

Staff Report

Administration – Fire Department

Report To: Committee of the Whole

Meeting Date: June 15, 2021 Report Number: FAF.21.100

Title: Fire Protection Agreement with Clearview Township

Prepared by: Steve Conn, Fire Chief

A. Recommendations

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.21.100, entitled "Fire Protection Agreement with Clearview Township";

AND THAT the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, Chapter 4, Statutes of Ontario, 1997, authorizes a municipality to provide and/or receive Fire Protection Services to or from other Municipalities;

AND THAT Council authorize staff to enter into a Fire Protection Agreement on behalf of The Town of The Blue Mountains;

AND THAT Council authorize the Town Clerk and Mayor to execute the Fire Protection Agreement on behalf of the Town of The Blue Mountains with the Township of Clearview as attached to Staff Report FAF.21.100.

B. Overview

The report details the proposed fire protection agreement to receive fire and rescue services from Clearview Township within a defined area of the Town of The Blue Mountains.

C. Background

The current agreement for fire protection from Clearview Township was executed in 2002. Over the past 19 years only a few properties have been added to this defined area.

D. Analysis

The proposed revised agreement would cover the same defined area of the Town of The Blue Mountains as the 2002 agreement with the addition of 1 or 2 new dwellings. This area represents 18 properties with dwellings or "improved properties". First responders from Clearview Fire Department hall located in Nottawa, are able to respond to this area significantly

more quickly than responders from the Blue Mountains Fire hall in Craigleith, due to the topography and distance travelled.

The proposed revised fire protection agreement provides the residents within the defined area a quicker response to have emergency personnel attend from Clearview Township, and if required, Blue Mountains will attend for additional apparatus and firefighters.

This agreement covers fire/rescue and tiered medical response for this agreement area from Clearview. Town of The Blue Mountains will provide fire prevention and public education as per the requirements of the Fire Prevention and Protection Act (FPPA).

E. Strategic Priorities

1. Communication and Engagement

We will enhance communications and engagement between Town Staff, Town residents and stakeholders

3. Community

We will protect and enhance the community feel and the character of the Town, while ensuring the responsible use of resources and restoration of nature.

F. Environmental Impacts

None

G. Financial Impacts

As per schedule II, the Town of The Blue Mountains agrees to pay the Township of Clearview the sum of \$65.00 per improved property in the area described in Schedule I. This amount will come from the Blue Mountains Fire Department operating budget.

H. In Consultation With

Clearview Township Fire Chief
Clearview Township CAO
Shawn Everitt, CAO
Will Thomson, Director of Legal Services
Serena Wilgress, Manager of Purchasing & Risk Management

I. Public Engagement

The topic of this Staff Report has not been the subject of a Public Meeting and/or a Public Information Centre as neither a Public Meeting nor a Public Information Centre are required.

However, any comments regarding this report should be submitted to Steve Conn, Fire Chief firechief@thebluemountains.ca.

J. Attached

1. Fire Protection Agreement with Clearview Township

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Conn Fire Chief

Shawn Everitt Chief Administrative Officer

For more information, please contact: Steve Conn, Fire Chief firechief@thebluemountains.ca 519-599-5411 extension 103

Report Approval Details

Document Title:	FAF.21.100 Fire Protection Agreement with Clearview Township.docx
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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

Steve Conn - Jun 9, 2021 - 11:51 AM

Shawn Everitt - Jun 9, 2021 - 3:28 PM