



## TOWNSHIP OF NORTH HURON

## REPORT

Item No.

**REPORT TO:** Reeve Vincent and Members of Council  
**PREPARED BY:** Donna White  
**DATE:** 18/09/2017  
**SUBJECT:** OCIF Top Up Application – Mill Street  
**ATTACHMENTS:** N/A

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### **RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby authorizes an application under the OCIF Top Up Application funding for the Mill Street Project in Blyth.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs is accepting proposals for the 2017 intake of OCIF Top-Up Application funding. The Township of North Huron is eligible to apply for up to \$1,462,364.00. The application deadline is Wednesday, September 27, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. Successful applicants must sign and return a contribution agreement by March 15, 2018 and projects must be completed by December 31, 2019. Municipalities may apply for up to 90% of the total project cost to a maximum of their funding cap.

### **DISCUSSION**

This project is considered a Wastewater project and has been submitted previously under several other grant funding programs which were unsuccessful. Therefore, the gas tax allocation has been accumulating and used to complete the outlet in 2015 and Phase 2 on Westmoreland Street has been tendered in 2017 and the work will be completed this fall. This portion begins at #4 Highway and will end part way through the parking lot on Mill Street.

R J Burnside has provided the engineering on this project and staff have requested assistance for the application to update the project pricing since the last estimates in 2014 and provide any new information along with revising the application estimates to exclude the two phases which have/will be completed and therefore not included in the new application.

This project is “shovel-ready” and is a critical project for the Village of Blyth in order to mitigate risk due to undersized storm sewer and allow for future expansion.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

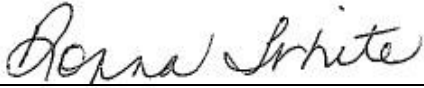
The revised project cost is being completed by R J Burnside and the numbers will be available next week. The percentage of funding requested will be based on the revised costs and council will be updated at the October meeting.

### **FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS**

If the application is successful, the project will be included in the 2018 budget.

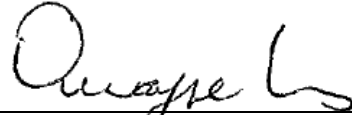
**RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

Goal # 3 – The Township is health and safe. Goal #4 – The Administration is fiscally responsible and strives for operational excellence.

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Donna White, Director of Finance

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Dwayne Evans, CAO