



June 27, 2025

City Council Committee Report

To: Mayor & Council

Fr: Bruce Graham, Risk Management and Loss Prevention Officer

Re: 2025/2026 Municipal Insurance

Recommendation:

That Council hereby accepts the premiums for the Corporation's insurance portfolio for 2025/2026 as:

- Intact Public Entities (IPE) – Comprehensive Municipal Program - \$879,428.00
- VFIS – Paid-per-call Firefighter Income Supplement - \$6,298.00
- CFC – Cyber Liability Insurance - \$46,575.00, plus all applicable taxes; and further

That Council hereby directs Administration to finalize the 2025 Municipal Insurance Programs for the Policy Term July 1, 2025 to July 1, 2026.

Background:

Westland Insurance Group Ltd. successfully negotiated the Corporation's insurance portfolio renewals.

The premiums for 2025/2026 Comprehensive Municipal Program reflect an overall increase of 9.6% (\$76,807) from the 2024/2025 program. This increase is reflective of market conditions, increased coverage, and our claims experience. In general, the municipal insurance market is seeing an increase of approximately 10% in 2025; the Corporation has added two Community Centre buildings to our property schedule; and in 2024 the Corporation submitted two separate claims with a combined value in excess of \$1,000,000.00.

A detailed breakdown of our premium increase is as follows:

General Liability increased by \$8,993.00 from \$149,888.00 to \$158,881.00 (6%)

Errors and Omissions increased by \$709.00 from \$14,185.00 to \$14,894.00

Environmental Liability increased by \$3,330.00 from \$16,652.00 to \$19,982.00 (20%)

Legal Expense increased by \$35.00 from \$1,007.00 to \$1,042.00

Property increased by \$62,503.00 from \$436,765.00 to \$499,268.00 (14%)

Equipment Breakdown increased by \$643.00 from \$11,355 to \$11,998.00

Owned Automobile Transit increased by \$78.00 from \$8,184.00 to \$8,262.00

Our **Excess Auto** saw a combined increase of \$516.00 from \$6,675.00 to \$7,009.00.

The premiums for the VFIS program remain unchanged from the previous term.

The premiums for the Cyber Liability Coverage are about 6.5% lower than the previous term.

Details of the renewal proposals are included in the various renewal packages for Council's review.

Options for Council to Consider:

Council could consider alternative deductible amounts for the 2025/2026 renewal and recognize associated premium savings by considering the following options below:

Coverage Area	Deductible Alternatives	Premium Savings
Property	Increase from \$25,000.00 to \$50,000.00	\$42,376.00
	Increase from \$25,000.00 to \$100,000.00	\$94,173.00
Boiler Protection	Increase from \$25,000.00 to \$50,000.00	\$2,150.00
	Increase from \$25,000.00 to \$100,000.00	\$4,118.00
Liability	Increase from \$25,000.00 to \$50,000.00	\$13,794.00
	Increase from \$25,000.00 to \$100,000.00	\$34,484.00
Errors & Omissions	Increase from \$25,000 to \$50,000.00	\$1,309.00
	Increase from \$25,000.00 to \$100,000.00	\$3,247.00
Environmental	Increase from \$25,000.00 to \$50,000.00	\$1,756.00
	Increase from \$25,000.00 to \$100,000.00	\$4,391.00
	Total potential savings by increasing to \$50,000.00	\$61,385.00
	Total potential savings by increasing to \$100,000.00	\$140,413.00

Budget: The insurance renewal will be applied to the 2025 and 2026 Operating Budgets.

Risk Analysis: The 2025/2026 Comprehensive Municipal Insurance Program supports the Corporations Enterprise Risk Management framework.

Communication Plan/Notice By-law Requirements:

Upon approval by Council, the appropriate renewal of documents will be signed.

Strategic Plan or other Guiding Document:

2022-2027 City of Kenora Strategic Plan

Focus Area: Service Delivery and Organizational Capacity

Goal 4.3 Improve fiscal planning capacity of our administration.

City of Kenora Enterprise Risk Management Strategy.