CPS Meeting March 2, 2021

Chasing has been going on for many years even before RFP came out so what has changed now. The difference is that one company has the contract and wants all the towing within the city. It has been an unfair system for many years now since the RFP was changed almost last minute in 2017. City Council states it has nothing to do with the RFP however, this by-law is a direct result of the RFP.

Our company is for a by-law to be in place but with the by-law created it needs to be fair and not continue with the monopoly by one company.

We are for a by-law but it needs amendments for a few reasons:

pricing we have contracts with auto clubs and customers for set fees, how will that work?

**Will the customer have a chance to request a company before the contract holder gets the call? Will the Police still be able to insist on using contract holder even if the customer has a preferred company? It is happening now, where they are not even asked, the Police just call in the contract holder.

What are the requirements for a Police background check?

What are the fees for licensing and will it be per driver, per truck or for the company?

If per company, will the fees be based on the number of trucks or just one overall fee?

What are the requirements for a compound?

Would the Police not have to be on scene to ask drivers if they have made their own towing arrangements?

What if you are called to an accident scene by the owner or driver of the vehicle, two car accident, you arrive on scene but there are already two trucks on site. Would we get a ticket even though we were called to the scene?

What is considered an accident? For instance does going into a ditch but no damage constitute an accident because they have left the roadway?

We have wanted some sort of licensing years ago but nothing got done about it. My question is why should we pay to do Police assisted accident towing within the city limits when they don't call us. We don't tow on behalf of the Police, we tow on behalf of our customers.

We have recovered them off the road, in gravel pits, flipped over and/or on fire with no Police or anyone else on scene. The customer calls us directly.

Recent call a dump truck roll over on the 401 and the OPP called Ross Towing right away without even talking to the trucking company, which is one of our customers.

Once we got the call from our customer we headed right out, Ross was already there. The customer called the OPP and insisted we do the recovery. OPP didn't ask the customer if they had a preference automatically called Ross.

We had the truck uprighted and cleaned up in a timely manner and the road opened again. This happened February 9, 2021.