Added Item 10.1



NOTICE OF MOTION

Committee Date: June 19, 2013

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR C. COLLINS
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR

Hamilton Beach Rescue Unit - Purchase of Two-Way Radio Equipment

Whereas the Hamilton Beach Rescue Unit (HBRU) has requested access to the Corporate Trunked Radio System for improve communications amongst the unit (i.e. on-water to shore, amongst members, boat-to-boat) and to have the ability to communicate with Hamilton Police Service and the Hamilton Fire Department as required;

And Whereas the HBRU currently utilizes a VHF marine channel as their current method of communicating with other emergency responders;

And Whereas the required equipment is a combination of mobile/base radios to be installed in their boats and some portable radios for their members to use during operations;

And Whereas the new communication system is the same model of radio that is used by the Hamilton Police Service and the Hamilton Fire Department on the corporate radio system;

And Whereas the purchase of the new communication system will provide the HBRU with two channels on their radios. One that provides a private secure communication stream to facilitate the operation of their unit; and the second to be utilized as a common channel to facilitate the interoperability between Hamilton Police (Dispatch/Marine Unit) and Hamilton Fire should the need arise for these groups to communicate directly.

Therefore be it resolved:

- (a) That an amount of \$30,469.42 be approved for the Hamilton Beach Rescue Unit (HBRU) to purchase two-way radio equipment that will allow for improved communications and operational efficiencies within their operations;
- (b) That Hamilton Beach Reserve (Acct. 108037) be utilized as the funding source for the initiative.