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# 2019 Business Plan Kersley Fire Protection (1364)

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## Working in partnership with communities, large and small, to make the Cariboo Chilcotin a socially, economically and environmentally desirable region to live, work and play.

#### **Department/Function Services**



The Kersley Volunteer Fire Department, authorized by Bylaw No. 2435 (1990), was established as a function of the Cariboo Regional District in 1986 by means of a referendum assented to by the property owners within the local service area. Kersley Fire Protection is funded by a taxation rate applied against the assessed value of land and improvements within the local service area. The maximum

taxation rate that can be collected is the greater of \$48,000 or \$1.34/\$1,000 of assessed value.

The Kersley Volunteer Fire Department provides fire protection within the fire protection area covered by this service.

The following fire apparatus is registered and licensed as part of this fire protection service:

Engine 11 – 2003 Freightliner, 1100 gallon water capacity with 1025 gpm pump (*replace in 2023*) Engine 12 – 1987 Ford F700, 625 gpm Hale pump, 750 gallon water capacity (*replace in 2019*) Tender 11 – 2009 Kenworth, 2000 gallon water capacity with 500 gpm pump (*replace in 2034*)

As the Electoral Area A Director is the only stakeholder, and the *Local Government Act* requires more than one vote, the entire Board is responsible for the governance of this service.



### **Business Plan Goals, Rationale & Strategies**

#### 2019 Goals

- Goal: Purchase new engine.
  Rationale: Required to maintain FUS certification and reduce mounting repair costs for maintaining existing fleet.
  Strategy: Use capital and lease funds to purchase.
- Goal: Purchase 3 sets of turn out gear.
  Rationale: Requires replacement every ten years, replace a few sets at a time.
  Strategy: Use up to \$8,100.

#### 2020 Goals

- Goal: Purchase 3 sets of turn out gear.
  Rationale: Requires replacement every ten years, replace a few sets at a time.
  Strategy: Use operating funds.
- Goal: Purchase 3 sets of SCBA and 3 replacement cylinders.
  Rationale: New breathing apparatus and replacement cylinders required, replace a few at a time.
  Strategy: Use operating funds.

#### **Significant Issues & Trends**

The new BC Fire Service Training Playbook was introduced by the Office of the Fire Commissioner which set out new training and response standards for all structural firefighting departments in British Columbia. CRD departments have been working to ensure that all of their previous training has been properly documented, as required by the Playbook, and that any shortfalls in training are addressed as quickly as possible. The minimum standard for all CRD volunteer fire departments must be exterior firefighting capacity with standards above that being at the discretion and ability of each department to achieve.

#### **Measuring Previous Years Performance**

Goal: Build capital reserves in anticipation of apparatus purchase.

- Ongoing.

Goal: Sell 1981 Western Star tender.

- Completed.