



Staff Report

Report Title: Ripley Snow Storage RFQ

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Department: Public Works

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Report Number: PW-2020-09-59

File Number: P250, P350 Reports

Attachments: 93-A Huron Street drawing

Recommendation:

That the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby approves Report Number PW2020-09-59 prepared by John Yungblut, Director of Public Works AND approves the quotation from Bill & Tom Kempton Construction Ltd. in the amount of \$30,780.00 plus HST for the construction of a snow storage facility and various improvements at the Ripley Elevated Tank site, AND FURTHER authorizes the appropriate by-laws come forward.

Background:

The proposed Ripley Outdoor Plaza that is to be constructed at the southeast corner of Huron Street and Jessie Street in the community of Ripley will greatly reduce the amount of snow that can be stored at that location as it has for several years. The proposed site, located at 93-A Huron Street (see attached drawing), will provide a stable surface to store snow that is removed from parking lanes and sidewalks in downtown Ripley.

The site improvements at the Ripley Elevated Tank (ET) includes the construction of an access road to the new wells that is required for future maintenance and addressing a minor ponding issue on the site.

This contract also includes the cleaning out of vegetation and excess soil from the drainage ditch along the south side of the former Canadian National Railway (CNR) property. This ditch provides drainage for the Ripley ET in addition to a portion of Queen Street and MacDonald Street.

Discussion:

RFQ PW2020-08-24 closed on August 24, 2020 with one bid received from Bill & Tom Kempton Construction Ltd. This contract consists of three parts that breakdown as follows:

Description	Amount (not incl. HST)
Part 1 – Snow Storage Facility	\$16,870.00
Part 2 – Ripley ET Site Work	\$10,160.00
Part 3 – Former CNR Ditching	\$3,750.00

This contractor has extensive experience in this type of work and Township staff recommend awarding this contract.

Financial Impacts:

The 2020 Capital Budget included \$8,000 for the construction of a snow storage facility. The size of the area to be constructed is larger than included in the original design, however, the work will be paid for on a unit price basis, so there should be some cost savings. It is unlikely that all the excavation and granular material included in the bid will be necessary, therefore, this project will probably be completed much closer to the budgeted amount.

The Ripley ET site work will be funded through the 2020 Capital Budget which allocated \$10,000 for finishing this project and the 2020 Operating Budget allocated \$27,150 for ditching work along Township roads.

Strategic Alignment / Link:

We are a prosperous community that continues to grow in a sustainable manner by investing in infrastructure.

Respectfully Submitted By:

John Yungblut, Director of Public Works

Approved By:

Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer