

TOWNSHIP OF NORTH HURON

REPORT

Item No.

REPORT TO: Reeve Vincent and Members of Council

PREPARED BY: Jeff Molenhuis DATE: 03/10/2016

SUBJECT: Clean Water and Wastewater Fund Application Endorsement

ATTACHMENTS: NONE

RECOMMENDATON:

THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby receive the report Clean Water and Wastewater Fund Application Endorsement Application Endorsement for information;

AND THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby endorse the projects included in the application as Master Water and Wastewater Servicing Plans and Detailed Design of the Wingham Standpipe project.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In mid-September, the Governments of Canada and Ontario announced the intake period for a new funding program called the Clean Water and Wastewater Fund (CWWF) for water, wastewater and stormwater projects. Total available funding is \$840 million from federal and provincial governments, with a proposed split of 50-25-25 from federal, provincial and municipal sources respectively. Projects are required to be completed prior to March 2018. The fund may be eligible to be supplemented by OCIF recipient funds.

Funding allocation is based on a formula system related to proportion of water, wastewater and stormwater infrastructure and local economic conditions. The intake period is intended to capture project information and provide for a short review and approval process. North Huron's eligibility is a maximum federal allocation of \$380,848 and a maximum provincial allocation of \$190,424. The application deadline is October 31, 2016.

The proposed projects are Master Water and Wastewater Servicing Plans for the Wingham and Blyth systems. The Master Plans will incorporate a major infrastructure condition review and short term and long term planning for replacement of major components.(Needs Study) Staff recommend also putting forward the Wingham Standpipe detailed design on the application form as we expect the conclusion of the EA in 2017 to recommend some form of detailed design for whatever the preferred alternative might be. The total funding applied for is:

Federal Contribution: \$160,000 Provincial Contribution: \$80,000 Municipal Contribution: \$80,000

TOTAL: \$320,000

DISCUSSION

As noted, staff are recommending the following two projects:

Master Water and Wastewater Servicing Plans for Wingham and Blyth (\$120,000)

Detailed Design of the Wingham Standpipe (\$200,000)

The project identified for the application is a good candidate to meet the assessment criteria for eligibility, which is focused on:

- Rehabilitation projects;
- New construction projects;
- · Optimization initiatives; and
- Planning and design work.

The objectives of the CWWF is to fund community capital projects that address immediate drinking water, wastewater and stormwater needs fostering economic growth and supporting a cleaner and healthier environment for communities.

The objectives of the CWWF are to:

- Improve reliability of drinking water, wastewater and stormwater systems and meet legislated standards and guidelines;
- Rehabilitate and modernize Ontario's aging infrastructure; and
- Accelerate short-term community infrastructure investments across Ontario

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The total estimated project costs are \$320,000. The breakdown of contribution is as noted:

Federal Contribution: \$160,000 Provincial Contribution: \$80,000 Municipal Contribution: \$80,000

FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS

No future considerations 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 Molenhuis, Director of Public

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Sharon Chambers, CAO