



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: 07/11/2016
SUBJECT: Belgrave Community Centre Paving Capital Improvements
ATTACHMENTS: none

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby approve the parking lot paving project proposed by the Belgrave Community Centre Board, at the Belgrave Community Centre, to include four new parking spaces, which will include three accessible parking spaces on the former 14 Queens Street address;

AND FURTHER THAT the paving and accessible parking line painting will comply with the paving standards and Ontario Accessibility Act standards provided by the North Huron Public Works department and the Recreation and Facilities department;

AND FURTHER THAT \$4,000 of the 14 Queen's Street demolition project budget will be paid to the Belgrave Community Centre Board as a contribution toward the repurposing project of this property.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Township of North Huron leases the Belgrave Community Centre to the Belgrave Community Centre Board. As per the lease agreement, any building capital improvements require prior written consent from the Township of North Huron.

DISCUSSION

In 2015 the Township of North Huron demolished their building located at 14 Queens Street in Belgrave. The property is adjacent to, and shares amenities with the Belgrave Community Centre. The Township lawyers are merging the two properties.

The Township intended to plant grass and provide some trees and shrubs in the space left on the empty lot. The Belgrave Community Centre Board requested an opportunity to take on a project to rejuvenate and potentially repurpose the space to complement the activities at the Belgrave Community Centre. The Township agreed to provide up to \$4,000 toward the project.

The Board has proposed paving a 30'x58' lot adjacent to the parking located to the east of the building. The new paved area would be adjacent and south of the current parking spaces. The objective is to provide additional designated accessible parking spaces. The accessible spaces in the Belgrave Community Centre parking lot are located a distance from the front door and require an uphill sloped climb toward the front doors. The new proposed spaces are closer to the door and level to the front doors.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

As per the lease agreement, the Township of North Huron donates capital funding to the Board. The amount increases annually with COLA. In 2016 the donated amount for Capital improvements was \$11,081.63.

Based on the audited Belgrave Community Centre Board financial statements the board has a balance of \$144,606 at the end of 2015.

The estimate for paving from Art's Landscaping is \$7,320 however this quote will need to be adjusted to account for slightly higher lift of asphalt required and confirmation that all of the paving painting is included in the price. The changes are not anticipated to have a large impact on the quoted price.

FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS

The Belgrave Community Centre Board will need to satisfy the Township of North Huron prior to proceeding with the project with:

- An updated quote from the paving company to include the higher asphalt lift.
- A detailed painting plan for the lot, to be approved by staff, to ensure compliance with the Ontario Accessibility Act.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN

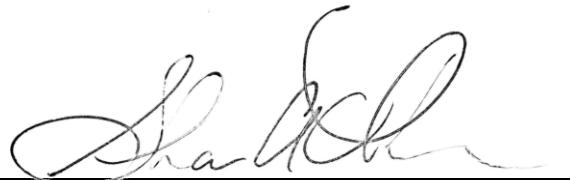
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Our residents are engaged and well informed.

Our administration is fiscally responsible and strives for operational excellence.



Pat Newson, Director of Recreation and Facilities



Sharon Chambers, CAO