Memorandum to the Council of

Corporation of the Municipality of Temagami

Subject: TFD Monthly Report - May 2025

Memo No: 2025-M-136

Date: June 12, 2025

Attachment: None

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Recommendation

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives Memo 2025-M-136 as presented.

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Activations

• There were no activations in May

Training

- 4 practices in May, 1 equipment maintenance, 3 practices on Fire Hose evolutions, water stream application and Hydrant use.
- Finalizing our in-house Firefighter Exterior with Auto-X training program for submission & approval by OFM's Academic Standards and Evaluation (towards firefighter certification).
- S103 Forest Fire Training in progress, theory portion completed, hoping to reschedule the joint practical session with MNR fire crew in June (pending crew availability)
- Specialized Auto Extrication weekend planned for October (with MRFD) currently have sourced ½ of the minimum 12 vehicles required through donations (municipal tax receipt issued).

Fire Prevention

- Responded to 3 Burning Complaints this month, advising individuals of the Municipal Open Burning By-law requirements (daytime burning restrictions); 1 follow-up joint inspection with By-law officer regarding a property standards issue noted when investigating one of the complaints.
- 2 Fire Safety Plans reviewed, comments sent back to the proponents for revisions
- Working on scheduling of inspections at Youth Camps on Lake Temagami in June.
- Ongoing follow-up on compliance issued noted /identified during a December Fire Safety inspection; outstanding compliance issues past-due, currently working with the property owner.
- Fire inspection of the entire Municipal complex outstanding; including verifying 3 code contraventions noted during April 29th pre-fire/smells investigation have been rectified.

Fire Education

- 2025 Fire education workplan finalized. Upcoming events include Community
 Preparedness Day July 5th, Fire Prevention Week school presentation (October), and
 static display at the Pancake Breakfast with Santa, smoke alarm surveys in summer/fall
- Declined a request from a community group for a fire safety presentation at their July 5th event; scheduling conflict with our Fire Safety Community Preparedness Day event.
- Fire Smart Community Preparedness Day on July 5th to be held at the Community Market/train station area; working on finalizing details, with plans for a kid's activity event, MNR Fire Smart specialist presentation, Fire Smart literature, giveaways, fire department staff to answer questions & depending on the fire hazard at that time, MNR Fire Crew, & mascot.
- Temiskaming Speaker interviewed Chief Sanderson, subsequent article in May 30th
 Weekender "Property Owners Encouraged to be Fire Smart."
- Regular radio "fire safety" announcements on CJTT; monthly community newsletter fire safety messages, & posting fire safety messages on Fire Department Facebook page

Other

- Working on report to Council direction regarding needs/benefits & funding opportunities to develop a Community Wildland Fire Protection Plan. Province recent funding opportunity announcement not evaluated at time of staff report
- Water Fire Flow volume limitations with hydrants in Temagami North continue to be worked on to identify impacts of hydrant use to residential drinking water system.
 Results will help identify possible mitigations to address hydrant Fire Flow limitations in the event of a structure fire.
- Annual Apparatus Pump Testing completed, no issues noted
- Finalizing quotes, started purchasing of items requested through the Ontario Fire Protection Grant (helmets, hoods, gloves, cascade air fill line).

- Submitted proposed False Alarm by-law for Council consideration
- Submitted Temagami Fire department's proposed User Fee schedule for senior management consideration for future updating of the User Fee By-law.
- Council approved entering into agreement with Fire Marque, onboard training scheduled early June
- 2 Officer's meetings in May
- Chief attended Development Charge Initiation Meeting, North Water Storage Improvement meeting, 2 municipal Budget meeting, 2 Council meeting in May
- Chief attended a joint Dispatch Fire Steering Committee meeting (North Bay CACC & multiple fire departments dispatched by CACC); & a Nipissing East Parry Sound Mutual Aid meeting in Powassan
- Fire Underwriters Survey (FUS) reviewing our FUS insurance rating for the Municipality, ongoing – requesting Hydrant Fire Flow information to update their fire rating classification used by most insurance companies
- Review of the current Fire Protection & Education By-law #09-847 ongoing.
- Civic (911) addressing issues being worked on: 2 joint staff field inspections attended;
 1 new driveway/approved entrance permit on Fox Run, 911 number calculated
- CEMC meeting discuss EM training program and proposed program targets for 2025.
- Proposed updates to the Emergency Management Plan completed, to be reviewed by EMPC committee for acceptance prior to summitting to Council for approval.