The Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss



Staff Report

Report Title: Fire and Emergency Services Monthly Activities – July and August 2021

Prepared By: Chris Cleave, Fire Chief/CEMC

Department: Fire and Emergency Services

Date: Sep. 8, 2021

Report Number: FIRE-2021-09-18 File Number: C11-FIRE-21

Attachments:

Recommendation:

That the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report Number FIRE2021-09-18 prepared by Chris Cleave, Fire Chief / CEMC.

Background:

Fire Department/CEMC Administration

During the months of July and August, the following Fire and Emergency Services administrative tasks have been initiated, are on-going and/or have been completed.

- 1. All general administrative tasks with the day-to-day operations of the Fire Departments for the month have been completed.
- 2. The monthly activities for the Ripley-Huron and Lucknow & District Fire Departments are detailed below in the discussion section.
- 3. All Municipal Emergency Management Committee meetings have been conducted and the minutes have been recorded and filed.
- 4. In August the Fire Chief received notification from the Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management that Municipalities will not be granted an exemption to the annual exercise requirement in 2021 as they had received in 2020. As such the CEMC has informed the MECG, and an annual exercise will take place in September of 2021.
- 5. The Fire Chief submitted the required grant report to the Office of the Fire Marshal for the Fire Safety Grant funds that was received in July of 2021. The \$7200.00 was used towards the delivery of the NFPA 1002 Pump Operator Certification program. I am pleased to report that 12 members attended the program and all 12 where

successful in completing the certification course. We now have an additional 12 NFPA certified Pump Operators within our Fire Department staffing.

Discussion:

1. Fire Department Emergency Responses:

Ripley-Huron Station # 15-0 – July 2021

Incident Type:	Totals:
Motor Vehicle Collisions	2
Medical Assists	9
Rescue (Water)	1
Fire - Structure	1
Fire – Outdoor - Grass	2
Mutual Aid - Fires	4
Total Responses:	19

Lucknow & District Station # 16-0 – July 2021

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Incident Type:	Totals:
Medical Assists	2
Mutual Aid – Fires	2
Fires – Outdoor - Grass	1
Fire - Structure	3
Fire – Wind Tower	1
Vehicle Collision	1
Rescue	1
Public Hazard (Carbon Monoxide)	1
Public Hazard (Wires Down)	2
General Fire Alarms	4
Total Responses:	18

Ripley-Huron Station # 15-0 - August 2021

Totals:
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1
9

Lucknow & District Station # 16-0 - August 2021

Incident Type:	Totals:
Medical Assists	4
Fires – Outdoor - Grass	2
Fire - Vehicle	1
Vehicle Collision	1
Total Responses:	8

2. Fire Department Training/Meeting Sessions:

Ripley-Huron Station # 15-0 – July 2021

Totals:
1
2
10
1
4
1

Lucknow & District Station # 16-0 – July 2021

Session Type:	Totals:
General/Officer/Chiefs Meetings	1
Fire Practice	2
Emergency Training Course	10
Recruit Firefighter Training	1
Vehicle/Station/PPE Inspections	4

Ripley-Huron Station # 15-0 – August 2021

Session Type:	Totals:
General/Officer/Chiefs Meetings	1
Fire Practice	2
Additional Emergency Training	0
Recruit Firefighter Training	0
Vehicle/Station/PPE Inspections	4

Lucknow & District Station # 16-0 - August 2021

Session Type:	Totals:
General/Officer/Chiefs Meetings	1
Fire Practice	2
Emergency Training Course	1
Recruit Firefighter Training	4
Vehicle/Station/PPE Inspections	4

3. Fire Department Non-Emergency Activities:

Ripley-Huron and Lucknow Stations Combined

Activity Type:	Totals:
Fire Inspections (Incl. Follow Ups)	3
Fire Investigations	5
Open Air Burn By-law Investigation	2
Fire Permits Issued	20
Fire Prevention Activity/Plan Review	2
Pre-Incident Planning Activity	2
Public Education Delivery	0
Smoke/CO Program Activity	1
Community Event Participation	0
JHSC – Monthly Facility Inspection	1

Financial Impacts:

In relation to the capital equipment budget for the Ripley-Huron Fire Department. The original 2021 business plan contained a budget allocation of \$15,000.00 to upgrade our auto extrication equipment. It also contained another \$20,000.00 for other detailed equipment purchases. In going through the demo process for the extrication equipment we discovered that only purchasing half of the equipment package would not be as operationally relevant as we first thought. Because of this the Fire Chief has re-allocated the other approved equipment funds from the Capitol Purchases and will forgo purchasing the other budgeted equipment to allow for the purchase of a complete set of upgraded modern Vehicle Extraction tools. The total Cost for the upgraded extrication equipment was \$32,000.00. Specifically, we will not move forward with the purchase of the Fire Hose and Appliances, the additional sets of medical Coveralls and we saved a decent amount of money from the SCBA Cylinder project by having purchased the used Cylinder lot from another Fire Department through Gov. Deals. This purchase will not have any adverse affects on the Capitol Budget for the Ripley-Huron Fire Department. Additionally, once the members are trained on the new equipment and it is placed into service we would be able to surplus the older extrication equipment. I would estimate between \$5000.00 to \$10,000.00 in revenue because of that sale.

Strategic Alignment / Link:

We are an accessible community that offers opportunities for everyone by having services and amenities nearby.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Chris Cleave, Fire Chief/CEMC

Approved By:

Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer