

Municipality of Lakeshore – Report to Council

Community Health and Safety

Fire Services



To: Mayor & Members of Council
From: Jeff Pulleyblank – Acting Fire Chief
Date: April 22, 2024
Subject: Lakeshore Fire Services Rescue 1 Vehicle Replacement

Recommendation

Approve the purchase of a new fire rescue truck from CET Rescue Trucks through Darch Fire Equipment -1200 degrees for \$285,000; as approved in the 2024 Capital Budget Item Fire-24-6673; and

Return the additional capital funding of \$95,000 back to the Fire Department Fleet and Equipment Reserves to support future lifecycle replacement of additional vehicles, all as presented at the May 14, 2024 Council meeting.

Strategic Objectives

3b) Modernizing and Enhancing Municipal Functions - Revise business processes to establish and employ a risk management framework, improved workflow management, and financial modelling to inform management of reserves

Background

In the 2024 Capital budget, Council approved \$380,000 to replace the 26-year-old rescue truck at Station 1.

The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) created a program called LAS in 1992 which is a preferred provider of competitively priced business services for Ontario municipalities. That list of preferred providers includes fire truck manufacturers.

Comments

Administration has consulted with Three manufacturers and provided them with a list of fire truck specifications matching our requirements for this vehicle. Two manufacturers provided pricing with Darch Fire Equipment being the better product at the least cost.

Currently, the manufacturer is tentatively holding a purchase option for a 2025 Ford F550 with a rescue/utility box for the Lakeshore Fire Department subject to Council approval. It should be noted that lead times on special order fire apparatus can take as long as 2 years. It is rare to find equipment in a ready to deliver state.

Administration recommends proceeding with the procurement of this vehicle as permitted by section 3.12 of the Purchasing Policy which states as follows:

3.12 Cooperative Purchasing

- a) The Town may participate with other government agencies or public authorities in cooperative purchasing where it is in the best interests of the Town to do so and where the purposes, goals and objectives of this policy are complied with by such government agencies and public authorities.
- b) The policies of the government agencies or public authorities calling the cooperative Bid Solicitation are to be the accepted policy for that particular purchase.

The final cost in the recommendation also includes items required after production to outfit the truck to meet the needs of our fire service. Some of those additions include:

- Changeover of Emergency Lighting to meet the Ontario Emergency Vehicle standards allowing for blue and red lighting.
- In-cab helmet holders (can't wear helmets when the vehicle is in motion).
- Radio equipment installation, this will include portable and marine radios.
- Vehicle decal identification

Financial Impacts

The following is a summary of the financial impact of completing the purchase of Lakeshore Fire Service Rescue 1:

Item	Total tender Amount (excluding HST)	Total tender Amount (including applicable HST)
Lakeshore Fire Service Rescue 1	\$260,000	\$264,576
Additional outfitting	\$15,157	\$15,424
Total	\$275,157	\$ 280,000
2023 Budget		\$380,000
Difference (over)/under		\$95,000

Report Approval Details

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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Approved by the Corporate Leadership Team