

Type of Decision									
Meeting Date	Friday, Sept. 9, 2011				Report Date	Wednesday, Sept. 7, 2011			
Decision Required	X	Yes		No	Priority	X	High		Low
Direction	x	Information Only			Type of Meeting	X	Open		Closed
REPORT TITLE									
Auto-Ex Agreement Report 09/09/11/1101									

Subject: Status of the Auto-Ex Agreement.

**RECOMMENDATION:** That this resolution be adopted approving the discontinuation of participation in the Auto-Ex agreement with the Town of Deep River and the Town of Laurentian Hills.

**WHEREAS** section 23 of the joint agreement dated 11<sup>th</sup> March 2010 states that “any of the municipalities shall be entitled to withdraw from this agreement and the operation or the said “North Renfrew Emergency Response Unit” upon giving to the other municipalities sixty (60) days notice in writing of their intention to do so.”

**AND WHEREAS** it further states that “Upon withdrawal from this agreement, that municipality forfeits all of its interest in the unit and in any monies that may be set aside for unit.”

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria does hereby direct the Clerk to provide notice to the Town of Deep River and the Town of Laurentian Hills explaining that effective December 31, 2011 the Municipality of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria does no longer wish to participate in the “North Renfrew Emergency Response Unit” and forfeits all interest in the unit or in any monies set aside for the operation of the unit.

**BACKGROUND/EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:** As per direction of Council at the meeting of August 12, 2011 I have researched our current agreement and found:

1. That with 60 days' notice the municipality may withdraw participation;
2. That the agreement signed March 11, 2010 commits to contributing \$800 per year for the years 2010 to 2013 inclusively;
3. That we currently have \$2,400 in reserves for the purposes of the Emergency Vehicle;
4. That as per the following email sent from Dan Koroscil our then representative from the Office of the Fire Marshal we are not obligated to provide this service to the public.

“Hi Kevin - Melinda Reith asked about this issue a while back.

Head, Clara & Maria are not part of mutual aid therefore they are not obliged to continue participating in the auto extrication agreement with Deep River and Laurentian Hills under the Rescue Committee because they have no fire department.

If you and Deep River want to cover only within your municipal boundaries you can change the agreement to say that and advise dispatch there is no coverage in Head, Clara & Maria.

There is no longer any funding support for highway response so there is no obligation to service outside your municipal boundaries and some departments are taking that stand or you can

continue as in the past to cover the highway and just charge MTO or the insurance company directly to recover your costs.

Hope this helps to clarify the issue

Regards  
Dan

----- Original Message -----

From: Kevin Waito <[fire\\_lh@town.laurentianhills.on.ca](mailto:fire_lh@town.laurentianhills.on.ca)>

To: Koroscil, Dan (JUS)

Sent: Thu Mar 11 20:23:22 2010

Subject: auto ex

Dan

I attended a tri council meeting tonight with Head Clara and Maria, Deep River and Laurentian Hills. One of the municipalities asked the question of Chief Hogue and I what the legalities of opting out of auto extrication were. We did not have an answer I was wondering if you knew or could steer me in the right direction to get the answer.

Yours in Fire Safety  
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Financial Implications/Budget Impact: Savings will be minimal – likely less than \$1,000 per year.

Policy Impact: Changes current policy.

Other's Consulted: Dan Koroscil (in 2010)

Approved and Recommended by the Clerk

Melinda Reith,

Municipal Clerk

*Melinda Reith*