



### Policy #33

To Govern the Number of Personnel of the Minden Hills Volunteer Fire Department to Respond to Medical Calls and to Remain at the Scene of Motor Vehicle Accidents

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### Definitions and Interpretation Rules

Wherever a word is used in this Policy with its first letter capitalized, the term is being used as it is defined in this Section. Where any word appears in ordinary case, its regularly applied meaning in the English language is intended. Defined terms may be used throughout this policy in different grammatical contexts.

**“Fire Chief”** shall mean the Fire Chief of the Township of Minden Hills.

**“First Responder”** shall mean someone designated or trained to respond to an emergency.

**“Medical Call”** shall mean a 9-1-1 call requiring a responder to attend to a medical/health emergency.

**“Motor Vehicle Accident”** shall mean a traffic collision when a vehicle collides with another vehicle, pedestrian, animal, road debris or stationary obstruction such as a tree, rock, utility pole, etc.

**“Municipality”** shall mean the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills.

**“Traffic Control”** shall mean techniques and devices, including but not limited to, barricades, detours, cones, flares, road closures, to manage the flow of traffic.

**“Volunteer Fire Fighter”** shall mean a fireman trained to perform fire suppression and other related emergency services on behalf of the Municipality, not a full time employee and receives a stipend, not regular pay.

### Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to govern the number of personnel of the Minden Hills Volunteer Fire Department to respond to Medical Calls and to remain at the scene of Motor Vehicle Accidents.

**General**

The Township of Minden Hills wishes to govern the number of Volunteer Firefighters attending Medical Calls and remaining at the scene of Motor Vehicle Accidents.

**Scope**

This policy shall apply to all Medical Calls and Motor Vehicle Accidents attended to by the Minden Hills Volunteer Fire Department personnel.

**Guiding Principles**

**Medical Calls**

- a) It shall be at the discretion of the Officer in Charge or, in the absence of an Officer, the most senior Volunteer Firefighter in attendance, to determine the personnel who are to attend the Medical Call.
- b) First priority shall be given to the members of the Minden Hills Volunteer Fire Department in attendance who have successfully completed the First Responder Course, with a minimum of two (2) being required to attend.
- c) The responding vehicle shall be No. 5.

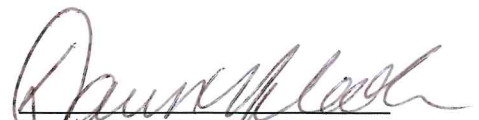
**Motor Vehicle Accidents**

- a) That the maximum number of emergency responders at a Motor Vehicle Accident be at the discretion of the Fire Chief or their designate, dependent on the severity of the accident and further that emergency responders remain on scene to perform traffic control duties until the Ontario Provincial Police no longer require assistance.
- b) For the purposes of traffic control at the scene of Motor Vehicle Accidents, every effort to rotate teams shall be made.

Adopted by Council this 29<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2015.



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