



Corporation of the Municipality of Temagami

Memo No.
2018-M-051

Memorandum to Council

☐ **Staff**
☒ **Committee**

Subject: Business Sector Relief for Loss of Income resulting from Fire Situation

Agenda Date: **AUGUST 23, 2018**

RECOMMENDATION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receive Memo 2018-M-051 regarding the Loss of Income resulting from Fire Situation; AND FURTHER THAT Council accepts the recommendation from the Economic Development Advisory Committee that the Municipality of Temagami partner with our business community and take the lead in working with the various provincial ministries that may be involved in recovery efforts for the many aspects of our local economy that have been severely affected by this summer's fire activity.

INFORMATION

On August 2, 2018 municipal representatives participated in a conference call to discuss the various affects that the recent fires had and will continue to have on businesses in the area. There were a number of businesses on the call that are within the Temagami boundaries that were adversely affected in different ways by these fires. Many of our area's businesses rely heavily on the summer months to carry them throughout the winter and with our tourism season being so short, one month can be detrimental to these businesses.

Some of the businesses may have insurance that will cover the loss of income or partial income during these extreme circumstances and some may not. The Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH) offers a disaster relief fund that relates to tangible property and assets only. A representative of MMAH has informed staff that this fund does not cover income loss and nor are they aware of any that do.

Municipalities are restricted in what we can provide to the business community by sections 106 and 107 of the Municipal Act, 2001. Included in the restrictions is giving or lending money or guaranteeing borrowing.

Partnering with our business community the Municipality of Temagami could take the lead in working with the various provincial ministries that may be involved in recovery efforts for the many aspects of our local economy that have been severely affected by this summer's fire activity.

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