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COLERAINE & BOVEY JOINT COUNCIL MEETING

A special joint council meeting consisting of the Coleraine and Bovey City Councils was held on Monday, April 15th, 4:00 p.m. at the Coleraine Public Library.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Mandich at 4:13 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

A roll call was taken and members present were: Coleraine Councilpersons Joseph Pollard, Jeff Troumbly, Ryan Stish, Thomas Sutherland, Coleraine Mayor Daniel Mandich, Bovey Councilpersons Adam Hecimovich, Nancilyn Meyer-Nail, Deborah Trboyevich, and Bovey Mayor Robert Stein. Bovey Councilperson Bryan Johnson was absent.

There was much discussion about future funding of the Trout Lake Fire Department. Bovey Clerk Tara DeGuiseppi provided a synopsis of how the original percentage split was derived (based on a budget comparison). Coleraine Councilperson Stish indicated the recent review of fire calls over the last three years more accurately depicts where the expenses are and warrants the 60/40 split recommended by the fire board.

Frustration was expressed by the Bovey Council because of the lack of communication between the Fire Board and the Council previously. Bovey Mayor Stein conveyed that the Fire Board needs to provide better reports and can make recommendations, but that decisions must come back to the Councils for approval.

Bovey Council communicated that they wanted to keep the funding split at 65/35 until they can more thoroughly review TLFD budget and expenses and more thoroughly prepare for the 2020 funding year. The Coleraine Council was in agreement. The funding agreement will remain status quo for 2019, but will be reviewed for the 2020 funding year.

There will also be discussion on defining what capital expenditures are. The definition may be written into the Joint Powers Agreement. The Councils agreed to hold another joint meeting prior to September.

Coleraine Councilperson Stish, seconded by Pollard, motioned to adjourn the meeting at 4:40 p.m. Ayes: all. Motion carried.

Dan Mandich, Coleraine Mayor

Briana Anderson, Coleraine Clerk-Treasurer