



TOWNSHIP OF NORTH HURON

REPORT

Item No.

REPORT TO: Reeve Vincent and Members of Council
PREPARED BY: Jeff Molenhuis
DATE: 05/06/2017
SUBJECT: Purchase of One Ton Truck with Dump Box
ATTACHMENTS: NONE

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby approve the purchase of a used 2007 Ford F550 4WD 1-Ton Dump Truck for approximately \$28,500.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Over the past few months of 2017, Staff have been utilizing GovDeals, and have sold approximately \$20,000 worth of equipment that is no longer in use or functional for day to day operations within the Public Works department. An additional \$7,000-\$10,000 is anticipated in excess unit and equipment sales in 2017. At the same time, Staff have also identified the need for different pieces of equipment that would improve operational effectiveness in specific operations areas. One of those units is a 1-Ton Dump Truck, which would be used in the Wingham ward for parking lot clearing during the winter season, and would be used for general maintenance activities throughout North Huron during the remainder of the year. The Wingham ward does not currently have a unit of this type, and there are no suitable excess units to transfer to Wingham for this purpose. This used 2007 unit comes fully equipped with dump box, plow and sander/salt spreader.

DISCUSSION

This truck will be used throughout the year. During the winter months, the truck would be used for the following purposes:

- Plow, sand and salt municipal parking lots.
- Smaller, tighter operational areas that are better suited for smaller broadcast salt and sand application.

Currently staff have been using a large John Deere Loader and the Single Axle Plow to plow and salt/sand after the routes are complete. This single unit will do this all at once, and will allow for better operations in terms of snow clearing and more effective traction material application.

During the non-winter maintenance months, the truck is used for the following purposes:

- Gravel operations.
- Used for garbage collection and yard waste.
- Used on smaller asphalt jobs.
- Used to pull the equipment trailer to work sites/cemeteries.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The direct financial impact will be minimal to the 2017 budget as the equipment and units being sold in 2017 were not considered at budget time. As a result, the \$20,000 in current sales, with anticipated \$7,000-\$10,000 of additional sales will offset the cost of this purchase.

FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS

No future consideration at this time.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal 3 the Township is healthy and safe. Goal 4 the administration is fiscally responsible and strives for operational excellence.



Jeff Molennhuis, Director of Public Works



Sharon Chambers, CAO