

CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF MERRICKVILLE - WOLFORD

BY-LAW NO. 03 - 16

BEING a By-Law to authorize the execution of an agreement between the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville - Wolford hereinafter called "The Municipality" **AND** the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville hereinafter called "the County" with respect to the participation of the Municipality's fire department in tiered response for medical emergencies

WHEREAS section 9(3) of the New Municipal Act, 2001 does authorize that the council of a local municipality may pass by-laws as part of its general municipal powers

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville - Wolford does deem it expedient to enter into an agreement with the County with respect to the participation of the Municipality's fire department in tiered response for medical emergencies

NOW THEREFOR the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville - Wolford does enact as follows that:

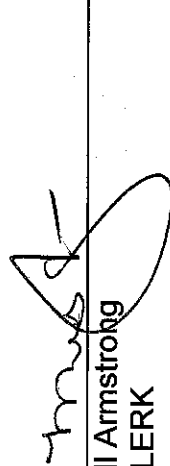
- 1) The Corporation of the Village of Merrickville - Wolford enter into an Agreement with the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville for the participation of the Municipality's fire department in tiered response for medical emergencies, and that the said agreement shall be known as Schedule "A" attached hereto to this By-law.
- 2) The Mayor and the Clerk and/or their designates are hereby authorized to sign and execute such Agreement, attached as Schedule 'A', and affix the Corporation Seal thereto.

READ a first and second time this 11th day of January, 2016.

READ a third and final time and passed this of 11th day of January, 2016.



David Nash
MAYOR



Jill Armstrong
CLERK

THIS AGREEMENT made this 11th day of January, 2016.

BETWEEN:

The Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford

And

The Corporation of the
United Counties of Leeds and Grenville
Represented by the Leeds Grenville Paramedic Service

WHEREAS the Municipal Act, 2001 provides authority for municipalities to pass by-laws to enter into agreements with persons or municipalities for the purpose of receiving fire protection services; and

WHEREAS the Corporation of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville have established and organized the Leeds Grenville Paramedic Service to provide ambulance service in Leeds and Grenville as authorized by the Ontario Minister of Health and Long-Term Care; and

WHEREAS the participation of local fire departments in tiered response for medical emergencies is set out in the Schedule "A" - Call Out Procedures, and Schedule "B" Roles and Responsibilities; and

WHEREAS the Leeds Grenville Paramedic Service will provide the established Call Out Procedures for the local fire departments to the Central Ambulance Communication Centre; and

WHEREAS the said Call Out Procedures will endeavor to ensure that the fire department communications center will be notified to allow a timely assignment of fire services as soon as the status of the patient requiring service is confirmed;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is hereby authorized to participate in the Tiered Response Program in partnership with the Leeds Grenville Paramedic Service as set out within the attached, Schedule "A" Call Out Procedures , and Schedule "B" Roles and Responsibilities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Standard Operating Procedures for the Tiered Response Program shall be reviewed annually by the Leeds Grenville Paramedic Chief and affirmed, modified or revoked as required.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford has hereunto set its hand and seal and the United Counties of Leeds Grenville has hereunto affixed its corporate seal attested by the hands of its duly authorized officers as of the date of this Agreement.

DATED THIS 11th OF January, 2016.

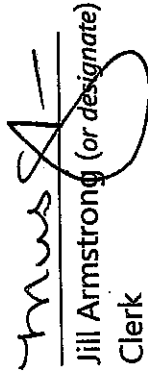
THE CORPORATION OF THE
VILLAGE OF MERRICKVILLE-WOLFORD



David Nash
Mayor

CORPORATION OF THE UNITED
COUNTIES OF LEEDS GRENVILLE

David Gordon
Warden



Jill Armstrong (or designate)
Clerk

Lesley Todd
Clerk

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**Leeds Grenville Paramedic Service
Leeds and Grenville Fire Services
Schedule "A" - Call Out Procedures**

Agreement Between

The United Counties of Leeds and Grenville

And

The Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford

TIERED RESPONSE:

The ultimate goal of "tiered response" for medical emergencies is to provide timely first response resources and skills to out of hospital medical emergencies in situations where there is a high probability of clinical benefit and advantage in the fire department's arrival in advance of Paramedic resources.

TIERED RESPONSE AGREEMENT:

A tiered response will be requested by ambulance dispatch, in conjunction with the response reference chart, for the following emergencies:

1. Vital Signs Absent (VSA)
2. Unconsciousness
3. Airway Compromise (Airway Obstruction, Absence of Breathing)
4. Chest Pain Calls with Paramedic Services, ETA greater than 15 min.
5. All Code 4 (Life Threatening Emergency) calls with Paramedic Services, ETA greater than 30 min.

6. All Motor Vehicle Collisions (MVC's) with Paramedic Services, responding Code

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***NOTES*:**

*These criteria for medical tiered response are in addition to the usual incidents requiring Fire Services response under their fire suppression, rescue and/or Hazardous Materials Spills mandate where CACC notification of fire departments is automatic.

*Once a tiered response has been initiated, it shall only be cancelled if the request for service is cancelled by the call originator and/or Paramedic resource(s) have arrived on scene and made patient contact.

*Fire services will **NOT** be tiered to Long-Term Care Facilities, Correctional Facilities, and Hospitals.

**Leeds Grenville Paramedic Service
Leeds and Grenville Fire Services
Schedule "B" - Roles and Responsibility Agreement –**

The United Counties of Leeds and Grenville

And

The Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford

Written agreements provide a framework for cooperation of emergency services on a local level. The purpose of this agreement is to outline the roles and responsibilities of the Leeds Grenville Paramedic Service and Leeds and Grenville Fire Services.

Participating Fire Service Shall:

- Ensure that all responding personnel have been trained and certified, by a credible agency in valid Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Level C with the defibrillation component annually, or equivalent / superior certification.
- Ensure that all personnel providing patient care have been trained and certified in First Aid every three (3) years.
- Ensure all defibrillators are maintained in accordance to the manufacturer's recommendations

Leeds Grenville Paramedic Service Shall:

- Offer Fire Services first opportunity to purchase surplus/retired / decommissioned ambulances under the present purchase agreement
- Be a central store for all non-disposable medical equipment on a cost recovery basis (offers equipment standardization across Leeds and Grenville and cost savings from bulk purchasing)
- Exchange disposable medical equipment at the scene with the applicable fire service where possible

Terms and Conditions:

All Parties agree that upon request they will provide documentation detailing all emergency response for a given period.
Leeds Grenville Paramedic Service will not financially reimburse local fire services for participating in the agreement; however, it does sponsor a disposable equipment exchange program where certain equipment is replaced at no cost.

Paramedic Supplies, Exchange and Requisition Form is attached as "Appendix A" outlining the disposable equipment inventory. Note: Defibrillator batteries shall form part of the supply requisition list.

Fire emergencies and rescues shall take precedent over requests for medical tiered response notifications and it is recognized that Fire Services may not be able to respond upon notification if occupied with another emergency or for any other reason as determined by their senior on duty fire officer and/or by CACC. No liability shall be incurred by the Fire Service for failing to respond to tiered response request. Each Municipality may tailor the medical tiered response agreement to address specific or unique situations within their municipality. To tailor a medical tiered response agreement, the applicable Fire Chief will notify the Paramedic Chief to arrange discussions.

Dispute / Issue Arbitration:

If issues or concerns arise the Fire Chief and the Paramedic Chief will to try and mitigate the issue or concern. Disputes or issues must be clearly stated in writing and shall include the time, date, location and all parties involved.

Termination:

Written notification must be sent to either party regarding termination giving 90 days' notice. There may be a temporary suspension of the agreement by Leeds Grenville Paramedic Service with regards to health emergencies such as Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) pandemic, or other circumstances.

This agreement will be reviewed upon request of either party.

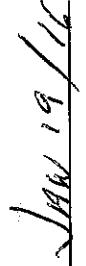
Authorization:

By authorized signature each partner agency agrees to adhere to the criteria as set out within this agreement or a tailored agreement within 60 days.


Paramedic Chief


Date


Fire Chief


Date