

Staff Report

Report To: Council

Report From: Kerri Mighton, Director of Finance/Treasurer

Meeting Date: October 3, 2023

Subject: TAPMO Membership

Recommendations:

That council receive staff report 'TAPMO Membership' for information purposes.

Highlights:

- An inquiry has been received to determine if the municipality is interested in becoming a member of the Top Aggregate Producing Municipalities of Ontario (TAPMO)
- West Grey has not been a member of this organization in the past.
- Membership fees are based on a percentage of the TOARC fees received by the municipality.
- 2023 membership fee would be \$1,600.

Previous Report/Authority:

None.

Analysis:

The Top Aggregate Producing Municipalities of Ontario (TAPMO) has reached out to determine if the Municipality of West Grey is interested in becoming a member. West Grey has not been a member of this organization in the past. Membership fees are based on a percentage of The Ontario Aggregate Resources Corporation (TOARC) fees received by the municipality. From their website, key priorities for TAPMO are the following:

Fair taxation – to ensure that industry pays its fair share of property taxes and municipal taxpayers are not unfairly subsidizing aggregate operations through inaccurate property assessments.

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Greater collaboration – work with industry and government stakeholders to promote programs, policies and regulations that are responsive to the needs of area municipalities.

Fair aggregate levy – ensure a fair aggregate levy is transferred to municipalities to repair roads and provide programs to promote recycling and rehabilitation of abandoned pits and quarries.

Extractive licensing – align community, industry and provincial goals and develop a proactive and positive set of local municipal criteria for extractive rezoning in line with provincial criteria.

Additional information, including current member listing, can be found at www.tapmo.ca.

Financial Implications:

Membership fee of \$1,600 is based on a percentage of TOARC fees received by the municipality from the prior year. No action is required unless council chooses to become a member. Should council wish to take out a membership, a motion directing staff to obtain a membership on behalf of West Grey would be required.

Communication Plan:

Communication of this report is through the posting of council meeting agendas on the Municipality of West Grey website.

Consultation:

Laura Johnston, CAO/Deputy Clerk

Jamie Eckenswiller, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk

Attachments:

None.

Recommended by:

Kerri Mighton, Director of Finance/Treasurer

Submission approved by:

Laura Johnston, Chief Administrative Officer

For more information on this report, please contact Kerri Mighton, Director of Finance/Treasurer at kmighton@westgrey.com or 519-369-2200 ext. 223.

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