

## **CENTRAL YORK FIRE SERVICES**

# **CYFS First Quarter Report 2022**

# **Fire Services Report**

Report Number: JCC-2022-04

To: Joint Council Committee

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#### Recommendations

1. That Fire Services Report JCC-2022-04 CYFS First Quarter Report 2022 dated July 5, 2022, be received; and,

2. That CYFS First Quarter Report 2022 be received for information purposes.

### **Purpose**

This report is to provide the JCC with the First Quarter Operating and Capital results for Central York Fire Services for the period ending March 31, 2022.

## **Background**

See below.

## **Financial Impact**

The net expenditures after additional transfers compared to budget at the end of the first quarter of 2022 was favourable by \$357,601.

#### **Expenditures**

Total expenses were \$700,190 below budget which is mainly due to the following:

#### Wages

Wages and benefits are below budget. The budget includes the hiring of the cohorts for the new fire hall; the eight positions were hired in March 2022 with start dates commencing in April 2022. Wage gapping for these positions for the quarter was transferred to reserve. Wage gapping is anticipated to stop in the second quarter of 2022.

#### Overtime

Overtime is over budget mainly due to the spike in covid-19 cases which resulted in additional coverage required to fill in for those on sick time.

#### **WSIB**

The portion of salaries recovered for employees injured at work, while they receive their full-time wages, is included in Workplace Safety & Insurance Board reimbursements (\$120,418).

#### **Emergency Management**

Emergency Mgmt. materials continue to run over budget due to pandemic-related costs by \$5,381. Pandemic-related expenditures are expected to level out by the end of the second quarter of 2022.

#### **Equipment Repairs and Maintenance**

Equipment Repairs & Maintenance is over budget due to timing. Maintenance, inspection, and repairs for bunker gear, and eDraulic vehicle extrication tools are included in quarter one expenditures. This balance is expected to balance out over the course of the year.

#### Fire Prevention

Fire Prevention expenditures are over budget due to the purchase of Smoke Alarms and Combination Smoke/CO Alarms. This cost was covered by the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation of Canada Grant.

#### **Association Allowance**

The 2021 & 2022 Association allowance was invoiced in 2022.

#### Wellness

The wellness program contract has been awarded and it is expected to start sometime this summer/fall. The expenditures under budget variance of \$36,944 was transferred to the asset replacement reserve. The under-budget variance will continue to be transferred to the asset replacement fund until the commencement of the program.

#### Revenues

Total revenues were lower than budget by \$656 at the end of March.

A fire grant was received from Firehouse Subs for \$21,138 which was used to purchase Smoke Alarms and Combination Smoke/CO Alarms.

The cost recovery program revenues were slightly under budget by \$1,054.

Also included in revenue is the first retainer payment from Whitchurch Stouffville of \$32,500, the final payment will be invoiced in the third quarter. The King City retainer will be invoiced in the third and fourth quarters of 2022.

The majority of the other variances are due to timing.

### **Additional Transfers**

The additional transfers after the net expenditures are summarized in the below chart.

Net Expenditures before additional transfers	699,534
Contribution for Station 4-5, from wage gapping	(304,989)
Additional Asset Replacement Fund contributions, from wellness savings	(36,944)
Net Expenditures after additional transfers	357,601

#### Capital

The total 2022 Capital Budget is \$7,115,400. Expenditures of \$851,852 were incurred in the first three months of 2022. This was mainly for Station 4-5 construction costs of \$708,541.

### Conclusion

At this point, it is not possible to forecast the year-end position. It is however important to note the inflationary pressures that will have an impact in future years as current contracts begin to expire.

#### Consultation

There has been consultation between the Finance staff of both Aurora and Newmarket, as well as Fire Services management.

## **Impact On The Master Fire Plan**

This report is consistent with the budget methodology set out in the Master Fire Plan.

#### **Attachments**

Operating Results for the Three Months ending March 31, 2022

Capital Projects for the Three Months ending March 31, 2022

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