

CORPORATE REPORT The Corporation of the Town of Wasaga Beach Meeting Date: 7/17/2025

DATE: 7/2/2025

SUBJECT: 2024 Emergency Management Program Compliance

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REPORT NUMBER: 2025/07/17-15

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** the report titled: 2024 Emergency Management Program Compliance, to the Council meeting of July 17, 2025, be received, for information.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

- The Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act requires municipalities to develop and implement an Emergency Management Program.
- Annually, the municipality submits evidence of program implementation to Emergency Management Ontario.
- On June 30, 2025, Emergency Management Ontario issued a letter indicating that Wasaga Beach had satisfied all thirteen (13) program elements during 2024.

BACKGROUND:

Each year the municipality is required to develop and implement an Emergency Management Program in accordance with the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act (EMCPA).

The Emergency Management Program must include the following key areas:

- Municipal hazard and identification risk assessment;
- Municipal critical infrastructure list;
- Municipal emergency plan;
- Program By-law;
- Annual Review;
- Annual training;
- Annual exercise;
- Public education program;
- An Emergency Operations Center;

- A Community Emergency Management Coordinator;
- An Emergency Management Program Committee;
- A Municipal Emergency Control Group (MECG) and;
- An Emergency Information Officer.

By-law # 2023-99 provides authority to adopt our Emergency Management Program, Emergency Response Plan and to meet our requirements under the EMCPA.

DISCUSSION:

In accordance with the EMCPA, the municipality submitted evidence of program implementation to Emergency Management Ontario (EMO) in December 2024. On June 30, 2025, EMO issued a letter indicating that Wasaga Beach had satisfied all thirteen (13) program elements during 2024.

The staff involved in the program are now actively training and updating emergency plans to ensure compliance will be achieved in 2025.

CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS:

Financial Implications:

There are no financial implications with this report.

Term of Council Priorities:

- 1. Inclusive where we work to enhance the quality of life for all residents so they are happy, healthy and safe;
- 2. Well-Run where we look to build a culture of excellence within Town Hall and deliver exceptional customer service.

CONCLUSION:

In accordance with Councils strategic priorities, the municipalities 2024 Emergency Management Program achieved compliance with EMO.

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Appendices:

Appendix A: Town of Wasaga Beach - Compliance Results - 2024