2026-2030 Budget Workshop

Fire Service

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Presentation Outline

The Year in Review so far

2. Future Considerations and Strategic Focus

Areas





2025 Fire Service – The Year in Review *so far*

Successes

- Did you know? The Village collects almost 20% of fire expenditures for protecting an area of Royston
- As of Oct 2025, we have 292 calls and 51% of the call are medical responds
- Standby for deployment during the wildfire season 2025
- We have completed 22 new fire inspections for new business and completed over 100 annual fire inspections. We have over 180 annual fire inspections to do annually.
- New rescue 4 apparatus should be in on time by end of November 2025 and expected to be in service after training and equipment relocation by end of December or early January 2026
- We have 8 in house training for new recruits that have almost completed Exterior firefighting by the end of 2025 or early 2026.
- NG911 Grant for the new CAD system to improve response to accidents and have a better communication between the mutual aid partners in the valley.
- Training ground grant still in progress and should be completed on time for 2025

Challenges

- Inventory of all assets of the fire service due to all the other obligations
- Administration that need to be completed to support operation.
- Remuneration of the firefighter's review



2025 Projects projected to carry forward in 2026

- 1. Training ground (grant)
- 2. CAD systems (grant)
- 3. Replacement of air filter for the exhaust system
- 4. Signage for the Fire Hall



Fire Services – Future Considerations

Focus Area #1 Operation

- Inventory of the fire Service assets (Apparatus and equipment needs)
- Apparatus replacement program in place
- Administration (Policies, Payroll, SOG)
- Planning for deployment during wildfire season to support other communities

Focus Area #2 Training

- Special Training (Slope Rescue, Boat operation, Wildland Fire deployment)
- New technologies and equipment

Focus Area #3 Inspection / Prevention

- Ensuring that the fire service is more engaged with all new development projects in the Village ensuring that the fire service need and review and pass to the contractor before major change need to be done
- Ensuring that the fire prevention program is working (smoke detector inspection, FireSmart inspection)

2026-2030 Proposed Budget Highlights – Fire Service

Quint Ladder Truck deposit (for remaining \$1.7m purchase in 2028)	\$200,000
Annual Turnout Gear replacement	\$15,000
EOC room completion (ceiling and AC)	\$15,000
Equipment replacement for wildfire protection unit	\$5,000
Good neighbour fence	\$20,000



2026-2030 Budget Requests Not Included in Plan – Fire Service

New Fulltime Chief Position (Requested for 2026)	\$118,000/y
Increase to Turnout Gear replacement (Requested for 2026)	\$20,000/y
Rear Parking lot of Fire Hall paving (Requested for 2026)	\$130,000
SCBA Compressor (Requested for 2028 and will need an increase of \$6500/year to reserve contributions until 2035)	\$50,000
Pay on Call Renumeration review (under review and not presented to POC Firefighters)	\$34k-\$58k/yr
Turnout Gear Dryer (Requested for 2026 and recommending Growing Community Funds)	\$15,000
Tender #7 Replacement (Requested for 2029 (deposit) and 2030_deferred to 2030 for deposit)	\$650,000
Unit 9 Replacement (Fire Chief's truck) (requested for 2033)	\$150,000



Quint Fire Apparatus





