

MONTHLY REPORT

То:	Mayor Strathdee and Members of Council
From:	Emergency Services / Fire Department
Date of Meeting:	27 June 2017
Subject:	FD 09-2017 June Monthly Report (Emergency Services)

RECOMMENDATION

THAT FD 09-2017 June Monthly Report (Emergency Services) be received for information.

DEPARTMENTAL HIGHLIGHTS

During the month of June the fire department responded to 15 emergency calls most notably:

- 2 calls for Water Rescue false alarms
- 5 Motor Vehicle Accidents
- 3 Activated Alarms
- 1 Car Fire
- 1 Tire Fire
- 1 Lift Assist/Medical
- 1 Unattended open air burning

This year to date 01 Jan 17 – 19 June 17 we have had 47 emergency response calls compared to 45 response calls last year from 01 Jan 16 to 19 Jun 16.

Tammy DeGraw, our Fire Prevention Officer, has conducted ten fire inspections, four follow up inspections, two Public Education sessions during the month of June 2017.

Exercise "Hail Mary" - Town wide live Mass Casualty / Hazardous Materials exercise conducted on Wednesday the 31st of May 2017 and it was a huge success. An After Action Report meeting will be held on the 23rd of June 17. This meeting will allow all stakeholders to speak about the positives and areas of improvement.

The St. Marys Fire Department is about to start taking the Perth County Fire Safety Trailer to local schools and events. The Fire Prevention Officer will take the Fire Safety Trailer to the Little Falls Elementary School on the 22nd of June 2017 where she will teach the children many aspects of fire safety including what they should do in case of fire in their home, what to do if they see smoke, how to identify fire hazards and to practice a home escape plan.

The Fire Chief and Fire Prevention Officer started to deliver a Portable Fire Extinguisher training program to a local industry. Over a span of three weeks and 6 separate courses we were able to train 65 personnel in the use of portable fire extinguishers. These courses were taught by providing a theory lecture and practical live fire extinguisher exercise. We plan to continue with this program by providing this training to other local industries as well as long term care facilities and Town employees.

OUTSTANDING ISSUES AND PROJECT LIST

 I have been approved to replace our old and outdated Self Contained Breathing Apparatus. The fire department is currently conducting testing of the top 3 name brands in the market. Phase one consisted of having the top three manufacturers and representatives (MSA, Scott and Dragger) providing theory and practical demonstrations of their equipment. Phase two is completed as the firefighters tested all of the equipment and reported on which models they preferred. I am currently drafting an RFP.

SPENDING AND VARIANCE ANALYSIS

- 1 beluga windshield cutting kit \$740.00
- Legion food & beverage bill for the Town Wide Exercise \$600

REVIEWED BY

Recommended by the Department

Richard Anderson Director of Emergency Services/Fire Chief

Recommended by the CAO

Brent Kittmer CAO / Clerk