BOARD REPORT

TO: Chair and Directors

SUBJECT: Annis Bay Fire Suppression Service Area Establishment

DESCRIPTION: Report from Darcy Mooney, Manager, Operations Management, dated September 7, 2018. Bylaw to establish a fire suppression service area for eleven properties in the Annis Bay area of Electoral Area E.

RECOMMENDATION: THAT: Bylaw No. 5758 cited as “Annis Bay Fire Suppression Service Area Establishment Bylaw No. 5758” be read a first, second and third time this 21st day of September, 2017.

SHORT SUMMARY: Property owners in the Annis Bay area of Electoral Area E have requested fire suppression coverage for their properties for several years; however due to the complex nature of the shared interest development and proximity to fire halls, providing the service has been historically problematic. The District of Sicamous Council has recently endorsed the Sicamous Fire Department to provide fire suppression to the Annis Bay area through agreement with the CSRD. A public assent process (formal petition) to establish the fire suppression service area for the Annis Bay properties was initiated by the CSRD and received 100% support from the property owners.

VOTING: Unweighted Corporate ☐ LGA Part 14 (Unweighted) ☐ Weighted Corporate ☒ Stakeholder (Weighted) ☐

BACKGROUND:

Owners from Lakemount Recreation Ltd. (Lakemount), a shared interest property located on Bernie Road in the Annis Bay area of Electoral Area E, have been wanting fire protection for their properties for several years. In 2016, an informal petition was submitted to the CSRD from all 45 shares of the Lakemount property, requesting the CSRD conduct a feasibility study to determine the cost for the delivery of fire suppression to the Lakemount properties from either the City of Salmon Arm or the District of Sicamous (Sicamous) through an agreement with the CSRD. Both the City of Salmon Arm and the District of Sicamous expressed interest and a cost proposal. The proposal from the District of Sicamous was more cost effective and the Sicamous Fire Hall is closer to the Annis Bay area for response time than the City of Salmon Arm’s fire hall in Canoe.

Sicamous agreed to provide the service with a condition that all properties serviced by Bernie Road would need to be in the service area, not just the Lakemount property. Response time in the event of a fire emergency is critical and the department did not want to be burdened with making a determination in an emergency call out as to whether a property was actually covered or not. The representatives from Lakemount contacted the owners from the other two properties on Bernie Road (Annis Bay Estates Ltd. and Larue Investments Ltd.) to determine their interest level for fire suppression for their properties.

CSRD staff met with representatives from all three owner groups to review the costs and answer questions related to the service. All three groups were satisfied and expressed their interest for the CSRD to initiate a public assent process. Staff has determined sufficiency and validity of the petition.
and has drafted a service area establishment bylaw which will create the Annis Bay Fire Suppression Service Area.

**POLICY:**

“Annis Bay Fire Suppression Service Area Establishment Bylaw No 5758” will be brought back to the Board for consideration of adoption after approval has been received from the Inspector of Municipalities.

**FINANCIAL:**

The properties within the proposed Annis Bay Fire Suppression Service Area will pay a property value tax based on the cost for the Sicamous Fire Department to provide the service. The 2018 tax requisition rate will be approximately $0.55/$1000 of net taxable value of land and improvements within the service area. The maximum tax requisition limit identified in the bylaw is $1.00/$1000 of net taxable value of land and improvements within the service area.

**KEY ISSUES/CONCEPTS:**

The bylaw will establish the boundary of the service area to include all properties accessed by Bernie Road in the Annis Bay area.

**IMPLEMENTATION:**

If approved, the fire suppression service will commence December 31, 2017.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Upon adoption of the bylaw, correspondence and maps will be sent to the Sicamous Fire Department advising of the new service area. A fire suppression agreement between the District of Sicamous and the CSRD will be drafted for endorsement by both parties. Property owners will also be advised of the bylaw adoption and the effective service date. Both Surrey Fire Dispatch and the 911 dispatch will be advised of the new service. In addition, BC Assessment will be advised of the service for the 2018 assessment roll.

**DESIRED OUTCOMES:**

The Board approve the establishment of the Annis Bay Fire Suppression Service Area and adopt Bylaw No. 5758.

**BOARD’S OPTIONS:**

1. *Endorse the Recommendation.*
2. *Deny the Recommendation.*
3. *Defer.*
4. *Any other action deemed appropriate by the Board.*

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