## **MEMORANDUM**



**DATE** : October 17, 2017

TO: Mayor and Council

FROM : Fire Chief

**SUBJECT:** Fire Season Deployment Re-imbursement

In 2017 the fire department deployed to Quesnel, Joe Rich, and was on a Task Force standby team for the West Kootenays. We are very lucky to have the highly trained personnel and equipment to provide support for other communities in need. There is an inter-agency agreement in place between the province, BC Forest Service, and FCABC to provide compensation for covering costs related to these deployments.

In previous years we have requested any surplus funds after expenses to be allocated to the fire department for purchasing personal protective equipment, tools, etc. A request was made in 2015 to direct surplus funds toward wildland boots for the volunteer firefighters, as well as provide much needed funding for the fire training facility.

As we continue to develop the fire training facility I would request that all remaining funds (approximately \$11,330) generated from the 2017 wildfire deployment season be directed to the fire training ground account to be used to insulate the burn building fire room.

I would recommend that council approve of as a resolution such as;

Resolved that council approves of the surplus provincial fire season deployment funds after expenses, in the amount of approximately \$11,330, to be applied to

the Volunteer Firefighter Training Facility to contract the work of insulating the burn building fire room.	