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November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Deputy Minister Kelliann Dean  
Department of Municipal Affairs  
PO Box 216  
Halifax, NS  
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Dear Deputy Minister Dean,

At the Regular Town Council Meeting held on November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018, a delegation of Volunteer Fire Fighters from the Town of Shelburne and Barrington presented to Town Council regarding a central dispatch system for Fire Stations across the province (excluding the HRM).

The Fire Chiefs expressed how the idea of a central dispatch would help to strengthen the organizational structure for fire calls and provide accurate reliable dispatch to the departments. Ambulatory and police services across the province are provided with professional dispatch services where fire dispatch is currently based on a competitive commercial model.

The Town of Shelburne is grateful for the many volunteers that make up the Shelburne Volunteer Fire Department and would like to support them in opening up discussions around a standard central dispatch to help improve efficiency.

Sincerely,

Karen Mattatall  
Mayor, Town of Shelburne

Cc: all municipal units in NS (excluding HRM)