

MONTHLY REPORT

To: Mayor Strathdee and Members of Council

From: Emergency Services / Fire Department

Date of Meeting: 28 November 2017

Subject: FD 15-2017 November Monthly Report (Emergency Services)

RECOMMENDATION

THAT FD 15-2017 November Monthly Report (Emergency Services) be received for information.

DEPARTMENTAL HIGHLIGHTS

During the Month of November (13 October – 17 November 2017) the fire department responded to 9 emergency calls most notably:

- 1 Motor Vehicle Accident
- 1 VSA
- 1 Barn Fire Mutual Aid Call from Middlesex
- 1 Lift Assist
- 1 House Fire
- 2 Activated Alarms No fire
- 2 CO Alarms

This year to date 01 January 2017 – 17 November 2017 we have had 95 emergency response calls compared to 89 response calls last year from 01 January 2016 to 17 November 2016.

Fire Chief has conducted two fire drills for a local long term care facility and 3 fire inspections.

St. Marys Fire Chief and HR have conducted interviews to recruit a Fire Prevention Officer.

The Fire Department has received 20 Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus from A.J. Stone. (21 November 17)

3 firefighters have completed an NFPA 1021 Fire Officer level I course that was held from 23 October – 3 November 2017. The course was 80 hours in total with a written exam.

OUTSTANDING ISSUES AND PROJECT LIST

The Fire Department will select two personnel to complete a "Train the Trainer" course offered by A.J. Stone. In turn they will instruct all firefighters on the use of our new SCBA's.

Fire Chief will arrange to have "Hot Zone" conduct Fit Testing on all of our masks.

Air compressor will have to be upgraded to accommodate two 4500 psi lines versus just one that we currently have. This will be conducted once all firefighters have been fully trained and qualified to use the new breathing apparatus. Until then our current Scott breathing apparatus will be used with the

2216 psi bottles. The cost to make adjustments to the compressor to upgrade to 4500 psi will be minimal.

- 18 Fire Department personnel have been course loaded on two on-line courses Legislation and Hazardous Materials Awareness courses starting on the 1st of December 2017. Both courses should take 60 and 30 days respectively to complete. These courses are offered by the Ontario Fire College and are recognized courses with the National Fire Protection Association. These courses have to be completed to meet minimum standards and to be compliant. Estimated Course cost is \$2,340 and we will be invoiced in January 2018. Plus Training Pay for 18 firefighters is \$4,957.38. This will be paid in January 2018.
- 3 Firefighters that completed the NFPA 1021 Fire Officer Level I course will be course loaded on a NFPA 1041 Fire Service instructor course in February 2018.
- 1 Firefighter has been course loaded on an NFPA 472 Hazmat Operation Level course in December. Course is to be held in Stratford.

Fire Chief will make arrangements to course load 19 Firefighters on a series of courses throughout the 2018 with an end result of them achieving their NFPA 1001 Firefighter Level II.

SPENDING AND VARIANCE ANALYSIS

3 Firefighters completing an 80 hour Fire Officer Level I course \$675. Plus training pay for 3 firefighters equals \$5490.30

REVIEWED BY

Recommended by the Department

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Recommended by the CAO

Richard Anderson

Director of Emergency Services/Fire Chief

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