

The Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss

Staff Report

Report Title: Water-Wastewater November 2024

Date: Nov. 4, 2024 Report Number: PW-2024-11-47

Department: Public Works File Number: C11 PW 24

Prepared By: John Yungblut, Director of Public Works Attachments: Monthly Water/Wastewater Summary

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report PW2024-11-47 prepared by John Yungblut, Director of Public Works.

Background:

Monthly Summary

Our Operating Authority, Veolia Water Canada, has prepared a summary of the water and wastewater operations over the past month and is attached to this report.

Water and Wastewater Operations RFP

On May 6, 2024, the Committee of the Whole directed staff to initiate the Request for Proposal (RFP) process for the procurement of water and wastewater services effective Jan. 1, 2025. Our current contract with Veolia Canada expires on Dec. 31, 2024.

The RFP states that the contractor is to begin the transition process on Dec. 16, 2024 and will assume full duties as Operating Authority effective Jan. 1, 2025.

The RFP was issued on Oct. 1, 2024 and was sent to potential proponents. The deadline for proposal submission was Oct. 30, 2024. Two proposals were received.

Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

Water and Wastewater Operations RFP

Township staff are in the process of evaluating the proposals and we are expecting to have a recommendation to present to Council on Nov. 18, 2024.

We are still discussing the transition process if Veolia is not selected as the Preferred Proponent. Veolia has committed to providing service after Dec. 31st if required, but they aren't willing to agree to a short term contract extension. What the service will look like and at what cost is still being discussed.

Township staff are planning to have a contractor in place by Jan. 1st, but having a contingency plan is important for ensuring there is no impact to our services.

Financial Impacts:

The cost of preparing the RFP documents is covered by the 2024 Operating Budget. The cost of the new water and wastewater contract will be included in the 2025 Operating Budget.

Performance Measurement:

The new contract will require that a series of reports are submitted to Township staff to track the performance and condition of our water and wastewater assets.

Strategic Area:

□ Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle□ Enhance Municipal Service Delivery□ Ensure Financial Stability

Strategic Goal: Manage assets and infrastructure

Respectfully Submitted By:

John Yungblut, Director of Public Works

Report Approved By:

Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer