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## Report to Peterborough Regional Liaison Committee

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**Meeting Date:** June 10, 2021  
**Report Number:** CAO 2021-20  
**Title:** Shared Facility Opportunity – Peterborough County-City Paramedics – Cavan Monaghan  
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**Subject:** CAO 2021-020 - Shared Facility Opportunity – Peterborough County-City Paramedics – Cavan Monaghan

**Recommendation:** That PRLC receive report CAO 2021-20 regarding an opportunity to collaborate on a shared facility with the Township of Cavan Monaghan.

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### Overview

This report is to provide the Peterborough Regional Liaison Committee with information on a possible partnership between the County (Peterborough County-City Paramedics) and Township of Cavan Monaghan with respect to a shared Fire and Paramedics facility in the Millbrook area.

### Background

As part of the Organizational & Service Delivery Review (OSDR) Working Group and sub-committee meetings, County staff were made aware of a possible opportunity to partner with the Township of Cavan Monaghan. The Township has plans underway to construct a new Fire Station and the opportunity to expand the facility to integrate a response post for Peterborough County-City Paramedics came to light.

At its' meeting of January 18<sup>th</sup>, the Township of Cavan Monaghan passed the following resolution:

### Report - Fire-2021-02 Fire Station Design - Station One Replacement

R/18/01/21/09

Moved by: Huntley

Seconded by: Moore

That Council approve Greenview Environmental Management Limited proposal in the amount of \$116,600.00 plus municipal HST in the amount of \$2,052.16, for a total amount of \$118,652.16, to be allocated in the 2021 Capital Budget which requires an additional



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pre-approval of \$34,652.00 to be added to the \$84,000.00 already identified (2020 roll-over) in the 2021 Capital Budget to secure a site location and design for a new Fire Station; and

That Staff be directed to communicate with the County of Peterborough to discuss including ambulance services within the construction of a new fire station.

<b>Recorded</b>	<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>
Huntley	X	
Belch	X	
Graham	X	
Moore	X	
McFadden	X	
<b>Results</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>
		<b>Carried</b>

### **Analysis:**

Peterborough County-City Paramedics conducted a Facilities and Master Resource Plan in 2016. In 2018, the County added the Clonsilla Base in the western side of the City to provide better response to calls in that area. The Clonsilla Base has proven to be our busiest response base and calls continue to grow, especially as we see development to the west of the City and the expansion of the 407. Those full impacts haven't been fully measured yet, as the impacts of COVID-19 have a lot of people working from home and not commuting.

At the present time, a response location in Millbrook would allow us to post a vehicle to respond to those western-most calls. It would allow us to realign our response in the City as well. While at this time a full ambulance base is not required (based on current call quantities), planning for a requirement three to five years down the road could be most prudent.

As Council is aware, paramedic operations are funded by the County/City (48 and 52% respectively of 50% of total costs), with the Province funding 50%. The Province will only fund amortization costs of a County owned/built capital building but will fund their full 50% of an operational lease. As Provincial funding is based on the previous year's expenses, the full Provincial funding of any lease would be recognized the following year. Therefore, the full impact of a lease will be incurred in the first year of the lease agreement.



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As part of the County's OSDR, opportunities to share facilities with Township's has been identified as a priority. It is further intended as part of the OSDR, that the County lead a full facility needs assessment in partnership with the Township to identify other possible shared opportunities. As we have seen in neighbouring Counties, such as Northumberland County, emergency response shared facilities are being built more frequently.

Staff are working closely with the Township regarding site selection as well as building design that would enable future expansion, if required.

### **Financial Implications:**

Staff will be analyzing and assessing potential costs for the design and construction and final lease possibilities with the Township to fully assess this opportunity.

### **Anticipated Impacts on Local and/or First Nations Communities**

The ability to leverage shared facilities opportunities is a strategic initiative identified by the County's Organizational and Service Delivery Review Working OSDR Group and is an opportunity to demonstrate our fiscal responsibilities to our ratepayers.

### **Link to County of Peterborough Strategic Plan Priorities.**

### **To provide high quality services to residents, businesses and Townships.**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Financial Responsibility   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Housing        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Industry & Business        |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Organizational Development |

### **In consultation with:**

Randy Mellow, Chief of Paramedics, Deputy CAO

### **Communication Completed/required:**

None at this time.

### **Attachments**

N/A

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheridan Graham, CAO, Deputy Clerk, Deputy Treasurer



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