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# Staff Report FIRE2021-010

Title of Report:FIRE2021-010- 2021 Pumper 11 updateDepartment:FireCouncil Date:September 15, 2021

#### **Recommendation:**

**Be it resolved that** Council receive Staff Report FIRE2021-008 for information.

#### **Background:**

On Saturday August 28<sup>th</sup> returning home from a hay fire firefighters in pumper 11 could hear an off noise. After continuing down the road firefighters heard a loud bang and pulled the vehicle over to the side of the road. Firefighters tried engaging the fire pump which in turn stalled the truck out. After restarting the truck home they drove the truck back to the fire hall at low speeds as a loud noise could be heard if the speed climbed. The Fire Chief was then notified and attended the fire hall once available to assess. After determining it was a transmission issue the truck was towed to Steer Enterprises in Stayner by Allens Garage on Monday August 30<sup>th</sup>. Steer was chosen because of their size having 28 bays and fast service record with Clearview Fire and Emergency Services. Monday afternoon when the truck arrived at Steer technicians started diagnosing the issue.

#### **Staff Comments:**

Tuesday August 31<sup>st</sup> technicians diagnosed the problem to be the "drop box" where the bearing inside was destroyed and had to be sent to the city to be rebuilt. After receiving an update on September 8<sup>th</sup> Steer advised the fire department that the total cost would be approximately \$20,500.00 for the repair in total. There is no warranty coverage for the transmission on pumper 11 being it was purchased in 2011.

On September 1, 2021, Council received Staff Report FIN2021-027 reported that as at July 31, 2021 the Fire department was at a surplus of \$67,437.01. Therefore, the unanticipated repair should be able to be absorbed with the Fire department operating budget.

The West Grey Fire Department lent Dundalk Fire Department their 1995 Freightliner Pumper 1 on August 29<sup>th</sup> at no cost to allow Dundalk to continue providing the same level of service during the time of repair. We would like to thank our partners at West Grey Fire Department for their generosity which will not go unforgotten.

## Financial Implications:

The 2021 Budget anticipated \$22,000 for regular Truck Repairs and Maintenance. The current repair cost of \$20,500 was not anticipated.

However, the Fire department was at a surplus of \$67,437.01 as at July 31, 2021, so the unanticipated repair should be able to be absorbed.

## **Communications & Community Action Plan Impact:**

This report has been written and presented to Council to communicate accurate information to the public.

### **Concluding Comments:**

**1.** Staff recommends that Council receive Staff Report FIRE2021-010 for information.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dept. Head: Original Signed By Derek Malynyk, Fire Chief Official

Treasurer: Original Signed By

William Gott, Treasurer

CAO Approval: Original Signed By Dave Milliner, CAO

Attachments: None