible Hill Fire Brigade is currently accepting volunteer Junior members starting at the age of sixteen. For eligibility requirements please contact Dave Pearson.

To learn more about the benefits of volunteering with the Bible Hill Fire Brigade contact: Dave Pearson at [dave.pearson@biblehillfire.ca](mailto:dave.pearson@biblehillfire.ca) or [twitter@BHFS](https://twitter.com/BHFS) or call the Village of Bible Hill office and leave a message.

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