



ALBERTA INDUSTRIAL FIRE AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION

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MISSION STATEMENT:

To promote awareness of industrial fire protection and emergency management by information sharing, joint problem solving to minimize damage, loss, and injury throughout the industry in the Province of Alberta.

2026 MEETING MINUTES

Theme: Turning Risk into Readiness

Tuesday September 15, Wednesday September 16, & Thursday September 17
Fantasyland Hotel / The Ranch Golf Club

Keynote Sponsor:	Transitional Solutions
Lunch Sponsors:	Ambipar Response and Rotaflow Controls
Coffee Sponsors:	Commercial Emergency Equipment, Firemaster Oilfield Services, Safetek Profire and Pro Rescue Services
Golf Reception Sponsor:	Rocky Mountain Phoenix
Golf Hole Sponsors:	Behr Integrated Solutions, Building Reports Canada, Commercial Emergency Equipment, Firemaster Oilfield Services, H2Safety Services Inc, International SOS Medical Supplies and WFR Wholesale Fire and Rescue

Tuesday September 15		Afternoon
11:30am	<i>Registration and Lunch</i>	
Welcome / Housekeeping / Agenda Review	President Marty Cuffe called the meeting to order at 12:50pm	
Membership Introductions	All members in attendance	
Acceptance ~ Agenda/Previous Minutes	Kerri Sinclair made a motion to accept the current agenda and previous minutes; Seconded by Scott Thompson; Approved	

Secretary Treasurer Report and Updates

- Bank Balance as of September 15, 2026, is \$65,549.39.
- Due to a lack of editorials and articles the annual AIFEMA Emergency Review was delayed until August 2026. A discussion was held with the members regarding the magazine and whether it was still viable. We will continue for another year with the magazine but emphasize that it is important for our members to contribute to magazine. Another review will be completed in 2027.
- Congratulations to Jeremy Rudrud, the \$50 winner of our first AIFEMA Emergency Review Magazine Cover Photo Contest!
- Website advertising opportunities for the 2027 year are available. There are five spots available for a cost of \$250 for 6 months or \$400 for 12 months. Please contact Kerri at info@aifema.ca if you're interested in a spot.
- The membership made a motion to remove the Lakeland College Scholarship. The members will make recommendations for annual donations to be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

Membership Information and Reminders

- Membership invoices will be sent out in late December for the 2027 dues, check your emails, payment must be made before March 26, 2027. If membership fees are not received, your company name and emails will be removed from the association by April 5, 2027.
- Before processing payment for your annual fee, please confirm with your department/company to see if your fees have been paid. Each time a payment is made through square, the association pays a service charge. If we have to refund you, we pay another service charge.
- Just a reminder to ensure all members are current within your membership. We have been getting quite a few undeliverable emails. It is not our responsibility to contact you to get updated information.
- Please add info@aifema.ca (alberta.ifema@gmail.com) to your acceptable email address list. We often go to your junk folder.

Registration Deadline, Meeting Numbers and Budget

- A quick update regarding the logistics and financial impact of our recent meeting. We had 103 people registered for various days during our three-day event. For our Thursday session, we had 101 registered attendees, but only 68 people were in attendance. Because the association is required to lock in meal catering orders two weeks prior to the event, we paid for all 101 registered meals. The total cost for breakfast, lunch, and coffee came to \$10,543.05 making the actual cost per attending participant at \$155. We completely understand that schedules change and unexpected conflicts arise, but staying accountable to your registration allows us to keep our meeting costs manageable and maintain our limited budget. The total cost of our September meeting was \$66,951.86, this does not include the sponsorship collection of \$11,900.00.

New Members Introduction	Welcome to our newest members: • Elite Emergency – Kris Liivam • Hog’s Tooth Consulting – Miles Moser • Mercedes Textiles Limited – Christopher Grey • NRCAER – Brenda Gheran • Unlimited Safety Services – David Ives
Elections / Out Going Executive	With the resignation of our President Jason Hughes, Marty Cuffe was moved into the President’s role. After discussion with the current executive, the decision was made to continue with our regularly scheduled 2027 election year. Marty Cuffe presented Jason Hughes with an executive thank you gift on behalf of the association. AIFEMA would like to thank Jason for his positive and influential role during his time (2023 – 2026) on the executive.
1:20pm Presentation	How Municipal-Industrial Cooperation Leads to Emergency Preparedness in Sarnia-Lambton Jeff Weber, Sarnia Fire Chief / Jason Vaillant, Bases GM
Coffee Break – sponsored by Commercial Trucks	
2:40pm Presentation	Wildfire Resilience: Why Industry Has a Seat at the Table Jared Opdendries, WUI Officer, AEMA
	Federal Signal Lights and Sirens, Risk Reduction in Emergency Response Steve Eddy, Evans and Co.
Coffee Break - sponsored by Safetek Profire	
3:50pm Presentation	FLIR Introduction James Gibson, Rocky Mountain Phoenix / Frank Slezak, FLIR
Adjournment	President Marty Cuffe adjourned the meeting at 4:30pm
5:00pm	Membership Meet n/ Greet L1 Lounge – Fantasyland Hotel

Wednesday September 16		Morning
7:00am	Networking Hot Breakfast / Registration	
Welcome / Housekeeping	President Marty Cuffe called the meeting to order at 7:50am	
Membership Introductions	All members in attendance	
8:00am Presentation	Harbours of Hope Dax Huba / Kevin Boyd ~ The Phoenix Foundation	
9:30am Workshops	• Mental Health with Eliot Hoppe • Practical Risk Assessment for First Responders with Greg Sargent	
Coffee Break – sponsored by Firemaster		
10:30am Workshops	• Mental Health with Eliot Hoppe • Practical Risk Assessment for First Responders with Greg Sargent	
Adjournment / Golf Tournament Preparation	Secretary Treasurer Kerri Sinclair reviewed details regarding golf tournament arrival and setup. President Marty Cuffe adjourned the meeting at 12:00pm	

Wednesday September 16	Afternoon
Annual Golf Tournament – The Ranch Golf and Country Club <i>Ron and Rich Sutter donated a signed hockey stick to raise money for a charity of choice. Steve Eddy was the successful bidder at \$750. AIFEMA will match this \$750. The members agreed to donate this money to the Calgary and Edmonton Firefighters Burn Units.</i>	
<i>Thank you to our sponsors and members for another successful tournament and thank you to our Golf Tournament Reception Sponsor, Rocky Mountain Phoenix</i>	

Thursday September 17		Morning
7:00am	Networking Hot Breakfast / Registration	
Welcome / Housekeeping / Call to Order	President Marty Cuffe called the meeting to order at 8:00am	
Membership Introductions	All Members in attendance	
8:15am Presentation	How Today's Risk Work Ensures Tomorrow's Compliance Kerri Holmes / Jay Hughes, Transitional Solutions	
8:30am Presentation	Intro to Process Safety and Risk Assessment Greg Sargent, TC Energy	
9:35am Presentation	AFCA Update Drayton Brussier, AFCA President	
10:20am Presentation	Certification Update Myles Tabin, Alberta Firefighter Certification Program Manager	
Coffee Break - sponsored by Safetek Profire		
10:50am Presentation	Alberta Provincial Committee Update Des Shubert, Suncor Energy	
11:10am Presentation	Safetek Profire Apparatus & Inventory Briefing Adam Croome, Safetek Emergency Vehicles	
11:15am Presentation	Persistent Organizational Readiness: Building the High-Performance Wildfire Organization Al Harvey, FastTrack Wildfire MGT	
11:30am	Lunch – sponsored by Rotaflow Controls	

Thursday September 17		Afternoon
Welcome Back	President Marty Cuffe welcomed the members back at 12:20pm	
12:30pm Presentation	Transitioning from PFOS Foam Fire Suppression to Non-Fluorinated Foam in Canada Mario Pernas, Fire Dos LLC	

1:00pm Presentation	Industrial Solutions to an Encroaching Wildfire Kris Liivam, Elite Emergency Management
1:20pm Presentation	Digital Reporting for Fire and Life Safety Inspections Amy Zourzouklis / Kevin Marsh, Building Reports Canada
1:30pm Presentation	Alberta Government Wildfire Update Connor Wollis, Alberta Forestry
<i>Final Remarks / Adjournment</i>	<i>President Marty Cuffe adjourned the meeting at 2:00pm</i>
<i>Next Meeting</i>	<i>The 2027 meeting will be held in Calgary. Location, dates and theme still to be determined.</i>