



Date: July 23, 2025
To: Municipal Council
cc: Kim Ramsay, Chief Administrative Officer
From: Councillor Michael Perry, Fire Advisory Committee Chair
RE: Fire Advisory Committee Report to Municipal Council

The Committee held its regular meeting on July 3, 2025. The following motions are coming forward as a result of that meeting.

1. FIRE DEPARTMENT REGISTRATIONS

The Committee was informed that 13 of 14 registrations (Brooklyn Volunteer Fire Department is outstanding) have been received and that they are all compliant. It was mentioned that all departments have indicated that there may be times when there are limited members available for responding to calls. It was also noted that the form asks only about water rescue capabilities and does not break it out into the different types. Discussion took place around whether or not to do this. It was suggested that the chiefs should have some input before a decision is made. It was agreed that it would be added to the agenda for the next chiefs meeting.

The Fire Advisory Committee recommends to Council that Council approve the fire department registrations received to date and that Council be authorized to look at the Brooklyn registration when it comes in without having to call a special meeting of the Fire Advisory Committee.

As Chair of the committee, I so move.

2. FIRE RECORDS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

The Committee received an update on the replacement of records management software used by the Province. The current system is almost at its end of life and consultants have been hired to procure a new system. The project team met with the AMANS Records Management Committee and may look to the AMANS to assist with rolling it out to municipalities and fire departments that choose to use the new system.

3. FSANS FIRE SERVICE REVIEW ENGAGEMENT

The Committee was informed that the Province has given the Fire Service Association of NS a grant to complete a high level fire service review. The engagement plan has been released and a meeting will happen in East Hants in late July. Online surveys are available now.

As Chair of the committee, I move the adoption of this report.