



The Corporation of the Town of Tecumseh

Fire & Rescue Services

To: Mayor and Members of Council

From: Doug Pitre, Director Fire Services & Fire Chief, C.E.M.C.

Date to Council: July 9, 2019

Report Number: FIRE-2019-05

Subject: Town of Tecumseh Flood Response Plan

Recommendations

It is recommended:

That the Fire Chief's report FIRE-2019-05 regarding the Town of Tecumseh Flood Response Plan **be received** as information;

And that the Town of Tecumseh Flood Response Plan attached to report FIRE-2019-05 **be adopted**.

Background

Ontario municipalities are required to have an Emergency Management Program pursuant to the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act, 1990 (Act)* and Regulation 380/04. The Act also requires municipalities to adopt emergency response plans to describe the method by which the municipality and its agencies will respond to an emergency. These documents tend to be general in nature and based on an "all-hazards" approach, and municipalities may develop plans to respond to specific types of emergencies.

Areas and neighbourhoods in the Town of Tecumseh can experience flooding throughout the year. Emergency flood response is managed primarily by local authorities. As required, the provincial emergency management structure will activate to support local authorities.

Comments

The Town of Tecumseh Flood Issues Management Group (FIMG) was formed following a presentation by the Essex Region Conservation Authority (ERCA) to Town Council on May 14, 2019. This presentation created an awareness that plans should be put in place now for possible flooding as soon as June and July of 2019. This subgroup would be able to provide information and direction to an Emergency Operation Centre (EOC) if opened in response to a flood emergency. The aim of this plan is to allow for a more coordinated response to an emergency arising from a flood. The members of the FIMG consist of the Chief Administrative Officer, the Fire Chief, Director Public Works and Environmental Services, Director Parks and Recreation, Manager Strategic Initiatives and Manager Roads and Fleet, with support by the Clerk II Administrative staff in Fire Services. This group, together with other key members of the Community Control Group, will commence detailed flood preparedness planning on approval of the attached plan by Council.

Given the imminent nature of possible flooding in the Town, Administration recommends Council approval of the attached plan at this time.

Consultations

Chief Administrative Officer
Public Works & Environmental Services
Essex Region Conservation Authority (ERCA)

Financial Implications

None at this time.

Link to Strategic Priorities

Applicable	2017-18 Strategic Priorities
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Make the Town of Tecumseh an even better place to live, work and invest through a shared vision for our residents and newcomers.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ensure that the Town of Tecumseh’s current and future growth is built upon the principles of sustainability and strategic decision-making.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Integrate the principles of health and wellness into all of the Town of Tecumseh’s plans and priorities.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Steward the Town’s “continuous improvement” approach to municipal service delivery to residents and businesses.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Demonstrate the Town’s leadership role in the community by promoting good governance and community engagement, by bringing together organizations serving the Town and the region to pursue common goals.

Communications

Not applicable

Website

Social Media

News Release

Local Newspaper

This report has been reviewed by the FIMG and recommended for submission by the Chief Administrative Officer.

Reviewed by:

Doug Pitre
Director Fire Services & Fire Chief, C.E.M.C.

Recommended by:

Margaret Misek-Evans, MCIP, RPP
Chief Administrative Officer

Attachment Number	Attachment Name
1	Town of Tecumseh Flood Response Plan