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Re: Comments regarding

Andrew Peat

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To: trustees@saltspringfire.com
Subject: fire trustees mandate!

Budget.

To the Trustees of the Fire Department:

It's my understanding that you were elected to do the following:

Review and analyze why our Salt Spring Fire department's budget is higher than any other comparable Fire department in the Province... and to reduce this budget!

Figure out how we can build a new Fire hall that is moderate in size and cost.

Investigate what has been taking place up until this point to see how we can become better at managing our Fire department and its budget.

I would like to put some thoughts forward for comments:

I see that you have managed to deliver a small increase in this year's budget, but is there no possible way to reduce the budget? We still don't have any money or a solution for our new fire hall.

At least a few times a month I am off island, driving around our province. On my travels I pass Fire halls of all sizes and designs. I hope when the time comes that Salt Spring comes up with a moderate plan to build our Fire hall.

It strikes me that over the years many of us haven't been paying enough attention to where our tax dollars are spent! We are all busy in our lives and guilty of this. We need to wake up and realize that something has to drastically change.

I believe we need to make some major budget cuts and put that savings into a kitty for our new Fire hall, if that means downsizing our number of full time, fully paid staff then perhaps that has to be. I see it as your responsibility to our community.

Thankyou
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