VILLAGE OF MIDWAY POLICY AND PROCEDURES MANUAL RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY STATEMENT FIRE SUPPRESSION AND PREVENTION

POLICY NO. 365

Goal: The Village of Midway will provide the community of Midway and its residents with an efficient and effective fire suppression and prevention service.

Purpose: To assist in the protection of life and property within the Village of Midway and the rural areas under contract with the Village of Midway against such perils as members of the community may be exposed to from time to time, balanced against the nature and quality of risks involved, the Village of Midway system of inspections is reasonable in light of all circumstances including budgetary limits, available personnel and equipment.

To ensure compliance with the Village's "Fire Prevention Bylaw No. 305." As well as, provide for the administration and enforcement of the Fire Services Act and regulations thereto, the B.C. and National Fire Codes and regulations thereto and the B.C. Building Code.

To control the use of buildings and the installation of equipment moved into the buildings in connection with their use and the maintenance of safe and satisfactory conditions for occupancy, escape and fire fighting.

Inspections: In accordance with Section 26 of the Fire Services Act. Refer to Policy No. 366 and Bylaw No. 305.

Village staff shall immediately notify the Fire Suppression and Prevention Department of the following incidents:

- accidents involving Village owned vehicles or equipment
- land or water rescues
- natural gas line breaks or leaks
- leaks or spills involving fuels, toxic waste and other hazardous goods or materials.
- downed power lines
- floods
- emergencies where the department can be of assistance to access or stabilize an unnatural situation.

Also refer to Public Works Policy No. 200, Section 9, "Volunteer Fire Dept."

Reviewed and adopted Council this 6th day of March, 1999.