



TOWNSHIP OF NORTH HURON

REPORT

Item No.

REPORT TO: Reeve Vincent and Members of Council
PREPARED BY: David Sparling
DATE: 11/05/2016
SUBJECT: Tanker 8 Repairs
ATTACHMENTS: Quote for Repairs, Photo of Tanker 8

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby receive the Director of Fire and Emergency Services Tanker 8 Repair Report dated May 11, 2016; for information purposes.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Tanker 8 requires significant repairs due to construction/re-construction issues.

DISCUSSION

All fire service water tankers with metal tanks have a lining or coating on the inside of the metal tank. Tanker 8's lining is flaking off. This will reduce the life expectancy of the tank. More worrisome is that the possibility that the liner could be sucked up into one of our fire pumps and resulting in costly damage.

Tanker 8 was the lowest price vehicle purchased by the Blyth & District Fire Board and has been a source of continuous mechanical and functional challenges since its delivery and has been rebuilt once already.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The FDNH truck repair budget was increased by \$8,000 in anticipation of Tanker 8 needing some repairs. The level of repair required is more than anticipated and the final quote is \$13,900. This money may be found elsewhere in the budget depending on activity levels. Otherwise, it will have to come from the FDNH operating reserve.

FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS

Tanker 8 also has significant electrical issues. (emergency lights and the radio sporadically go out of service). We are hoping to find the solution to this issue in-house. If this is not do-able, FDNH will have to send it out for these repairs as well.

Tanker 8 is not scheduled for replacement until 2024 and our capital budget reflects this.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal 3. Ensure our community is healthy and safe.

David Sparling,
Director Fire & Emergency Services

Sharon Chambers, CAO