



Staff Report

Report Title: Lucknow Utility Pole Ownership Transfer

Prepared By: John Yungblut, Director of Public Works

Department: Public Works

Date: Oct. 18, 2021

Report Number: PW-2021-10-84

File Number: T01 LIG 21

Attachments: Draft Agreement

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Council hereby approves Report Number PW-2021-10-84, prepared by John Yungblut, Director of Public Works AND approves to transfer ownership of two (2) municipally owned utility poles located on Havelock St. to Westario Power Inc. AND FURTHER authorizes the appropriate By-Law coming forward on tonight's agenda.

Background:

Westario Power Inc. has expressed an interest in transferring the ownership of two streetlight poles that were installed by Public Works at the junction of Havelock St. and Havelock St. N in Lucknow in 2019. At that time, there were no existing hydro poles in this area, so three new poles were installed in order to enhance public safety through the curves in the roadway in this area.

Westario have been approached by a customer that required hydro servicing in this area of Lucknow and utilizing two municipally owned poles is the preferred solution for extending the existing hydro servicing.

Discussion:

This is a "win-win" scenario where Westario is able to use poles that have already been installed and the Township will no longer be responsible for the maintenance and eventually replacement of these two poles. Under this agreement, the Township will be responsible for the maintenance of the streetlights, which is standard for all Township streetlights that have been installed on Westario or Hydro One poles.

Financial Impacts:

There are no financial impacts associated with this report.

Strategic Alignment / Link:

We are an accessible community that offers opportunities for everyone by having amenities and services nearby and being open and transparent.

Respectfully Submitted By:

John Yungblut, Director of Public Works, C.E.T.

Approved By:

Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer