



Staff Report

Report Title: Nuclear Waste Advisory Committee

Prepared By: Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer

Department: CAO

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C00 NWCAC

Attachments: n/a

Recommendation:

That the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby approves Report No. CAO-2021-02-7 prepared by Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer and in so doing authorizes a by-law be brought forward dissolving the Nuclear Waste Community Advisory Committee.

Background:

Council adopted By-law 2013-43 on May 22, 2013 establishing the Nuclear Waste Community Advisory Committee (NWCAC) the mandate of the Committee is as follows:

1. To engage, educate and listen to the community of Huron-Kinloss regarding The Nuclear Waste Management Organization's (NWMO) Site Selection Process.
2. To gather technical and social research and information related to the NWMO's Site Selection Process.
3. To provide advice to Council regarding the NWMO's Site Selection Process and Adaptive Phased Management.
4. In addition to items 1, 2, 3 outlined above the Committee Members shall:
 - a. be a positive catalyst for the community as it applies to learning more about the Deep Geological Repository (DGR) in Huron-Kinloss;
 - b. act as one body and speak as one body;
 - c. work with NWMO representatives to make recommendations for preparation for a clear plan of action;
 - d. interact with other associations and interest groups;
 - e. identify, discuss and explore issues relating to the establishment of a long term nuclear waste storage facility and make recommendations to Council based on findings; and,

f. assist with hiring of the consultant for the third party review process.

Discussion:

In January 2020, the NWMO announced they had secured the sufficient amount of land in Municipality of South Bruce to continue studies for the DGR. This announcement meant that the Township of Huron-Kinloss was removed from the site-selection process and no longer considered a host community for the project.

In recent discussions with the NWMO Partnership Working Group and the Mayor & Deputy Mayor we are recommending that the NWCAC be dissolved.

We would like to thank the Committee members for their commitment and hard work over the past seven years.

Financial Impacts:

None at this time

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

Approved By:

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