

# Smoky Lake Region Fire and Rescue Committee

## Year End Summary 2021

# PARTNERS IN PROTECTION (RFRC) Report Card



GOALS	Our Commitments	Our Achievements	Going Forward
<b>1. Documentation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Council Directive-Governance: Policies and Bylaws.</li> <li>■ Agreements: Mutual Aid and Service Agreements.</li> <li>■ Fire Department Operations / Organization:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Standard Operating Procedures / Guidelines</li> <li>▪ Health and Safety Programs or protocols</li> <li>▪ Training Programs</li> <li>▪ Maintenance Program</li> <li>▪ Incident Records - data management and reporting</li> <li>▪ Fire Response Plans</li> <li>▪ Public Education Program</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><b>June 30, 2021 Motion 41-21</b> That the Smoky Lake Region Fire and Rescue Committee acknowledge receipt of the following three proposals dated May 25, 2021 and three Memorandum of Agreements executed by the managing partner: Smoky Lake County, on June 4, 2021, with Transitional Solutions Inc. (TSI) of Edmonton, Alberta, for the purpose of conducting the Smoky Lake Regional Fire Services Review, which is funded by the 2020/21 – Alberta Community Partnership (ACP) Intermunicipal Collaboration Grant; to undertaking the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Smoky Lake Regional Fire Services Review</li> <li>2. Smoky Lake Regional Fire Services Governance Plan</li> <li>3. Smoky Lake Regional Fire Services Master Plan</li> </ol> <p><b>December 9, 2021 Motion 10-21</b> That the Smoky Lake Region Fire and Rescue Committee acknowledge receipt of the Interim Report – Smoky Lake County Governance Business &amp; Implementation Plan dated September 17, 2021, prepared by Transitional Solutions Inc. as Phase II part of the Smoky Lake Regional Fire Services Review; and that each respective municipality review it for comments and feedback to be provided to the Smoky Lake County Fire Chief by <b>January 13, 2022</b>, for the final revisions.</p>	<p><b>Smoky Lake Region Fire and Rescue Committee through a series of Interviews and Consultation provided Transitional Solutions with the required information to conduct the 3 phases of The Smoky Lake Regional Fire Services Review.</b></p> <p><b>Smoky Lake County December 14, 2021 Motion #167-21</b> That Smoky Lake County approve to proceed with Model 1: Intermunicipal Agreement – Contract for Service <b>Village of Waskatenau December 16, 2021 Motion #275-2021:</b> Deputy Mayor Tyson Berlinguette moves that Village of Waskatenau chooses Model 2: Intermunicipal Agreement – Regional Council <b>Village of Vilna December 16, 2021 Motion #245-21:</b> That the Village of Vilna Council recommend to the Regional Fire and Rescue Committee that the “Intermunicipal Agreement Option” <b>Town of Smoky Lake January 10, 2022 Motion #004-2022</b> That Town of Smoky Lake select Model 1: “Intermunicipal Agreement – Contract for Service” <b>Majority decision has approved to proceed with Model 1: Intermunicipal Agreement – Contract for Service.</b></p>
<b>2. Risk Evaluation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Historical Response Data.</li> <li>■ Key Industry.</li> <li>■ Transportation.</li> <li>■ Recruitment and Retention trends.</li> </ul>	<p><b>December 9, 2021 Motion 06-21:</b> That the Smoky Lake Region Fire and Rescue Committee send a letter to the local MLA: Glenn van Dijken (Athabasca-Barrhead-Westlock Constituency), opposing the direction of Fire Commission services in respect to the Fire Safety Code Inspection Accreditation, as it will be a financial burden to municipalities and municipal rate payers; and carbon copy the Minister of Service Alberta: Nate Glubish, as well as the Premier: Jason Kenny.</p>	<p><b>Municipal Affairs Regional Technical Advisors were granted permission to continue providing Fire Safety Code Inspections. No further action required.</b></p> <p><b>SLC Municipal File : 2-79</b></p>
<b>3. Human Resource</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Availability.</li> <li>■ Recruitment / Retention Programs.</li> <li>■ Overall Qualifications of the departments vs. perceived/real level of service.</li> <li>■ Incident reporting procedure.</li> <li>■ Involvement in municipal processes: Bylaw, Budget, meetings.</li> </ul>	<p><b>February 24, 2021 Motion 21-21:</b> That the Smoky Lake Region Fire and Rescue Committee recommend the Fire-Q RVS (Quick Response Vehicle Service) application, which is a system providing volunteer and on-call firefighters with information about who is responding, be incorporated into each respective Fire Department’s Standard Operating Guidelines (SOG) and forward the updated SOGs to a future Smoky Lake Region Fire and Rescue Committee meeting.</p>	<p><b>Smoky Lake, Vilna, and Waskatenau Fire Departments transitioned to using Fire-Q RVS Dispatching Application in conjunction with Regular Radio Dispatching. Fire-Q RVS is queued to be added to Fire Department Standard Operating Guidelines at next (SOG) Review. Fire-Q RVS has enhanced information of POC Firefighter availability on initial dispatch. The application has given fire department officers greater ability to evaluate personnel needs to provide appropriate level of service.</b></p>
<b>4. Apparatus and Equipment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Maintenance Program.</li> <li>■ Relationship between apparatus and equipment and level of service.</li> <li>■ Suitability of assigned function.</li> <li>■ Capital and special operating budget processes.</li> </ul>	<p><b>February 24, 2021 Motion 29-21:</b> That the Smoky Lake Region Fire and Rescue Committee approve action taken by the Smoky Lake County Fire Chief in providing information requested by Mandy Horvath, FCC Community Investment, Farm Credit Canada, in an email dated January 6, 2021, for Smoky Lake Fire Department to receive a \$500.00 donation for the purpose of buying equipment used by first responders and acknowledge the funds will be allocated to ropes and harnesses.</p>	<p><b>The grant was incorporated into the 2021 budget and was used to purchase basic water rescue equipment.</b></p> <p><b>SLC Municipal File: 2-20</b></p>