

## WEST HANTS REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY REPORT

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**To:** Mayor Zebian and members of Council

**Submitted by:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Carlee Rochon, Director, Financial Services

**Date:** April 28, 2026

**Subject:** Brooklyn Fire – Rescue 11 Replacement

### LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

*Municipal Government Act (MGA) – Part IV (Finance)*

### RECOMMENDATION or DECISION REQUEST

That Council approve a contingency of \$25,000 for the fire apparatus replacement for Brooklyn Fire Station, utilizing the insurance proceeds with any remaining amount coming from the Fire Equipment Reserve.

### BACKGROUND

The purpose of this report is to request Council's approval to add a \$25,000 contingency to the replacement of Brooklyn Fire Station - Rescue 11, following an accident on January 26, 2026.

*Figure 1 - Rescue 11 following accident*



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## DISCUSSION

The 2016 Dodge Ram 3500 converted into a fire apparatus was deemed a total loss, following an accident on January 26, 2026. After the deductible and the removal of the rebated portion of HST, the proceeds from insurance will be \$104,077.29.

As the replacement process has progressed, updated cost estimates reflect higher pricing and related to the specific configuration requirements of fire apparatus. To ensure the project can proceed without delay, an additional contingency of \$25,000 is recommended.

## NEXT STEPS

Reach out to the Chief to begin the replacement process and finalized the claim with the insurance company.

## FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The proposed \$25,000 contingency will be funded through the Fire Equipment Reserve for any costs not covered by insurance. Up to a maximum of \$130,000 for the total replacement of Rescue 11.

No impact to the operating budget is anticipated.

## ALTERNATIVES

- Council could choose not to approve the contingency. Not recommended by staff
- Council could choose a different funding source.

## ATTACHMENTS

## CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REVIEW

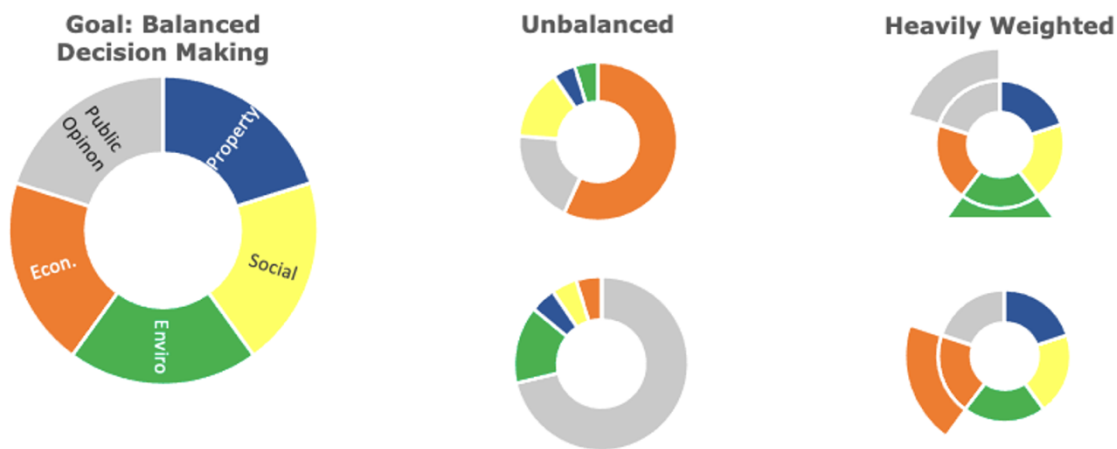
The incident occurred on January 26, 2026. An internal reviewed was conducted by members of the BFD Safety Committee reflecting the call details, driver performance and conduct, internal policies with resulting corrective actions and recommendations. Serious injuries were avoided and the accident was isolated to the BFD vehicle.

I have been engaged with Brooklyn Fire Chief, Brett Tetanish and Director Rochon for background regarding the truck replacement, accessories and cost estimates. The truck replacement will replace the lost unit plus accessories that were damaged and does not include upgrades. Labour associated with reassembling existing accessories and components (truck

cap, radio, lights, etc...) as well as vehicle wrapping and branding will be the leading items requiring the contingency amount.

I support the recommendation.

*Council has been provided with a reference taken from the Meeting and Committee Procedural Policy , Appendix C “Decision Making by Council and Committee of the Whole” as a reminder of the principles highlighted for good decision making.*



Report Prepared by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Carlee Rochon, Director, Financial Services

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Report Approved by:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Mark Phillips, Chief Administrative Officer