



Paid on Call Survey

PORT HARDY FIRE DEPARTMENT



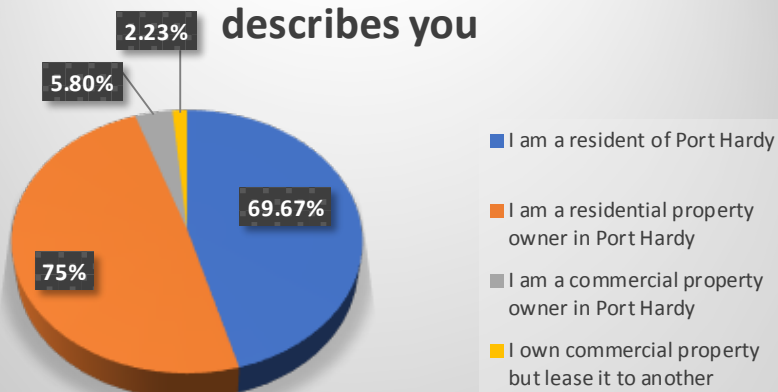
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Background

In March of 2017 Council surveyed the membership of Port Hardy Fire Rescue. 72% indicated that financial compensation would increase their commitment to the Department. A report of the survey can be found online @ www.porthardy.ca and at the Municipal Hall.

Council reviewed a paid-on call system and requested that staff conduct a short survey to see what the tax payer's appetite would be to provide a paid-on call service in Port Hardy, additional to the current \$220,000 operational budget.

Please tell us what situation best describes you

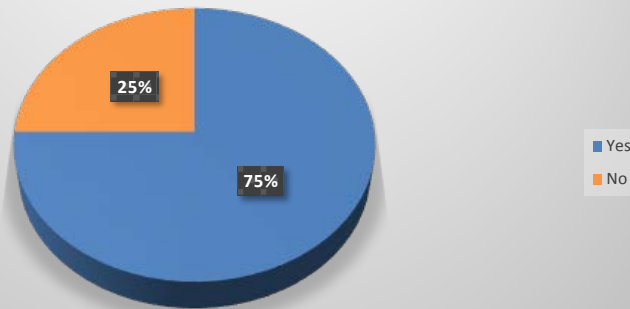


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People took the survey

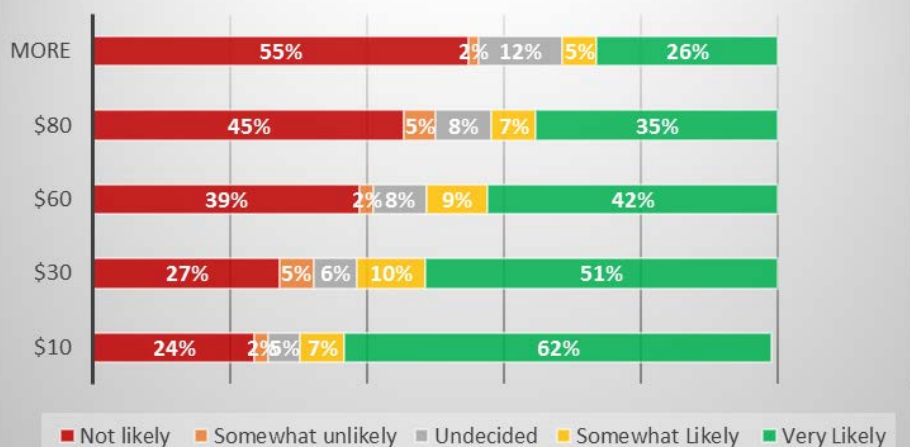
Of the respondents, the majority were residential property owners

Are you in favour of Council considering additional financial compensation for the members of the Port Hardy Volunteer Fire Department?



75%
in favour of providing
financial
compensation to the
Department

Residential Annual Contribution



Residential property owner contribution increase between \$10.00 and \$30.00 annually

Commercial property owner contribution increase between \$55.00 and \$165.00 annually.

SUMMARY

Based on the response from both the Tax Payer Survey and the Fire Member Survey, Council has included in the 2018 Financial Plan a paid-on call model. The annual dollar increase to taxation for this service is \$36,296.00 which equates to a 1.45% tax increase and is equal to \$7.32 per \$100,000 of assessment. The average home assessed at \$180,000 will pay \$13.18 extra annually for this additional service.

The Commercial rate is \$24.14 per \$100,000 of assessment. A business assessed at \$300,000 will pay \$72.42 extra annually for this additional service.

We thank everyone for their input. If you have any questions about this survey, please call Heather Nelson-Smith @250-949-6665 or email general@porthardy.ca