

Request for Decision United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria Council

Type of Decision									
Meeting Date	Friday, December 11, 2015				Report Date	Tuesday, December-08-15			
Decision Required	X	Yes		No	Priority	X	High		Low
Direction	X	Information Only			Type of Meeting	X	Open		Closed

Adopt Emergency Management Program and Plan- Report #11/12/15/1002

Subject:

Council approval of the Emergency Management Program and Plan as reviewed at the Municipal Control Group Meeting of December 4, 2015.

RECOMMENDATION:

That this resolution be adopted as discussed at the meeting of the Municipal Control Group of Friday, December 4, 2015.

WHEREAS the Municipal Control Group has met, received the required annual training, reviewed the Emergency Management Plan, suggested some cosmetic revision, and program amendments on Friday, December 4, 2015;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law Number 2015-23 being a by-law to adopt the Emergency Management Plan and Program be read a first time short and passed and authorizes staff to complete required compliance paperwork.

BACKGROUND/EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

From the By-Law....

“**AND WHEREAS** the Act authorizes employees of a community to respond to an emergency in accordance with the emergency response plan where an emergency exists but has not yet been declared to exist;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria enacts as follows:

1. **THAT** the Emergency Plan dated October 2012, reviewed on December 4, 2015 is hereby approved and adopted;
2. **THAT** updates and/or corrections be made to the appendices by staff as discussed at the meeting of December 4, 2015;
3. **THAT** an exercise and training occurred on December 4, 2015;

4. **THAT** By-Law No. 2012-26 is hereby repealed;
5. **THAT** this by-law comes into force on the day of final reading.

Further notations made which require follow up include:

1. Determine who patrols Highway 17 when it is closed? MTO, OPP, EMS? Us? If/when they can't we need to as we all know that "closed" does not necessarily mean closed.
2. If phones are out – OPP have traditionally contacted Terry by dropping by his house.
3. For 2016 public education and information – include the message that during any type of long term power outages, emergencies we will use *96 to broadcast emergency messages if that service is available.
4. Resend a door to door advert asking for info on those who might not be self sufficient during a long term power outage – heat etc.
5. Research battery packs, phone rechargers, battery operated radio and flashlights for kits.
6. Investigate the use of cell phones for emergency text messaging?
7. CB radio – distance, availability of use during emergency.
8. Require a review of our volunteer assessors, training etc. in early 2016.
9. Coordinated exercise for 2016 with full set up – all players, volunteers etc.

Policy Impact:

As per policy.

Others Consulted:

Municipal Control Group and volunteers.

Approved and Recommended by the Clerk

Melinda Reith,
Municipal Clerk

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