# Municipality of East Ferris Report to Council

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Originator: Frank Loeffen, Fire Chief/CEMC

Subject: Enter an Automatic Aid Agreement with Chisholm Township

#### RECOMMENDATION

 That the Council for the Municipality of East Ferris accept the report from the Fire Chief to enter into an Automatic Aid Agreement with the Township of Chisholm Fire Department to share personnel and tanker support resources to cover areas of shared boundaries between both municipalities.

### BACKGROUND

The availability of volunteers during certain periods of the day/week creates a challenge to provide some of the core services identified in the Establishing and Regulating By-Law of the East Ferris Fire Department. An option to address this is to enter into an Automatic Aid with neighbouring departments.

A review of resources and potential benefits to residents in both communities is to share some resources such as tankers for water supply and personnel for structure fires.

Each municipality would be responsible for their equipment and compensation of their personnel including WSIB.

The agreement is reciprocal between both fire departments meaning no cost exchange.

### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Currently there are no financial implications foreseen.

## **RECOMMENDED OPTION / ANALASIS**

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Respectfully Submitted,

I concur with this report and recommendation,

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