

# Municipality of East Ferris

## Report to Council

Report No.: 2020-02

Date: August 11, 2020

Originator: Frank Loeffen, Fire Chief/CEMC

Subject: Battery Powered Vehicle Extrication Tools

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### RECOMMENDATION

1. That the Council for the Municipality of East Ferris accepts the recommendation of the Fire Chief and approve the purchase of a set of Battery Powered Extrication Tools from Code4 Fire & Rescue Inc. in the amount of \$39,985.00 plus applicable taxes.

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### BACKGROUND

Extrication tools are used by the emergency service to access and remove patients from motor vehicles after collisions and to gain entry to secured buildings, if needed, during emergencies.

In 2011, Council approved the purchase of a hydraulic set of auto extrication tools to replace the original outdated equipment purchased in 1985. A set of Hurst cutters, spreaders, ram and hydraulic pump was purchased in the amount of \$28,622.90 (taxes included).

In accordance with the Procurement Policies and Procedures By-Law No 2274 for the Municipality of East Ferris, a Formal Request for Quotation of Battery Powered Vehicle Extrication Tools was sent to the following 3 vendors on July 7, 2020: Code4 Fire & Rescue Inc. (Hurst Jaws Of Life); A.J.Stone Company LTD. (Genesis Rescue Systems); and Darch Fire (Holmatro Pentheon). We received a response from each of the vendors by the closing date of July 22, 2020 at 4 pm.

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## FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

A capital budget request to purchase Battery Powered Auto Extrication Tools (spreader, cutter and ram) was presented and approved by Council July 2, 2020 in the amount of \$41,500.

All three vendors met the requirements of the quotation request and provided the following quotations not including taxes, for the 3 approved battery powered tools:

A.J.Stone:	\$38,360.00
Darch Fire:	\$48,745.00
Code4:	\$39,985.00

Code4 also provided a quote on a new line of battery powered extrication tools that are watertight and can operate underwater to a depth of 4 meters (13 feet). The cost is \$44,190.00.

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## RECOMMENDED OPTION


1. Purchase of a set of Hurst Battery Powered Extrication Tools from Code4 Fire & Rescue Inc. in the amount of \$39,985.00 plus applicable taxes.

The Hurst equipment is only \$1,625.00 more than the quoted Genesis tools from A. J. Stone. Our Department is familiar with this company and its products and service since we have dealt with them in the past. The Hurst Battery Powered Extrication Tools are also currently in use by some of our neighbouring departments.

Respectfully Submitted,

I concur with this report and recommendation,

  
Frank Loeffen, Fire Chief

  
Jason Trottier, CAO/Treasurer