### THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HORTON

# **Protective Services Committee Meeting**

February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022 5:00 p.m.

There was an electronic Meeting of the Protective Services Committee on Thursday February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022, via Zoom. Present was Chair Lane Cleroux, Deputy Mayor Glen Campbell, and Mayor David Bennett. Public Advisory Members present were Spencer Hopping and John Purdon. Staff present was Fire Chief Allan Cole, Deputy Fire Chief Mike Fortier, and Executive Assistant Nichole Dubeau – Recording Secretary

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Campbell called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

#### 2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There was no declaration of pecuniary interest expressed by Members of the Committee.

# 3. MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

i) January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Moved by John Purdon

Seconded by Spencer Hopping

**THAT** the Protective Services Committee accept the Minutes of January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

Carried

Chair Cleroux was present at 5:10 p.m.

# 4. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT AND UPDATE

Fire Chief Allan Cole verbally presented the report. Deputy Chief Mike Fortier stated that he has been investigating the replacement of the 3/4 tonne truck and things are not promising for a 2022 replacement. He stated that the department is looking for a direct replacement of the current truck, which will have all the same capabilities, and when speaking with dealerships in the area, there are only personal use trucks that are more luxurious and fully loaded compared to what the department needs. Deputy Mayor Campbell questioned what the current 3/4 tonne needed to stay on the road and pass safety if a truck cannot be purchased/on-site until 2023. Mr. Fortier stated that there will be the annual inspection and maintenance in the upcoming weeks and will be able to update the committee after that. Chair Cleroux questioned if the purchase was reflected in the 2022 budget. Chief Cole stated that it is not in the budget, but it has been discussed with Treasurer Moore and there are enough funds in Reserves to be used. Chair Cleroux stated that capital projects should be in the budget papers for the February 22<sup>nd</sup> Public Meeting for transparency. He requested that Chief Cole discuss with Treasurer Moore and CAO/Clerk Dillabough to add the item to the budget. Chief Cole stated that there have been multiple committee discussions regarding the purchase of a new truck and was not sure why it was not in the final budget numbers. Mayor Bennett stated that the department working papers were not submitted to the CAO/Clerk and Treasurer by the deadline, or after, and was not factored into the budget. Chief Cole stated that he would discuss with Ms. Dillabough and Ms. Moore.

Chief Cole briefly reviewed the Community Risk Assessment proposal. Committee was in agreeance to move forward with a resolution because it was factored into the 2022 budget.

# Moved by John Purdon

# Seconded by Spencer Hopping

**THAT** the Protective Services Committee recommend to Council that the Community Risk Assessment be sole sourced to Emergency Management Group;

**AND THAT** this be funded by the Modernization Reserves and is already allocated within the 2022 Budget."

Carried

# 5. STAFF/COMMITTEE MEMBERS CONCERNS

Public Advisory Member Spencer Hopping questioned if a ¾ tonne truck becomes available, can the Township sole source. Chair Cleroux stated that the Procurement by-law states the Township must release a tender before sole sourcing, but if then nothing is submitted or over budget, then the Township could sole source. Fire Chief Cole stated that the Public Works Department recently did that process for the replacement for their ¾ tonne. Deputy Mayor Campbell thanked the Fire Department for their work at the rink preparing it for the season. Deputy Mayor Campbell and Chair Cleroux both volunteered their time if needed at the rink.

## 6. NEW BUSINESS

None

## 7. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting will be held March 17th, 2022, at 5:00 p.m.

## 8. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Cleroux declared the meeting adjourned at 5:42 p	.m.
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CHAIR Lane Cleroux	CAO/CLERK Hope Dillabough