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The Anarchist Mountain Fire Rescue Society (AMFRS) is a newly incorporated non-profit society under the BC Societies Act. As a non-profit volunteer-based society, it is structured so that there is no remuneration associated with work performed within the AMFRS.

Rationale:

The AMFRS was created to:

1. provide volunteer-based programs in support of Anarchist Mountain Fire Department (AMFD) for the benefit of the Anarchist Mountain community;
2. obtain charitable status to provide tax receipts to donors;
3. become eligible for government grants/ funding where possible; and
4. provide better control over donation funding.

The AMFRS anticipates being able to provide, in future, liability coverage for those working under the direction of the officers of the AMFD.

Mandate:

The mandate of the AMFRS includes, but is not limited to,

1. maintaining specialized technical rescue and medical first responder capabilities;
2. promoting and assisting with emergency preparedness and wildfire prevention within the Anarchist Mountain community; and,
3. enhancing and supporting the safety of the Anarchist Mountain community.

Tracking of Volunteer Hours

Volunteer hours will be tracked for reporting by each program, as well as to determine the 'in-kind' effort from the community when applying for government grants/ funding.

Membership:

The membership of the AMFRS includes the officers of the AMFD and the program leads for each of the delivered programs. The current membership includes:

1. Urs Grob, AMFD Fire Chief
2. Alex Giovannelli, AMFD Deputy Chief
3. Michael Arychuk, AMFD Lieutenant
4. Reg Forster, AMFD Lieutenant & Technical Rescue/ Medical First Responder Program Lead
5. Steve McNally, AMFD Lieutenant / Training Officer
6. Jim Gray, AMFD Lieutenant
7. Gerry Moran, AMFD Fire Fighter & Wildfire Prevention Program Lead

8. Wendy Barlow, Emergency Notification and Preparedness Program Lead
9. Debbie Dundass, Wildlife Safety Awareness Program Lead

Board of Directors:

The Board of Directors of AMFRS includes:

1. President - Michael Arychuk
2. Vice-President - Urs Grob
3. Treasurer - Alex Giovannelli
4. Secretary – presently vacant

Programs:

The programs delivered through the AMFRS for the benefit of the Anarchist Mountain community include:

1. Technical Rescue/ Medical First Responder – The Technical Rescue/ Medical First Responders have a mandate to provide emergency rescue and medical services to the residents of Anarchist Mountain, as well as to the public travelling through the area. The program in 2022 includes:
 - Team building through effective training;
 - Building on the knowledge-base of the team in vehicle extrication and rope rescue, through competency-based training to ensure proficiency in all rescue techniques. The annual training goal is 36 hours for the technical rescue team;
 - Building on the medical knowledge and proficiency of the team by continued monthly and specialized training. The annual training goal is 24 hours for each licensed medical first responder (EMA-FR or higher);
 - Ensuring availability of adequate equipment and PPE for training and response capabilities; and
 - Recruiting and training new members, as required, to maintain a strong team base in both Technical Rescue and Medical First Responders.
2. Wildfire Prevention – The Anarchist Mountain FireSmart Committee has a mandate to educate residents in the community on the protection of their homes and properties from wildfires. Residents are encouraged at the FireSmart events, and through home assessments, to follow the best practices developed by FireSmart Canada. There is also a long-term plan to develop a community wildfire prevention plan which will be beyond the current FireSmart Canada program. The program in 2022 includes:
 - Organizing an annual FireSmart Awareness Day;
 - Managing the Wapiti Pit for residents to bring yard waste;
 - Conducting FireSmart Home Assessments;
 - Rentals of tools for FireSmarting; and
 - Committee members being current with FireSmart Canada program changes through the attendance at training courses and seminars.
3. Emergency Notification and Preparedness – The Emergency Notification and Preparedness program (ENPrep) has a mandate to notify Anarchist community residents for any emergency alerts, evacuation orders, and rescinding of such orders, by area, as directed by the Fire Chief or designate as well as to educate residents on emergency preparedness. This program in 2022 consists of:
 - Maintaining a manpower structure of ENPrep volunteer area leads for 10

- designated areas;
- Maintaining a current notification database of Anarchist Mountain residents to be used by the AMFD in the event of an emergency; and
 - Providing proactive emergency preparedness education to residents prior to the wildfire season each spring.
4. Wildlife Safety Awareness – The wildlife safety awareness program has a mandate to increase the understanding and awareness within the Anarchist Mountain community on how to safely co-exist with wildlife. Education and awareness to minimize negative interactions with wildlife is paramount. The program in 2022 includes:
- Working in collaboration with the regional B.C. Conservation Officer Service and the RDOS - WildSafeBC Coordinator;
 - Providing education session(s) for residents to increase their awareness of local wildlife behaviour and how to co-exist safely and respectfully. This will include:
 - a. minimizing attractants and negative encounters, and
 - b. education on endangered species; and
 - Identifying the needs of residents for future education session(s) to safely coexist with various wildlife (i.e. snakes, cougars, coyote, deer, birds, etc.).
5. Neighborhood Watch – A future crime prevention program, to be determined based on assessment of future needs of the community in 2022/2023.

Program Leadership:

Delivery of each program is dependent upon a program lead being in place. Without this, a program will be put on hold.

Budget:

Budget will be determined based on the AMFRS’s ability to secure grants and donations with 100% of the funds being reinvested in our community to fund our programs.

Meeting Frequency:

The meeting frequency of the membership is as follows:

- AGM will occur annually in the fall.
- Membership business meetings will occur quarterly to update program objectives progress and for forward planning.
- Program team meetings will occur as needed through the program lead