



## Staff Report

**Report Title: Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO) Funding 2023**

**Prepared By: Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer**

**Department: CAO**

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### **Attachments:**

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### **Recommendation:**

That the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives Report Number CAO2023-01-03 prepared by Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer and in so doing confirms that the Community Well Being Reserve Fund that was established by By-law 2015-09 is active and Further authorizes the Chief Administrative Officer to execute any agreements in relation to the Resources to Support Engagement of Interested Communities, Community Well Being & the Early Investment in Education Skills Program.

### **Background:**

In 2015 the Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO) began providing financial assistance for the establishment of a Community Well-Being Reserve Fund in acknowledgement of our community's contribution to the implementation of Canada's plan for the safe, long-term management of used nuclear fuel. We received the following:

2015 - \$400,000

2017 - \$200,000

2018 - \$300,000

2019 - \$300,000

### **Discussion:**

During the Nuclear Waste Management Primary Significant Neighbouring Community Working Group meeting this week, NWMO has committed to providing Community Well Being funds in the amount of \$150,000 for 2023 & 2024. They will be included in the updated work plan and budget description in the 2023 funding agreement.

NWMO is requesting that Huron-Kinloss acknowledge that the Community Well Being Reserve fund set up in previous years is still in good standing, or that a new reserve fund is established for the purpose of holding Community Well Being funds until such time that they are allocated. A reserve fund was established in 2015 and is currently active.

We will bring back a report at the budget meeting on recommendations for the disbursement of these monies.

We would like to bring to Committee's attention a [news release](#) from the City of Dryden who is also considered a Primary Significant Neighbouring Community.

**Financial Impacts:**

Included in the report.

**Strategic Alignment / Link:**

The information provided in this report is consistent with and in keeping with the Municipality's Vision & Mission. The recommendations contribute to the goals in achieving a prosperous community and an accessible community. Projects in this report assist staff in achieving the following projects in the 2019-2023 Strategic Plan

Action Plan: P2.4 Continue to learn about the NWMO DGR Project.

**Respectfully Submitted By:**

Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer

**Report Approved By:**

Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer