

The Corporation of the Town of LaSalle

To: Mayor and Members of Council

Prepared by: Director of Fire Service/Fire Chief, Ed Thiessen

Department: Fire Service

Date of Report: July 2, 2025

Report Number: FIRE-2025-05

Subject: Renewal and Update of the Medical Tiered Response Agreement with Essex-Windsor EMS

Recommendation

That the report of the Director of Fire Service/Fire Chief dated July 2, 2025 (FIRE-2025-05) regarding the Renewal and Update of the Medical Tiered Response Agreement with Essex-Windsor EMS be received;

And that, By-law 8119 be rescinded; and By-law 2025-067 be adopted at the bylaw stage of the agenda.

Report

The LaSalle Fire Service has participated in the Medical Tiered Response program with Essex-Windsor EMS for several years. This participation and collaboration enhances emergency medical response capabilities throughout the region. The Medical Tiered Response Agreement has recently undergone a comprehensive review and update by Essex-Windsor EMS and participating Windsor-Essex County fire services.

The updated Medical Tiered Response Agreement introduces several key changes while maintaining the core response framework. Notable updates include clearer legal language and mutual indemnity clauses, an increase in annual defibrillator funding from \$1,000.00 to \$1,500.00, and a requirement for electronic reporting of Medical Assist Reports within twenty-four (24) business hours. The definitions and response criteria for incidents for Motor Vehicle Collisions and Industrial Accidents have been clarified, and training requirements now include annual Essex-Windsor EMS led "Train the Trainer" sessions. Supply replacement procedures have also been updated, with a focus on compatibility with Zoll equipment and stricter expiry-replacement timelines.

Additionally, each Fire Service must designate a Liaison Officer, and the agreement now includes structured automatic annual renewal and withdrawal provisions.

Consultations

The County Fire Chiefs and the Essex-Windsor EMS Chief.

Financial Implications

Not applicable.

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Link to Strategic Goals

- 1. Enhancing organizational excellence Yes
- 2. Strengthen the community's engagement with the Town Not Applicable
- 3. Grow and diversify the local economy Not Applicable
- 4. Build on our high-quality of life Yes
- 5. Sustaining strong public services and infrastructure Yes

Communications

Not applicable.

Report Approval Details

| Document Title: | Renewal and Update to the Medical Tiered Response Agreement with Essex-Windsor EMS.docx |
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| Attachments: | Medical Tiered Response Agreement - Final Version 2025.pdf By-Law 2025-067 Medical Tiered Response Agreement - Final Version .pdf |
| Final Approval Date: | Jul 2, 2025 |

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

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Chief Administrative Officer

Joe Milicia