

FIRE SERVICES AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

**The Local Services Board of Loring - Port Loring & District
Here in after called "The Board"**

and

**The Argyle Volunteer Fire Brigade hereinafter called the Argyle
"Fire Department"**

WHEREAS an agreement has been duly enacted by the parties hereto respectively, pursuant to the provisions of the Northern Services Board Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.L.28, ss.7(7), and Section B5 of the Local Services Board Handbook, to authorize an agreement between the parties relative to the use of certain firefighting equipment and services of the Fire Department within the described area of the Townships of Pringle, East Mills, Wilson, Hardy, McConkey and Blair as defined by the Local Services Boundaries

NOW, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained, it is mutually agreed between the parties hereto, as follows:

1. In this agreement;

(a) " Fire Department " means the Fire Department established and regulated by the Office of the Fire Marshal

(b) " Team Chief " means the Chief of the Fire Department, appointed and approved by the Office of the Fire Marshal and the Argyle Volunteer Fire Brigade.

(c) " Fire Area " means all the area(s) of the Board, as described in Appendix 1, attached to and forming part of this agreement, INCLUDING area(s) that are outside the board boundaries, that contract services from the Board & Fire Department.

(d) " Fire Protection Services " means and includes only the following: as detailed in Appendix 2.

- * Fire suppression and protection
- * Hazardous material incident response
- * Land based search and rescue operations
- * Emergency medical assistance, first-aid/CPR level
- * Vehicle extrication services
- * Fire prevention and public education

FIRE SERVICES AGREEMENT

2. The Fire Department shall supply, except as hereinafter limited or excluded, fire protection services to the Board, in the fire area, as detailed in Appendix 2.
3. The apparatus and personnel of the Fire Department that may respond to occurrences in the fire area will be those items of equipment and apparatus as listed in the Appendix 2A.
4. The fire protection services provided under this agreement shall be authorized for the complete termination of the emergency, including reporting and the Fire Department Chief shall be in charge of all operations including arranging for additional assistance that may be required.
5. The Fire Department shall take all proper measures for prevention, control and extinguishment of fires and for the protection of life and property and shall enforce all regulations respecting fire prevention and exercise the powers and duties imposed on them by the Fire Marshal.
6. Fires or emergencies that may occur within 200 meters along serviceable roads within the fire area, whether they are in the Board area or on Ministry of Transportation Ontario or private property are the responsibility of the Fire Department.

Fires and emergencies that may occur on Provincial Crown Land, within 200 meters of a serviceable road, will be actioned and the Ministry of Natural Resources will be notified as in the agreement as such is established, or if life and/or property is threatened as per decision of the Chief and/or Fire Marshal.

Fires and emergencies that may occur on "Water access only" Private Properties will be actioned on to the best of the Fire Departments ability in accordance with Water Access Contingency Plan. Appendix "2".

7. The Board shall be responsible to establish, through their tax roll a list of residents and their location in the Board area, this listing shall be provided to the Fire Department Oct. 1st of each year.
8. No liability shall attach or accrue to the board by reason of any injury or for damages sustained by the personnel, apparatus or equipment of the Fire Department while engaged in the provision of fire protection services in the fire area.

FIRE SERVICES AGREEMENT

9. The Fire Department shall provide a detailed budget of Expenditures to the Board prior to signing of this agreement.
10. Any funds that are raised by the Fire Department (i.e. Fund-raisers, Donations, Ministry Remittances for services rendered) will remain with the Fire Departments Corporation.
11. In consideration of the fire protection services undertaken by the Fire Department (Appendix 2) and provided in the Board area (Appendix 1), the Board shall pay the Fire Department, the Total yearly fee of **\$ 157,600.00** . The Board will be invoiced on May 1st 2015. Payment will be due on receipt of invoice.
12. Fee's charged by other Mutual Aid contractors or by other Emergency Services Agencies due to the activation of "The Emergency Response Plan" or by catastrophe, will remain the responsibility of the Board and will not be inclusive of the fee's charged by the Fire Department.
13. It will be the Boards responsibility to detail in their budget estimate, the Fire Protection Services costs
14. This agreement shall be in force for a period of one year, commencing the 1st day of October, 2015.
15. This agreement is subject to ratification by the majority of constituents prior to December 1, 2015.

SIGNATURES OF OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVES

LOCAL SERVICES BOARD

ARGYLE VOLUNTEER FIRE BRIGADE

Chairperson [Signature]

President Franklin D. Roosevelt

Director 11/14/94

Director [Signature]

Director Leslie Moore

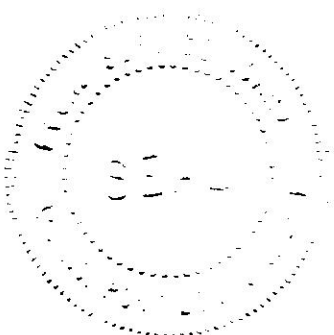
Director _____

Director *[Signature]*

Director _____
Fire Chief _____

Director _____

Seal(s)



FIRE SERVICES AGREEMENT

Appendix 1

Fire Coverage Boundaries

Township	Description
Blair Twsp South	Concession 1, Lots 1 - 35; Con. 2, Lots 2-4 & 6-35; Con 5 & 6, Lots 21 - 35; Con. 7, 8, Lots 25 - 35; Con. 9, Lots 1 - 6; Con. 10, Lots 1 - 10; And Subdivision Plans M272, M302, M314, M317, M350 including all islands and Crown Land making up the balance of Blair Twsp. South
McConkey	Concession 1 - 10 inclusive all lots
Hardy	Concession 1 - 10 inclusive all lots, Concession 11 containing North Shore of Lake Memesagamesing and islands included
Wilson	Entire Township
East Mills	Entire Township
Pringle	Entire Township excluding Concession 13 and 14, Lots 21, 22, 23 and Concession 10 - 14 inclusive, Lots 24 - 35

Motor Vehicle Accident (MVA) coverage extends from Pringle Township through to the Western Boundary of Blair Township

FIRE SERVICES AGREEMENT

Appendix 2

Fire Protection Services

Fire Suppression and Protection

The Fire Department shall take all proper measures for prevention, control and extinguishment of fires and for protection of life and property, to the best of our ability and training and limit of the equipment currently available. All fire fighting activities will be "defensive" and upgraded solely on the discretion of the "Incident Commander" as equipment and manpower arrive on scene.

Except as otherwise stated in items 5 & 6 of the Fire Agreement and with the approval of the Fire Marshal, an agreement with the Ministry of Natural Resources shall be signed. When an agreement is signed with the MNR, it will be attached to and form part of this agreement as Appendix 'B'.

As a member of the Nipissing-Parry Sound Mutual Aid association, and as employees of the Office of the Ontario Fire Marshal, we are obligated to respond and support other emergencies, which may fall outside the present boundaries of the Local Services Board with personnel and/or equipment.

Water Access Properties

At present, and in addition to our own Boat/Motor and Trailer, a Water Access Contingency Plan is established for the Loring Station Jurisdiction only. This plan may be expanded to include properties in the Arnstein and Golden Valley jurisdictions. The residents and businesses in the area provide a Water Taxi service free of charge to the Argyle Fire Department. We are partially dependent on availability of boats from these water taxi providers. Responses will be made and action taken to the best of our ability with consideration to the imposed limitations of the taxi service.

Hazardous Material Incident Response

Presently the Fire Department has had training at the Operations Level N.F.P.A. 472. This allows us to make an initial response to;

- (a) Identify the materials or substances involved
- (b) To take the appropriate action to protect life and property to the best of our ability and capabilities
- (c) Contact the appropriate authorities and/or agencies
- (d) Request a hazardous materials response team, through the Fire Marshal's office
- (e) Co-operate fully and assist as requested with outside authorities and/or agencies

Land Based and Water/Ice Search and Rescue

There is no formal training in this area at present. Our response and actions for this type of incident will be to;

- (a) Contact the appropriate authorities and/or agencies
- (b) Co-operate fully and assist as requested with outside authorities to the best of our abilities

We are neither trained nor equipped to provide; Water/Ice Rescue, Confined or High Angle Rescue, Off Road Snowmobile Rescue or Off Road MVA, or, Fatality Recovery from Water, Ice or remote locations.

Emergency Medical Assistance

Presently over 90% of Fire Department personnel are certified in Basic First Aid and CPR. These capabilities will be utilized for the following;

- (a) All Fire Department responses
- (b) To assist, to the best of our abilities, the Ambulance Service or OPP as requested or needed to protect and save lives (multiple casualties, natural disasters). NOTE: The Argyle FD is NOT a first response unit for medical calls, although it will assist the current Ambulance service when required for multiple calls or lift assists.

FIRE SERVICES AGREEMENT

Appendix 2

Fire Protection Services (continued)

Motor Vehicle Extrication

The Fire Department presently has one basic extrication kit plus one heavy rescue unit.. We will respond to all Motor Vehicle Accidents in our response area as outlined in this Agreements boundary. Additional heavy rescue unit may be dispatched for requested Argyle MVA's, from, Powassan/Trout Creek, Nipissing, or South River, and will be updated as to their need while enroute.

Fire Prevention, Inspections and Education

Inspections will be done through the Office of the Fire Marshal as requested or on a complaint basis in writing. We will not do inspections for insurance companies, but, will endeavor to provide inspections to residents to address their safety concerns.

Public Education and Fire Prevention Programs will be provided to the community as per our obligations under the direction of the Office of the Fire Marshal, and, the requested needs of the community. Samples of such programs provided in the past include, "Fire Prevention Week" through the Argyle Public School, Fire Extinguisher Training, Basic First Aid/CPR Training, 'Alarmed for Life' smoke detector program and Fire Department Open House/Family Days.

FIRE SERVICES AGREEMENT

Appendix 2A

Equipment Apparatus & Staffing

Communications

Emergency Call dispatching is handled through 911 and the North Bay Ambulance Communications and Control Center (CACC). When a call is initiated through 911, the call is forwarded to CACC, CACC then triggers our Micropatch Paging System at Station #1 and alerts responders. In the case of failure of the Micropatch system, CACC is instructed to call key personnel who will then alert phone responders.

Loring Station is the main communications center with incident dispatchers. The primary radio system and telephone are operated during incidents by our own dispatchers to assist in co-ordination of equipment and recording of incident responses.

The Golden Valley Station is equipped with a simplexor repeater to forward initial emergency beeper responses. All communications are limited to topography of the area and some dead zones are currently treated with radio relays to central dispatch.

Presently all emergency vehicles are equipped with mobile radios.

At an incident, we currently have 12 handheld radios for use in co-ordination, safety and tactics.

All fire personnel are equipped with emergency response/announcement pagers.

Equipment

There is basic equipment for the following services;

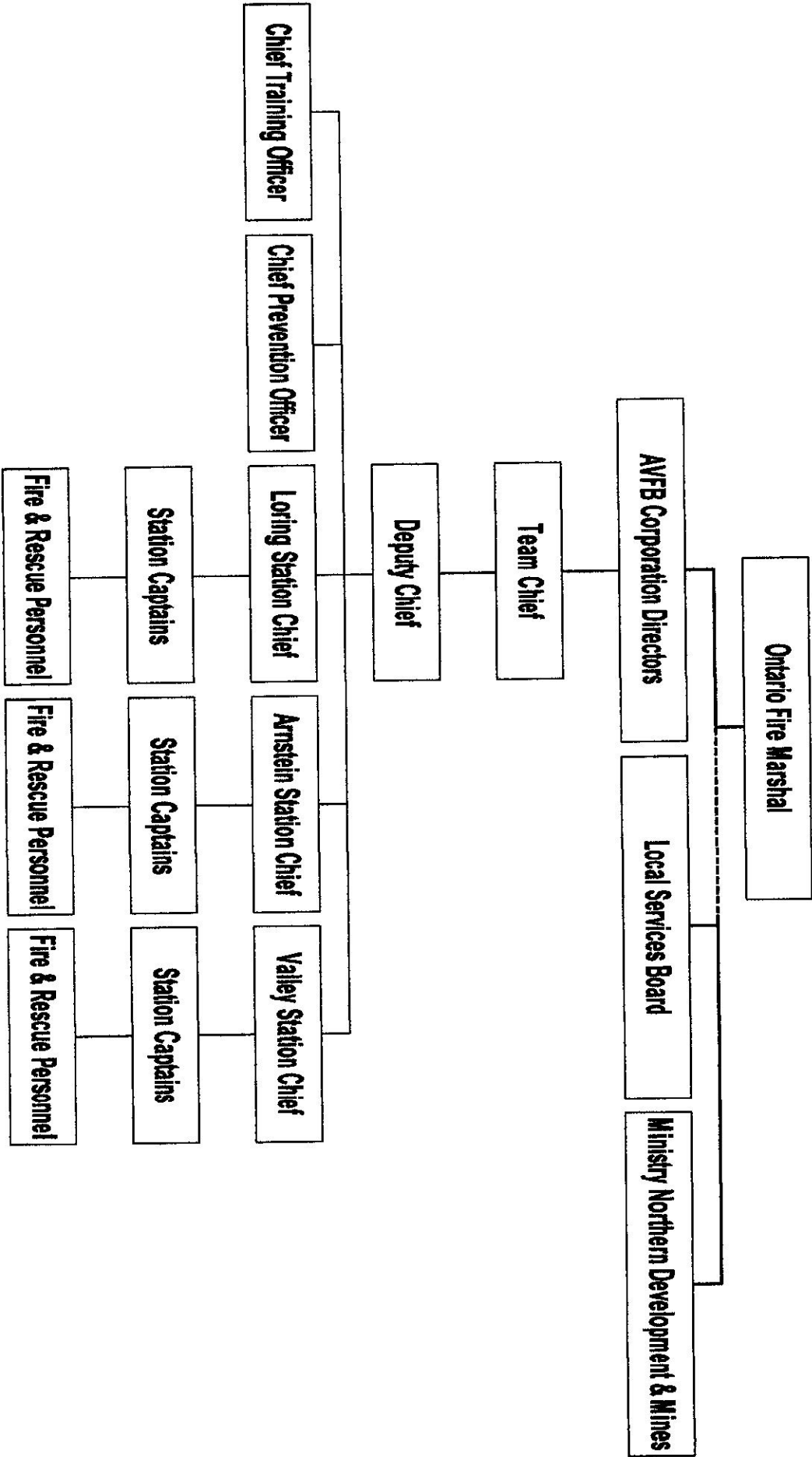
- (a) Fire Suppression and protection
- (b) Hazardous Material Responses (Observation Only)
- (c) MVA Extrication and Rescue
- (d) Basic First Aid and CPR

Apparatus

Loring Station #1	Arnstein Station #2	Valley Station #3
TCP Pumper	TCP Pumper	TCP Pumper
Tanker	Pumper Tanker	Tanker
Rescue Squad Truck		
Boat/Motor/Trailer (summer)	Command Suburban(Floating)	Boat/Motor/Trailer (winter)

FIRE SERVICES AGREEMENT

Hierarchy of Responsibility



FIRE SERVICES AGREEMENT

Dispatch Guidelines

When an Emergency Alarm is received all available fire personnel are dispatched. All equipment and personnel are sent to the incident. As equipment and personnel arrive on the scene, the Incident Commander, will determine the needs and requirements of the situation and return un-needed equipment and personnel to either their stations or to a Stand-by position.

If additional personnel or equipment are required the Incident Commander will notify dispatch to page out or call the appropriate authorities or agencies (i.e. Mutual Aid, Heavy Equipment Extrication, Ontario Hydro, etc.)

In addition, when a Fire call or MVA emergency is dispatched by the CACC, the Ambulance service is also dispatched, when available. CACC may also dispatch the OPP, or if requested by the Incident Commander

Limitations

Personnel

As a strictly volunteer organization our initial capabilities could be limited dependent on, the availability and response time of personnel for an alarm. As working volunteers the time of day and season of the year will influence their ability to respond.

Response Times

The size of the board area, covering nearly six complete townships is approximately 2000 km². Response times will vary dependent on location of the alarm.

Adverse weather conditions may also affect response times and delivery of service capabilities.

Water Access only properties will be affected by response times. In these cases fire protection will be to prevent the spread of fire to other properties or structures that are not currently involved when the Fire Department arrives on the scene.

Equipment Availability

All equipment will be maintained and must pass re-certification on a yearly basis, where applicable. Equipment, from time to time, may be rotated out of service to perform regular maintenance or as per rules and guidelines set out in the Occupational Health and Safety Act, by the Office of the Fire Marshal, or by other Provincial Agencies (i.e. MTO)

Other

All Limitations as presented in the Fire Agreement Package and its Appendixes

