

BYLAWS
Goodwins Mills Fire Department, Inc.

Article EIGHT
(Amendment 3,4,5,6, 7,8 and 9)
STANDING COMMITTEES

Section 8.1 Candidate Interview Committee:

R4,7,9) A. The Candidate Interview Committee (CIC) shall consist of five members. Four elected by popular vote of the membership for staggered three-year terms. The Fire Chief will appoint the fifth member.

B. The Candidate Interview Committee shall assist the Fire Chief in the processing of all applications for membership. This committee will report directly to the Fire Chief.

C. The CIC shall receive, review, and process all applications for membership as directed by the Fire Chief in accordance with Article 3 of these bylaws.

D. A quorum of three members must be present for this committee to conduct and interview with a candidate.

Section 8.2 Benevolent Committee

R8) A. The Benevolent committee will consist of Three members of the Goodwins Mills Fire and Rescue. Each Member will Serve Three years on this Committee. The Membership of the Corporation will elect the members of this committee.

B. One member will be elected to be chairperson of the committee by the members of the committee, before each annual meeting as stated in the corporation by-laws. The person elected will serve as the chairman until his/hers term on the committee is over.

C. The purpose of the Benevolent Committee: If any member of the Goodwins Mills Fire Rescue, or a member of his/hers family, suddenly becomes ill or injured so that the income of the family member is not sufficient to the families needs this committee will assist them any way possible to help make ends meet.

D. If there is a request by a member for assistance, the member will need to make contact with a member of this committee. This committee will request a meeting with the member of the corporation and the benevolent committee.

E. The committee will bring up the request to the membership of the corporation at the next business meeting. The corporation membership will vote on any request by the committee.

F. The benevolent Committee will assist any member, if the vote by the membership passes, in an amount not to exceed five hundred dollars. This will not be given out in cash form. The money will be used to buy groceries, help pay bills or any other assistance the member may ask for in the meeting with the committee.

G. In the event that an emergency is presented to this committee the chairman will speak with the chief of the department and with his approval along with the committees, we will assist the member not to exceed two hundred dollars. Again this money will not be in cash form.

Section 8.3 Budget Committee:

A. In addition to the treasurer, assistant treasurer, president and fire chief, three active members elected by popular vote of the membership will serve on this committee in three year terms.

B. This committee shall meet as required to determine the corporation's operating expenses and devise an annual operating budget.

C. The treasurer shall serve a chairman of this committee, and only vote in the event of a tie.

Section 8.4 Bylaws Committee:

A. This committee shall have three members elected by popular vote of the membership to serve three-year terms.

B. The committee shall continually review the functionality of the bylaws. Make recommendations for improvement of the bylaws and prepare amendments.

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C. Members of this committee must have a strong working knowledge of these bylaws. This committee shall perform interpretation of the bylaws as necessary.

Section 8.5 Nominating Committee:

R5) A. This committee shall be formed annually at the regular meeting in November. During a year requiring election of a fire chief, this committee will be formed in October. Additionally, this committee may be formed at any time when directed by the president, and serve through the election of officers.

B. The nominating committee shall prepare the ballot for the annual election. The ballot shall be posted in the fire station prior to the December meeting.

C. The Nominating Committee shall conduct the election.

Section 8.6 Committee Chair's and Reports

R7) A. Prior to each annual meeting, each standing committee shall select a chairperson. The chairperson shall make himself or herself known to the president.

B. At each regular meeting, and when called upon, the chairperson shall report that committee's activities to the membership.