



The Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss

Staff Report

Report Title: 2025 Kinloss Gravel Pit Farm Lease Agreement

Date: Mar. 3, 2025

Report Number: PW-2025-09

Department: Public Works

File Number: C11 PW 25

Prepared By: John Yungblut, Director of Public Works

Attachments: Gravel Pit Map

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives Report PW-2025-09 prepared by John Yungblut, Director of Public Works;

AND FURTHER authorizes the renewal of a farm lease agreement with Gerald Murray for the rental of pasture lands within the Kinloss Gravel Pit for a five year term;

AND FURTHER authorizes the appropriate by-law coming forward.

Background:

The Township leases the pasture lands located in the centre of the Kinloss Gravel Pit for the purpose of raising cattle (see attached map). The reason we lease this land is because there is not any aggregate in this area that is worth extracting for our purposes. The approximate area included in this agreement is 24 hectares (60 acres).

The previous agreement with Mr. Murray expired on Dec. 31, 2024 and included an annual rental fee of \$1,600 plus HST and an annual deposit of \$2,000. The deposit will be returned when the lands are revitalized.

The new agreement will include an annual payment \$2,000 along with an annual deposit of \$2,000.

Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

The Township has been satisfied with how Mr. Murray has maintained the property during the previous lease agreements, and he has been willing to address any concerns raised by Township staff.

Staff recommend renewing this agreement for another five year term.

Financial Impacts:

Revenue generated from this agreement is incorporated into general operating revenues.

Performance Measurement:

N/A

Strategic Area:

- Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle
- Prepare for Inclusive Growth
- Enhance Municipal Service Delivery
- Ensure Financial Stability

Strategic Goal: Protect, promote and restore our natural environment

Respectfully Submitted By:

John Yungblut, Director of Public Works

Report Approved By:

Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer