



Staff Report

Report To: Council
Report From: Geoff Aitken, CET, Director, Infrastructure and Public Works
Meeting Date: October 15, 2024
Subject: IPW-2024-35 – Winter Maintenance Agreement – Grey Road 27

Recommendations:

THAT in consideration of staff report 'IPW-2024-35 – Winter Maintenance Agreement – Grey Road 27', council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to execute a five-year winter maintenance agreement with the County of Grey for the maintenance of Grey Road 27.

Highlights:

- The current winter maintenance agreement expired April 30, 2024.
- The winter maintenance agreement is for West Grey to provide winter control from November 15 to April 1.
- Winter control services include patrolling, plowing, and sanding/salting. West Grey will invoice Grey County a lump sum of \$6,844.79 for the 2024/2025 winter maintenance season plus an additional two percent for each subsequent winter maintenance season up to the end of the 2028/29 winter maintenance season.

Previous Report/Authority:

None.

Analysis:

The current winter maintenance agreement from 2021 with the County of Grey for West Grey to provide winter control on Grey Road 27, locally called Durham Road West, expired April 30, 2024. The County has provided a subsequent agreement for West Grey to continue to provide winter control with an annual lump sum payment from the County to West Grey. The agreement would cover winter control beginning with the 2024/25 season up to and including the 2028/29 season. The winter control season is

generally November 15 to April 1 with both the County and West Grey having procedures if winter control is required before November 15 and/or after April 1.

The primary responsibilities identified in the agreement for West Grey are patrolling, plowing, and sanding/salting. The primary responsibilities identified in the agreement for the County are snow removal, snow blowing, cleaning of ditches, curbs, gutters, catch basins, and storm drains. This is the current practice between the County and West Grey with staff reporting that the agreement works well.

Financial Implications:

For the 2024/25 winter control season, West Grey will invoice the County of Grey \$6,844.79 with annual two percent increases for the duration of the agreement. This is consistent with the previous agreement and is reasonable for the small section of road (0.425 km) covered by the agreement. This source of revenue will continue to be included in the operations budget.

Communication Plan:

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

Consultation:

County of Grey

Supervisor, Urban Operations

Durham Patrol, Operator

Director of Finance/Treasurer

Attachments:

West Grey Winter Maintenance Agreement 2024 - Final

Recommended by:

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Submission approved by:

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