



TOWNSHIP OF NORTH HURON

REPORT

Item No.

REPORT TO: Reeve Vincent and Members of Council
PREPARED BY: Pat Newson, Director of Recreation and Facilities
DATE: 06/06/2016
SUBJECT: Funding Agreement between 14/19 Inc. and Township of North Huron
ATTACHMENTS: Agreement – Final.doc

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby approve the funding agreement between 14/19 Inc. and the Township of North Huron for the funds to renovate Blyth Memorial Community Hall, and that a by-law be approved authorizing the Reeve and the Clerk to sign.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Township of North Huron is responsible for the renovation project for the Blyth Memorial Community Hall. The Fundraising arm of this project is Blyth 14/19 Inc. The proposed agreement details the arrangement for the payment of funds from 14/19 Inc. to the municipality so that the project expenses can be paid as the project unfolds.

DISCUSSION

North Huron, as the owner of the Hall will be responsible for all aspects of the renovation project, including but not limited to, tendering for the project, contracting with and payment of the General Contractor in accordance with the requirements of the contract agreement. With the exception of the funds contributed by North Huron for the project, 14/19 Inc. is funding the project. 14/19 is currently in the process of finalizing arrangements for payment by the Province of Ontario under a Capital Funding Agreement with the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport of Ontario. 14/19 undertakes and agrees that all funds received from the Province that are assigned to this renovation project and all funds raised by it for the renovation project will be paid to North Huron when requested, to be applied towards the cost of the renovation project. This agreement formalizes the details of this arrangement.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The financial impact to the Township of North Huron is \$500,000. The project bids have not yet been received, and the outcome of a grant request is still pending.

- The project budget is estimated at \$3,728,762 however this is not confirmed until the project bids are received.
- The Township has committed to fund the project for \$500,000.
- The Province has committed funding for the project of \$3.3M
- The Township is waiting on the outcome of a grant application to the Canada Cultural Spaces Fund of a request of \$979,907

FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS

The funding agreement provides assurances to the Township in the future, that funds will be paid as the project unfolds, and expenses are incurred.

Staff will continue to keep Council informed as the bids are received, and as new information about the Canada Cultural Spaces Fund is received.

As part of this funding agreement, the Township will receive a copy of the Capital Funding Agreement between the Province of Ontario with the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport of Ontario and Blyth 14/19 Inc.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Our administration is fiscally responsible and strives for operational excellence.

Pat Newson, Director of Recreation and
Facilities

Sharon Chambers, CAO