THE MUNICIPALITY OF LAMBTON SHORES

Report CL 15-2024 Council Meeting Date: July 16, 2024

TO: Mayor Cook and Members of Council

FROM: Stephanie Troyer-Boyd, Director of Corporate Services

RE: North Middlesex Fire Services Agreement

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Report CL 15-2024 titled "North Middlesex Fire Services Agreement" be received; and

THAT By-Law 58 of 2024 be approved.

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to present to Council a Fire Services Agreement with the Municipality of North Middlesex to provide fire protection to an area within that municipality.

BACKGROUND

Lambton Shores and North Middlesex staff entered into informal discussions late in 2023 for Lambton Shores to provide fire services to an area of North Middlesex abutting Lambton Shores. Lambton Shores had previously provided protection to this same area of North Middlesex through a Fire Protection Agreement but that agreement expired in 2016. The agreement presented for execution has been approved by North Middlesex and contains the same terms as the existing agreement with the Township of Warwick.

The proposed agreement provides fire protection to North Middlesex residents in the area between Bingo Rd and County Rd 81 and the Ausable River and Townsend Line. There are also three properties on Watson Rd covered by this agreement. The agreement is for a 5-year term ending December 31, 2028. North Middlesex will pay a flat rate of \$126.64 per household (2024) for this service, plus the Ministry of Transportation Rate (\$559.86 per hour) for any Lambton Shores apparatus that responds. There are fifty-five households in the identified area.

ALTERNATIVES TO CONSIDER

No alternatives are being presented.

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

Staff recommend the agreement with Municipality of North Middlesex for fire protection services be approved.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Under the agreement, North Middlesex will pay Lambton Shores \$ 126.64 per household in 2024; there are 58 households in the area.

CONSULTATION

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