



Municipality of Port Hope

Staff Report

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Report Title: Fire Marshal's Public Fire Safety Council Grant Funding

Report to: Committee of the Whole

Date of meeting: January 10, 2023

Report Author:

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Department responsible:

Protective Services

Report Number: PS-01-23

Recommendation:

Receive for information.

Highlights:

- Port Hope Fire and Emergency Services successfully received a grant from the Fire Marshal's Public Fire Safety Council (FMPFSC) for funding to purchase firefighter training and educational materials

Background:

The Fire Marshal's Public Fire Safety Council is committed to making Ontario the most fire-safe community in North America by developing open, innovative, and creative partnerships between members of the fire safety community and the general public to increase awareness of issues and to help shape policies, strategies, and legislation.

The objectives of the Council are: to promote fire safety throughout the province; to produce and distribute materials for public education with respect to fire safety; to provide or endorse training, education and fire prevention activities; to facilitate and co-ordinate the public exchange of information and ideas on matters of fire safety; to solicit, receive, manage and distribute money and other property to support the objects described; and to enter into partnerships and agreements with persons or organizations in the private sector or with public bodies or organizations to further the objects described; and to advise the Fire Marshal on matters of fire safety.

Discussion:

In 2022, the Port Hope Fire and Emergency Services (PHFES) applied for a grant with the FMPFSC for funding towards firefighter training and educational materials. On December 27, 2022 the FMPFSC advised PHFES that they were selected to receive funding as part of the FMPFSC Certification Grant.

This grant provides select provincial fire departments with funding to support the purchasing of firefighter training and educational materials to assist with the certification requirements as part of O. Reg. 343/22 (Firefighter Certification).

As a recipient of this year's grant, PHFES will receive \$2,531.10 to be used towards the purchase of educational materials offered by both IFSTA and Jones and Bartlett. The funds must be used by February 10, 2023 so that the FMPFSC can ensure proper audit of the grant before the end of its fiscal year.

Financial Considerations:

N/A

Communication and Public Engagement:

N/A

Conclusion:

In conclusion, the PHFES has received grant funding to support the purchase of firefighting training and educational materials that will assist the service with the certification requirements of firefighting staff which is required by Ontario Regulation 343/22.

Attachments:

Attachment 1- Letter from FMPFSC to PHFES