
TO: Committee of the Whole **MEETING:** July 10, 2018
FROM: Doug Gardiner **FILE:** 7200 01 DFPS
Fire & Rescue Services Coordinator

SUBJECT: Boundary Expansion – Dashwood Fire Protection Service

RECOMMENDATION

That “Dashwood Fire Protection Service Amendment Bylaw No. 964.06, 2018” be introduced and read three times.

SUMMARY

The Regional District of Nanaimo (RDN) received a request from the developer of Timberlake Road properties in the Corcan/Meadowood area of Electoral Area ‘F’, to have fire protection supplied by the Dashwood Fire Department. The Dashwood Fire Chief and the Dashwood Fire Department Society agreed that if a petition was successful, they would be in favour of servicing the expansion area. The RDN received an adequate number of returned petitions to warrant the expansion of the Dashwood Fire Service Area to include seven additional properties on Timberlake Road. If approved, the subject area will be taxed for the additional service provided by the Dashwood Fire Department.

BACKGROUND

The developer of Timberlake Road properties became aware that there is no fire protection, through communication with Dashwood Fire Department. The Developer of the subject area (Attachment 1) then requested that the properties along Timberlake Road be included in the Dashwood Fire Protection Area. In discussion, with the Dashwood Fire Chief and Society, all were in favour of the expansion. Petitions were sent out to the owners of the 7 subject properties with 4 properties (57%) submitting their petitions for the expansion. The net taxable value of all land and improvements in the proposed service area is \$1,329,000 and the net taxable value of the petitions received (land and improvements) is \$711,000 (53.5%). The required threshold to move forward with the boundary expansion and bylaw amendment is 50 + 1% of net taxable value.

ALTERNATIVES

1. That “Dashwood Fire Protection Service Amendment Bylaw No. 964.06, 2018” be introduced and read three times.
2. Provide alternate direction to staff.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no significant financial or operational implications.

STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS

The strategic plan implications would be for the Dashwood Fire Department to have their members aware of the additional properties they will be responding to, and to familiarize their department with the properties and adapt any training required for emergency response to the subject area. This is in line with the RDN’s strategic priority to focus on service and organizational excellence by viewing our emergency services as core elements of community safety.



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Reviewed by:

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Attachments

1. Subject Area Map
2. Dashwood Fire Protection Service Amendment Bylaw No. 964.06, 2018

Attachment 1 - Subject Area Map

